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International credit mobility; Virtual exchanges; Erasmus Mundus action

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University of Donja Gorica

2025 call open
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International credit mobility

ICM in brief

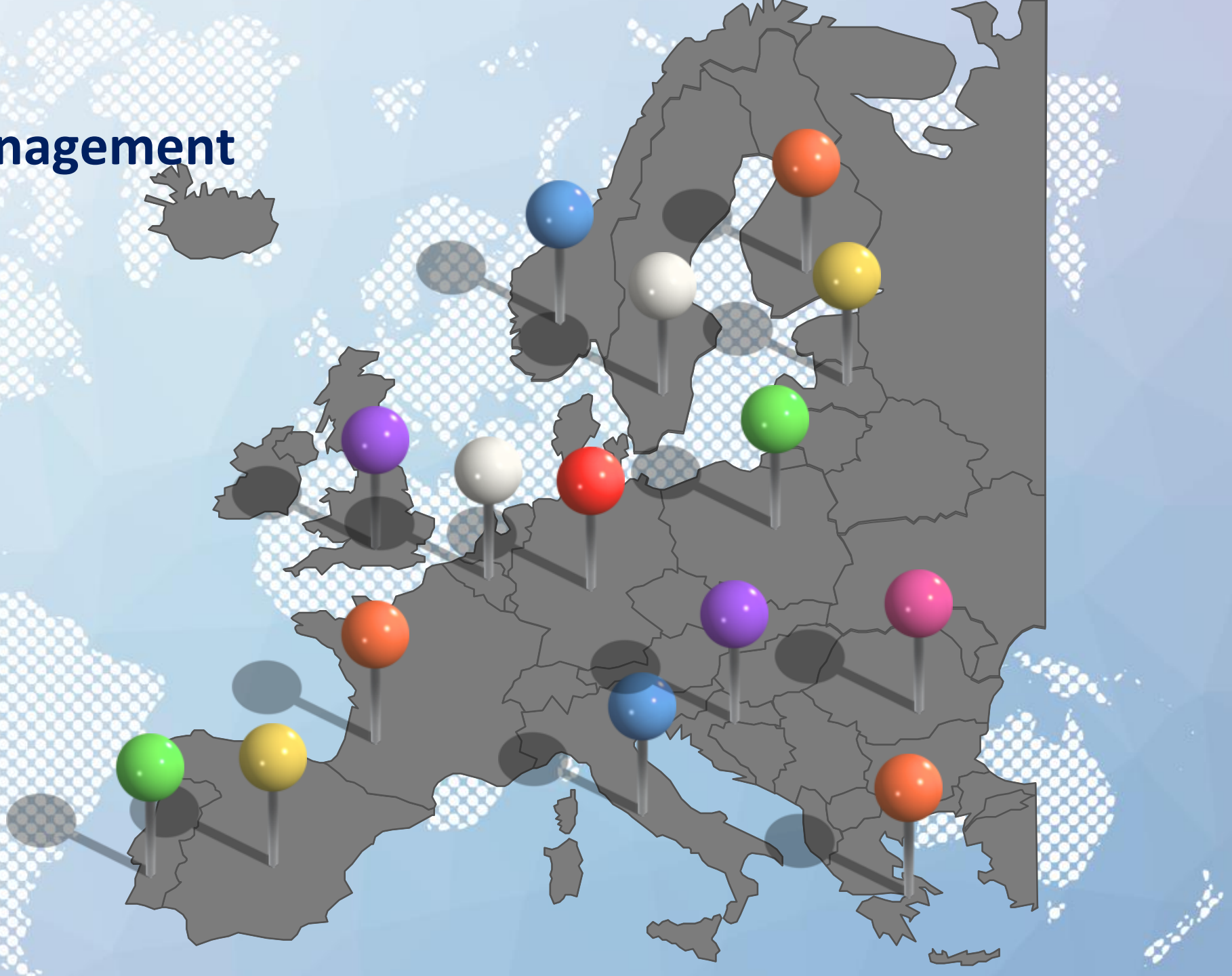
- **Short-term higher education mobility**
- **For students and PhD candidates (2-12 months) & staff (5-60 days)**
- As from mid-2018, traineeships within a company are also possible, from 2 to 12 months
- **All levels: BA, MA, PhD; academic & administrative staff**
- **Generous grant... and no tuition fees!**

Decentralised management

EU Member

State/Third

country HEI






How does ICM work?

