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Funding Opportunities for Teaching Projects

**- by type of planned project and by
partner country**





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Funding Opportunities for Curricula-Development Projects



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- I. ERASMUS+**
- II. APPEAR (Capacity Building)**
- III. AKTION (Austria-Slovakia/ - Hungary / - Czech Republic)**
- IV. For Doctorates: HORIZON EUROPE (MSCA)**
 - a) Doctoral Networks**
 - b) Industrial Doctorates**
 - c) Joint Doctorates**



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I. ERASMUS - Definitions

■ Programme countries:

- **27 EU member states** incl. overseas territories
- **EFTA-countries** (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway – special status for Switzerland)
- **Turkey, Republic of Northern Macedonia, Serbia**

■ Partner countries:

- All countries other than the programme countries
- Different participation eligibility, depending on Erasmus+ programme action
- The United Kingdom is considered a partner country for the 2021-2027 programme cycle.



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I) Curricula-Development in ERASMUS+

Incl. mobility of students and teaching mobility
(depending on project goal)

Increasing the attractiveness of the European Education Area

1. Co-operation Partnerships

2. Innovation alliances:

Cooperation with the private sector → Innovation (Large-scale projects)

a. Alliances for Education and Enterprises

b. Alliances for Sectoral Cooperation

3. Capacity Building

4. ERASMUS MUNDUS Master programmes (EMJM)



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I) 1) Co-operation Partnerships:

Objective: Development of products and outcomes

(e.g. curricula, teaching materials, IT tools,
open educational resources, analyses, studies,
peer-learning methods, further training offers for teachers and students etc.)

► Quality /capacity improvement within the consortium + beyond

Projects must address either at least 1 horizontal (H) and/or 1 specific (S) priority:

- H: Environmental sustainability; inclusion + diversity; digital dimension
- S: innovative teaching + study formats, women + MINT, further training...

Consortium: 3 institutions from at least 3 Programme Countries (max. 10)

Partner Countries can only be involved if their participation brings
essential added value to the project

Duration of project: between 12 and 36 months

Budget: min. 120.000, max. 400.000 €

Application deadline: 5 March 2024, noon, at National Agency (OeAD)

More Information:

<https://erasmusplus.at/de/hochschulbildung/kooperationspartnerschaften>

I) 2a) Alliances for Education and Enterprises



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Objective: Innovation in tertiary education, vocational training, promoting business and economy.

Activities: e.g. development of new curricula, modules, innovative teaching and learning methods etc. with involvement of the private sector (co-creation of knowledge);

* development of IT products/ specific software tools, which can be used both in universities and, if possible, also in companies

* stimulating a sense of initiative and entrepreneurial attitudes, corporate social responsibility (equity, inclusion, environmental protection...)

Consortium: Min. of 8 partners from at least 4 Programme Countries; including at least 3 respectively from private sector and educational sector (min. 1 HE institution + min. 1 VET) – application can also be submitted by Partner Country!

Duration of project: 2 - 3 years

Budget: 1 – 1,5 Mio.€

Application deadline: 7.March 2024; 17.00 (Brussels time), via EU-Portal

More Information: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/part-b/key-action-2/alliances-innovation>

I) 2b) Alliances for Sectoral Cooperation



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Objective: Knowledge exchange between HEIs + companies

Alignment of the knowledge and skills of graduates to those required on the labour market;

Promoting specific skills for a particular sector of the economy.

► BOKU-relevant priorities in this call are e.g. agri-food sector, renewable energy, tourism, social economy and civil engineering

Activities: Developing standards for competences

Development, implementation and dissemination of curricula with VET-providers

Consortium: at least 12 participants from at least 8 Programme Countries; including at least 5 respectively from the private sector and educational sector (min. 1 HEI + min. 1 VET); application can be submitted by Partner Country

Duration of the project: 4 years

Budget: max. 4 mil €

Application deadline: 7 March 2024; 17:00 (Brussels time), via EU-Portal

More Information: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/part-b/key-action-2/alliances-innovation>

I) 3) Capacity Building



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Objective: Capacity development in Partner Countries

Activities

- **Strand 1: Fostering access to cooperation in Higher Education**
(For “newcomer” HEIs or fostering of inclusion)
- **Strand 2: Partnership for transformation**
(Modernisation of HEIs, curricula, learning methods; Participation of enterprises = possible)
- **Strand 3: Structural reform**, participation of national authorities = compulsory) **projects**
(for the HESystem in the Partner country)

In every project: mobility of students and staff = possible

ATTENTION: priorities for Strand 1 + 2 and for different countries exist!

