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# The Erasmus + programme and the African, Caribbean and Pacific countries



Erasmus+

Erasmus+ is the European Union's programme for education, training, youth and sport. Each year the programme selects new projects under a call for proposals. The 2018 Call for Proposals was launched on 25 October 2017, with deadlines in 2018. Higher education institutions and individuals from ACP countries are able to take part in the four components of the programme described in this brochure.

**Mobility: Joint Master Degrees and the credit mobility action will provide scholarships for students and staff from ACP countries to come to Europe**

## Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

Higher education institutions (HEIs) in ACP countries can be part of an international consortium offering an Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree programme to Master students of their countries. HEIs from Erasmus+ Programme Countries (in Europe) submit a Joint Master Degree application on behalf of the consortium. HEIs from ACP countries can then act as partners. Other organisations such as enterprises, public bodies, NGOs and research institutes from Programme Countries or Partner countries may also participate in the EMJMD consortium as partners or associated partners.

The programme awards full-degree scholarships covering tuition, travel and living allowance. For two years, Erasmus Mundus students study in at least two different Programme Countries and are awarded a joint, double degree, or multiple degrees, upon their graduation. Students apply directly to the programme of their choice. Most consortia will require applications to be submitted between October and January, for courses starting the following academic year.

Students at Master level can apply to a maximum of three different programmes. Both, students and potential scholars/guest lecturers should contact the relevant institution for more information on courses and application procedures.

The current list of programmes which will take place the next academic year 2018, can be found in this Catalogue: [https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/emjmd-catalogue\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/emjmd-catalogue_en)

For more information see our website:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-1/erasmus-mundus-jmd\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-1/erasmus-mundus-jmd_en)

Or see pages 94 to 101 of the Erasmus + Programme Guide:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf)

**Deadline: 15 February 2018**

## Mobility schemes with one or more European HEIs

The International Credit Mobility (ICM) action extends the well-known Erasmus programme to non-EU Partner Countries around the world, funding short-term mobility of students, researchers and staff to and from Europe. Students come to the host institution for 3-12 months, obtaining 'credits' which are then recognised at the sending institution as part of their degree. ICM also funds staff

mobility for 5-60 days. This action is decentralised and managed by the network of Erasmus+ National Agencies (NAs) located in Programme countries. HEIs in ACP countries should contact HEI's from Programme Countries in Europe who are able to apply on behalf of both. If selected, the two universities sign an inter-institutional agreement and will be able to begin the mobility and exchanges next year.

For more information, see our website:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-1/mobility-higher-education-students-staff\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-1/mobility-higher-education-students-staff_en)

Or see pages 30 to 48 of the Erasmus + Programme Guide:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf)

**Deadline: 1 February 2018**

**Cooperation: Capacity building in higher education and youth and promoting excellence in EU studies provide opportunities for HEIs in the ACP countries and young people to cooperate with their counterparts in Europe**

### Capacity-Building projects in higher education

HEIs from ACP countries can take part in capacity-building projects in partnership with HEIs from Europe. These projects can be:

- Joint projects: to help HEIs from ACP countries to develop, modernise and disseminate new curricula, teaching methods or materials, as well as to boost quality assurance and governance of HEIs.
- Structural projects: to develop and reform HEIs and systems in ACP countries; to enhance their quality and relevance, promote regional cooperation and increase convergence with international developments in higher education.

Applications can be submitted either by the HEI in the ACP country or in Europe. Non-academic partners can also be involved, if their participation helps achieve the aims of the project.

For more information, see our website:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-2/capacity-building-field-higher-education\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-2/capacity-building-field-higher-education_en)

Or see pages 156 to 169 of the Erasmus + Programme Guide:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf)

**Deadline: 8 February 2018**

## Capacity-Building projects in youth

Capacity-building projects are transnational projects based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the field of youth in Programme and Partner Countries, aiming to foster cooperation and exchanges in the field of youth, promote transnational non-formal learning mobility, and improve the quality of youth work, non-formal learning and volunteering, among other things.

Any programme country organisation can apply on behalf of all organisations involved in the project, including organisations in partner countries. Youth-led organisations in ACP countries can participate as NGOs, enterprises, educational institutions, foundations or other bodies active in the field of education and training, and the socio-economic sector.

The projects which last from 9 months up to 2 years, can focus on either capacity building or mobility activities. In capacity building, activities can be any youth event encouraging policy dialogue, cooperation, networking and exchanges of practices in the field of youth. Mobility activities can be youth exchanges between Programme and eligible Partner countries (including ACP countries), European Voluntary Service from/to eligible Partner countries, or mobility of youth workers between Programme and eligible Partner countries.

For more information, see our website:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-2/capacity-building-field-youth\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-2/capacity-building-field-youth_en)

Or see pages 170 to 186 of the Erasmus + Programme Guide:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf)

**Deadline: 8 March 2018**

## Promoting excellence in EU studies

Jean Monnet activities promote excellence in teaching and research in the field of European Union studies worldwide, fostering dialogue between the academic world and policy-makers by funding modules, chairs and Centres of Excellence. HEIs from ACP countries may apply for these activities.

For more information, see our website:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/jean-monnet-activities\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/jean-monnet-activities_en)

Or see pages 196 to 225 of the Erasmus + Programme Guide:

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf)

**Deadline: 22 February 2018**