- HEIs from EU Member State/third country associated to the programme apply for mobility grant
- Duration of project: 24 or 36 months
- Student mobility for studies and/or traineeship
- Staff mobility for teaching and/or training
- Deadline for application: **February 19, 2025 at 12:00 (Brussels time)**
- Apply to National Agency in EU Member State/third country associated to the programme

**EU Member
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associated HEI**

**Third country
not
associated
HEI**



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Key Action 1
– Mobility for learners and staff –
Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

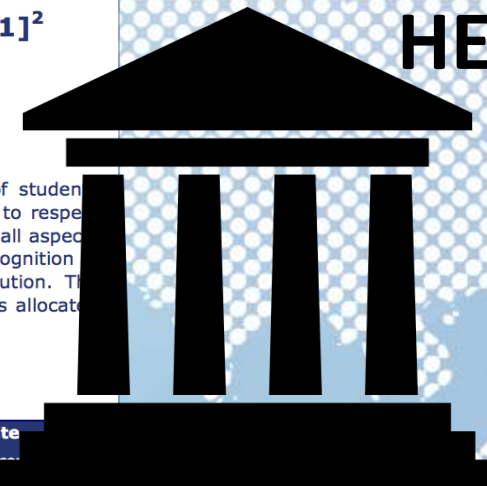
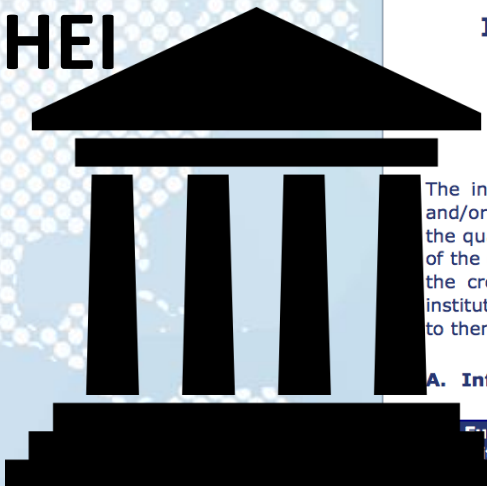
Inter-institutional¹ agreement 2014-20[21]²
between institutions from
Programme and Partner Countries³

[Minimum requirements]⁴

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects of the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits (or equivalent) awarded to students by the partner institution. The institutions also commit to sound and transparent management of funds allocated to them through Erasmus+.

A. Information about higher education institutions

Full name of the institution / country	Erasmus code or city ⁵	Contact details ⁶ (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the national catalog)
[...]			



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**Learning Agreement
Student Mobility for Studies**

Higher Education:
Learning Agreement form
Student's name
Academic Year 20.../20...

Student	Last name(s)	First name(s)	Date of birth	Nationality ¹	Sex (M/F)	Study cycle ²	Field of education ³

Sending Institution	Name	Faculty/Department	Erasmus code ⁴ (if applicable)	Address	Country	Contact person name ⁵ ; email; phone

Receiving Institution	Name	Faculty/ Department	Erasmus code (if applicable)	Address	Country	Contact person name; email; phone

Before the mobility

Study Programme at the Receiving Institution

Planned period of the mobility: from [month/year] to [month/year]

Table A Before the mobility	Component ⁶ code (if any)	Component title at the Receiving Institution (as indicated in the course catalogue ⁷)	Semester [e.g. autumn/spring; term]	Number of ECTS credits (or equivalent) ⁸ to be awarded by the Receiving Institution upon successful completion
	Total: ...			

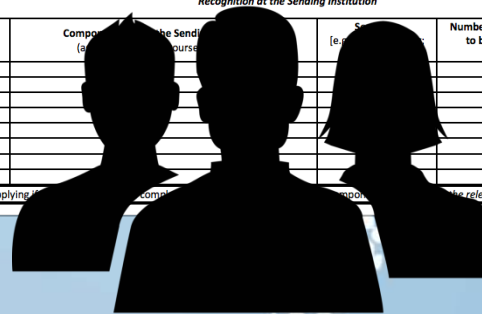
Web link to the course catalogue at the Receiving Institution describing the learning outcomes: [web link to the relevant information]

The level of language competence⁹ in [indicate here the main language of instruction] that the student already has or agrees to acquire by the start of the study period is: A1 A2 B1 B2 C1 C2 Native speaker

Recognition at the Sending Institution

Table B Before the mobility	Component code (if any)	Component title at the Sending Institution (as indicated in the course catalogue)	Semester	Number of ECTS credits (or equivalent) to be recognised by the Sending Institution
	Total: ...			