Consortium: min. 1 HEI of 2 different programme countries and min. 2 HEIs per partner country – ATTENTION: several additional rules – see programme guide!

Duration of the project: 2 – 3 years in Strand 1 + 2; 3 – 4 years in Strand 3

Budget: between 200.000 € and 1 Mio €, according to Strand and project duration

Application deadline: 8.2.2024, 17 o'clock, via EU Portal

More Information: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/part-b/key-action-2/capacity-building-higher-education>

I) 4) ERASMUS MUNDUS Joint Master (EMJM)



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Objective: Promoting the attractiveness of the European higher education area

Activities: Joint/double or multiple degree master's programme

At least 2 study periods in 2 countries (min. 1 Programme Country)

Consortium: at least 3 degree-awarding universities from 3 different countries, of which at least 2 Programme Countries; application from Partner Country possible

Duration of project: 6 years (at least 4 cohorts)

Budget: max. 5.174.400 € (institutional costs – max. 1.800.000 €, scholarships – max. 2.016.000 €, special needs-max.120.000€); additional scholarships – max. 1.238.400 €

Application deadline: 15.2.2024; 17:00 (Brussels time), via EU-Portal

More information <https://erasmusplus.at/de/hochschulbildung/erasmus-mundus/>

II. APPEAR (Capacity Building)

Objective / Activities:

Academic partnerships for capacity building, education und research, preparatory funding and PhD-scholarships in ADA's priority countries



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Consortium: at least 1 Austrian university und at least 1 from an „APPEAR-Country“; Application possible from both countries

Programme Instruments	Duration	Budget
Preparatory Funding	up to 4 months	Max. 15.000 €
Academic Partnership	up to 4 years	Partnerships of 2 institutions: 50.000 – 90.000 € per year,
Advanced Academic Partnership	up to 3 years	more than 2 institutions: 50.000 – 130.000 € / year
Extended Impact Institutional Partnership	up to 2 years	
Extended Impact External Partnership	up to 3 years	

Application deadline: in Spring 2024, submitted to the APPEAR office / OeAD

More information: <https://appear.at>

III. “Aktion” Austria – Slovakia/-Hungary /-Czech Republic



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Objective / Activities:

SK: Co-Tutelle-Doctorates; joint seminars / summer schools

CZ + HU: development of Double Degree Programmes,
seminars, summer schools, workshops, dissertation networks

Consortium: at least 1 Austrian university and 1 university from Partner country,
Application must be submitted in both countries

Duration of project: 12 – 36 months

Budget: Lump sums for travel + accommodation expenses; personnel, material and
organisational costs to be justified;

Application deadline:

SK: 15 March, 15 May, 15 October

CZ: 15 April, 15 September und 30 November

HU: 15 March, 15 May und 30 October

More information:

SK: <http://www.aktion.saia.sk/de/main/projekte-der-aktion/>

CZ: <https://www.dzs.cz/de/program/aktion-oesterreich-tschechische-republik/projekte-und-foerderung>

HU: <http://omaa.hu/de/projektantrage-de/>

IV) Horizon Europe - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) – Doctoral Networks



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Objective / Activities:

Networks for exchange of Early Stage Researchers (ESR);

It is possible to either develop an

"Industrial Doctorate" (doctorate with at least 50% compulsory research within a company) or a

"Joint Doctorate" (joint doctorate in several universities leading to a joint, double or multiple degree).