Provisions applying to the mobility: [provide relevant information]



Participant



Organisational support

EUR 400 per participant

Special needs support

Up to 100%, well justified



Inclusion support

EUR 700-900/month for students and
EUR 140-180/day for staff



Contribution to travel costs

EUR 20-1500, depending on distance
travelled



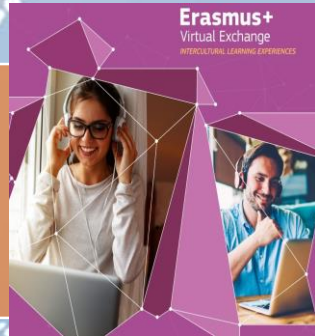
Virtual Exchanges

What are virtual exchanges?

Online people-to-people activities that **promote intercultural dialogue and soft skills development**. They make it possible for every young person to access high-quality international and cross-cultural education (both formal and non-formal) without physical mobility.

They take place in **small groups** and are always moderated by a **trained facilitator**.

They should be easily **integrated into youth (non-formal education) projects or higher education courses**.





Specific objectives

- Encouraging **intercultural dialogue** with third countries not associated to the programme and **increasing tolerance** through online people-to-people interactions
- Promoting various types of virtual exchanges, allowing more young people to **benefit from intercultural and international experience**
- Enhancing **critical thinking and media literacy**, particularly in the use of internet and social media
- Fostering the **digital and soft skills development** of students, young people and youth workers
- Promoting **citizenship and the common values of freedom, tolerance and nondiscrimination** through education
- Strengthening the **youth dimension** in the relations of the EU with third countries not associated to the programme



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Eligibility criteria: what must partnerships look like?

A minimum of 2 higher education institutions from 2 or more different EU Member States/third countries associated to the programme



A minimum of 2 higher education institutions from 2 or more different third countries not associated to the programme *within the same Erasmus+ region*

Or

A minimum of 2 youth organizations from 2 or more different EU Member States/third countries associated to the programme



A minimum of 2 youth organizations from 2 or more different third countries not associated to the programme *within the same Erasmus+ region*

Note: the number of organisations from EU Member States/Third countries associated to the programme may not be higher than the number of organisations from Third countries not associated to the programme.

Timetable and budget



Deadline:

29 April 2025
at 17:00
(Brussels
time)

Max EU grant
per project:
500.000 EUR





Erasmus Mundus action

Erasmus Mundus 2021-2027

Erasmus Mundus Action

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

(EMJM)

Erasmus Mundus Design Measures

(EMDM)

Erasmus Mundus action fostering multidisciplinary approach

- Erasmus Mundus action as a tool for developing Multidisciplinary curricula
- Multidisciplinary study programmes = EMJM programmes (**High-level integrated & transnational** study programmes at **MA level**)
- **EMDM** - a great opportunity for developing EMJM programmes enhancing multidisciplinary approach



EMJM in brief...

- ✓ A **high-level integrated & transnational** study programme at **MA level**
- ✓ A Master programme of **excellence open to all disciplines**
- ✓ Delivered by an **international consortium** of HEIs from different countries **worldwide** & other educational and/or non educational partners (a **consortium of at least three HEIs from three different countries of which at least two must be EU Member States/third countries associated to the programme**)
- ✓ Offering **high-level scholarships** to excellent students worldwide
- ✓ **Joint degree or multiple degrees**
- ✓ **Grant agreement - 74 months - at least 4 master editions** lasting **1 to 2 academic years (60, 90 or 120 ECTS)**
- ✓ **Start of the 1st edition no later than the academic year following the year of project selection**
- ✓ **At least 2 study periods in 2 countries** (of which at least one in an EU MS or a 3rd country associated to the programme, both different from the country of residence of students)

EMJM – main objectives

- ✓ **Support quality, innovation, excellence, internationalisation** of HEIs through academic cooperation within the EHEA and beyond
- ✓ **Increase quality and attractiveness** of the EHEA
- ✓ **Support EU External Action** in higher education
- ✓ **Increase synergies between HE, innovation and research**
- ✓ **Improve competences, skills, employability** of Master graduates
- ✓ **Respond to societal and labour market needs**

Erasmus Mundus Masters at a glance...

- More than 535 Master programmes
- More than 610 different HEIs from 33 EU Member States/Third countries associated to the programme
- More than 24,500 students worldwide

Montenegro:

- 2 EMJM programmes
- More than 70 students in EMJM

Taking part as an Organisation

- ✓ Open to any public and private organisations in EU Member States/third countries associated & non-associated to the Erasmus+ programme
- ✓ Applications can be submitted by **any eligible EU Member State, third country associated & non-associated HEI**
 - ✓ EU Member State & Third country associated HEIs: **valid ECHE**
- ✓ Third country non-associated HEIs: **should commit to ECHE principles** in the Partnership Agreement
- ✓ EU Member States, Third countries associated & non-associated HEIs: **completed accreditation/evaluation of the master programme**

Minimum consortium: **3 HEIs from 3 different countries** of which at least 2 different EU Member States and/or third countries associated to the programme
+ optional

Other full academic or non-academic partners

Associated partners

Taking part as an individual

✓ **Open to students worldwide**

Applicants:

- ✓ must hold a **first higher education degree** or equivalent
- ✓ must not **have benefited previously** from an EMJM scholarship

The best ones can benefit from a scholarship depending on the number of scholarships available

Students apply directly to the EMJM consortium

Catalogue with ongoing EMJMs offering scholarships:

<https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/scholarships>



EMJM Award Criteria

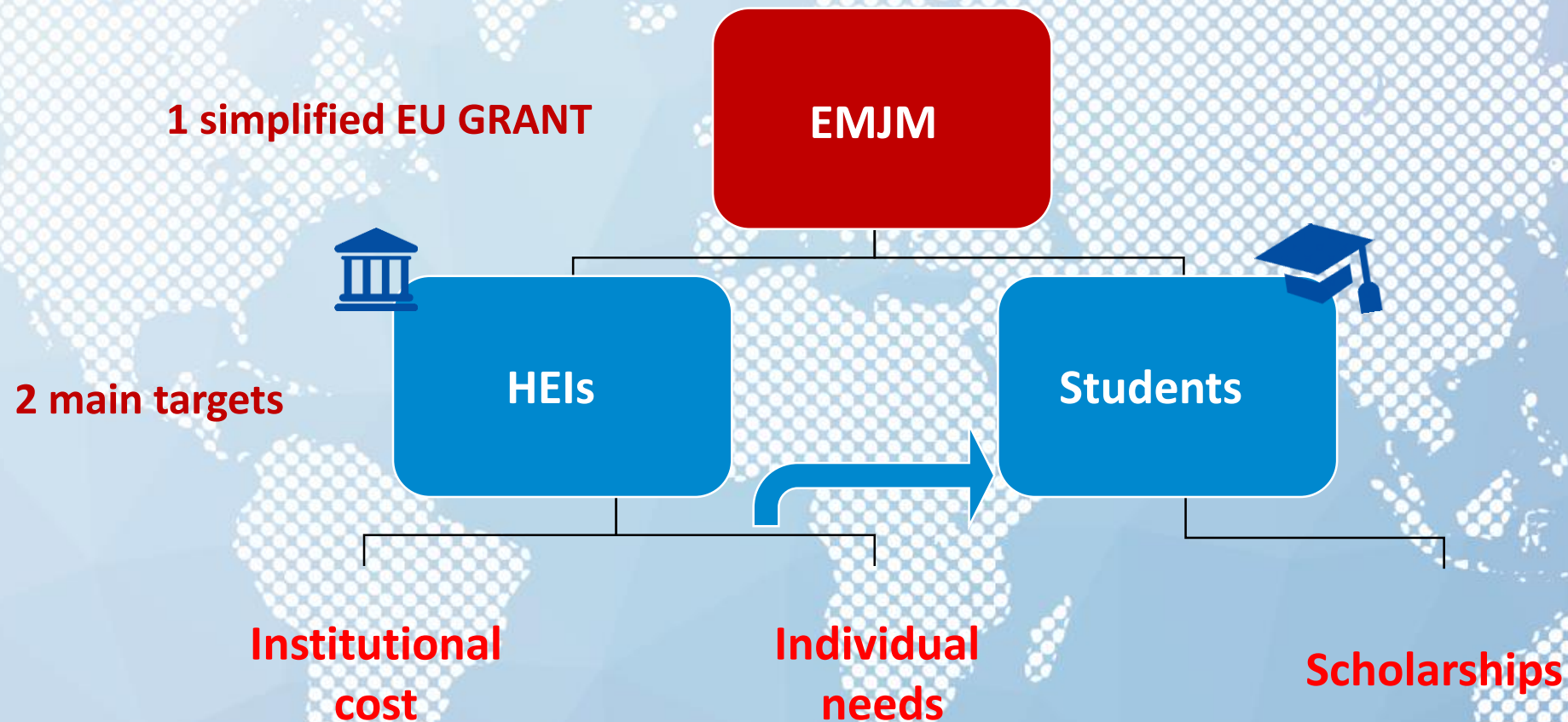
Relevance of the project (max 30 points)