Consortium: at least 3 institutions from at least 3 EU-27 / associated countries,
Ideally: 6 – 10 „beneficiaries“ (academic + non-academic institutions)

Each „beneficiary“ has to supervise at least 1 ESR on site

Duration of project: up to 4 years (ESR-mobility duration between 3 and 36 months)

Budget: Depending on the number of "person months" (PM) for mobilities,
lump sums for host institution + ESR

Application deadline: in November 2024, via EU-Portal

More information: https://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/actions/research-networks_en



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Funding Opportunities for “other” Teaching Projects





Funding for „other“ teaching projects

I. Intensive programmes / Summer schools:

- With Hungary / Slovakia / Czech Republic: Aktion
- In ERASMUS+ as „Blended Intensive Programmes“ or part of other E+ projects (see slides on ERASMUS+)
- With a focus on EU topics: Jean Monnet Module

II. E-Learning / OER:

- E+ virtual Exchange or part of other E+ Projects (see slides on E+)

III. Development of single modules

- see slides on ERASMUS+
- With a focus in EU topics: Jean Monnet Module
- With Hungary / Slovakia / Czech Republic: Aktion



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Ad I) Blended Intensive Programmes (BIP) in ERASMUS+

- At least 3 institutions from 3 different Programme countries
- At least 5, up to 30 days mobility on site + virtual mobility
- At least 3 ECTS in total; At least 15, up to 20 participants
- Participants = students (incl. doctorate) + staff (from Programme countries only)
- Lecturers can be staff from companies
- Partner country-participation possible at own expense
- Application within the scope of the E+ mobility application by BOKU-IR
 - ▶ Submit BIP-plans by the beginning of January of the year at the latest to erasmus@boku.ac.at
- Further information: <https://short.boku.ac.at/int-coop-lehreprojekte-bips-e>

Ad I and III: Jean Monnet - Module:



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Objective: Module with European (EU-) topics – at least 40 hours per academic year

Part of an accredited curriculum, especially in studies with little reference to EU Topics

Consortium: at least 1 university, regardless of whether from ERASMUS+ Programme- or Partner Country

Budget + Duration of project: up to 30 000 EUR for 3 years (=max. 75% of total costs)

Application deadline: 1 February 2024, 17:00 Brussels time, via EU-Portal

More Information: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/programme-guide/part-b/jean-monnet-actions/higher-education>

Ad II: ERASMUS+ Virtual Exchange:



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Objective: Online activities to promote intercultural dialogue and the development of soft skills for people aged 13 - 30 years old to access high quality international and cross-cultural (both formal and non-formal) education without physical mobility.

Consortium: min. 4 Institutions; mind. 2 from 2 Programme countries and min. 2 from 2 partner countries of the same region

Budget: max. 500.000 € (in case of 2500 online-participants over the whole project duration, i.e. appx. 200€/participant); =max. 95% of total costs; i.e. 5% Co-funding)

Duration of project: 36 Months

Application deadline: 25.April 2024, 17 Uhr Brussels time, EU-Portal

Further Information:

<https://erasmusplus.at/de/hochschulbildung/erasmus-virtual-exchange>



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1) General information about the project application

- **Read all guidelines carefully and thoroughly!**
(also review existing projects) → Choose the right “programme”
- **Combine competencies, build synergies** (Put together network according to necessary WP tasks, possibly contacts through BOKU-IR / EU-database)
- **Coherence of the application** (problem definition, solutions, target groups, activities, budget, goals, resources, competencies)
- **Simple and clear** (needs analysis, “state of the art”, solution and results)
- **Coordinate activities well** (who does what, when and for how long with which resources)
- **Explicit description; clearly defined problem solving** (do not implement all priorities in one application, but solve a specific problem).
- **Better to wait a year and submit a good project proposal than to “just try it out”**



II. 1) General information

Accurately address each “award criteria”!

1. Relevance
2. Quality of the work programme
3. Innovative character
4. Quality of the consortium
5. European added value
6. Cost-benefit ratio
7. Importance
8. Quality of the dissemination and exploitation plan
9. Involvement of organisations from non-EU countries (if possible)



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Other funding opportunities for mobility

- Funding of the **federal states** (Tyrol, Vorarlberg, Carinthia, Upper Austria, Salzburg, Lower Austria)
- www.grants.at/en/
- **BOKU-IR International Newsletter**
- or use the possibility of individual consulting at BOKU-IR!