Quality of the project design and implementation (max 30 points)

Quality of the partnership and the cooperation arrangements (max 20 points)

Impact (max 20 points)

EMJM FUNDING RULES



Additional funds for students from targeted regions of the world



NEW

- The applicants may apply for additional funds for students from third countries not associated to the programme from the following regions:
 - Regions **1**, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 financed by the EU's external action instruments - max. amount provided: EUR 1,032,000 per grant
 - Region 1 (Western Balkans) – Particular focus will be on scholarships in the fields of **climate change, environment and energy, digital technologies, engineering, sustainable growth and jobs**

Interested in Erasmus Mundus but not yet ready for an EMJM?



Start with an Erasmus Mundus Design Measure and launch the basis for a joint programme

Rationale behind EMDM lot and EMDM Set-up

- ✓ Filling the gap of the Erasmus Mundus Action by supporting the **development of new master programmes**
- ✓ Diversify the offer of Joint Master Programmes and encourage new academic cooperation by involving EU member states and third countries associated to the programme, institutions, and/or thematic areas to produce **innovative joint international masters**
- ✓ **Fixed duration of 15 months**
- ✓ EU Grant: single **lump sum contribution of 60.000 EUR** (for costs linked to the activities necessary to set up the new joint master programme)

Taking part as an Organisation

- ✓ Applications can be submitted by **any eligible EU Member State/third country associated to the Erasmus+ programme**
- ✓ Open to **any public and private organisations** in EU Member State/third country associated & non-associated to the Erasmus+ programme
- ✓ HEIs established in EU Member State/third country associated to the programme must hold a valid **Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE)**



NEW

Expected outcomes of an EMDM



Offer a **fully integrated curriculum delivered by a consortium** (involving at least three HEIs from three different countries, of which at least one from a EU Member State or third country associated to the programme **and one from a third country not associated to the Programme**)



Aim at **attracting excellent students** worldwide



Include compulsory **physical mobility** for all recruited students



Lead to either a **Joint degree** or **multiple degrees**

EMDM Award Criteria

Relevance of the project (max 30 points)

Quality of the project design and implementation (max 25 points)

Quality of the partnership and cooperation arrangements (max 25 points)

Impact (max 20 points)

EMJM and EMDM Call for proposals 2025 deadline&budget

February 13, 2025 - 17:00:00 (Brussels time)

Budget for EMJM ~ 127m EUR ~34 projects ~Number of
scholarships per project: max. 50 + max. 20 additional
scholarships for students from 9 target regions

Budget for EMDM - ~ 3m EUR ~50 projects



Information

- ✓ Erasmus+ Programme guide
- ✓ EMJM and EMDM Calls for proposals
- Funding & tender opportunities portal
<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>



Other information sources

- ✓ Statistical factsheets on Erasmus Mundus 2014-2020 achievements
- ✓ Report “Implementing Joint Degrees in the Erasmus Mundus action of the Erasmus+ programme”
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/sites/resources/implementing-joint-degrees-in-erasmus-mundus-action-erasmus-programme_en
- ✓ EMJMD Cluster meeting 2018: European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes and follow-up event "Implementing the European Approach for Quality Assurance for EMJMDs":
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/events/erasmus-mundus-joint-master-degrees-06-2019_en
 - ✓ Policy paper: "EMJMDs - The story so far"
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/sites/eacea-site/files/2_policy_paper_on_joint_degrees.pdf
 - ✓ Sustainability of Erasmus Mundus Master Courses - Best practice guide
 - <https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/sites/eacea-site/files/sustainabilitysurvey2017.pdf>

Thank you for your attention!

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