Erasmus+ School Education

2021-2027: Activities and Funding Opportunities

Schools go Green and Digital – Erasmus+ supports teaching excellence
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Programme structure 2021-2027 (School Education)

- Mobility for pupils, teachers and staff
  
  (Key Action 1 / KA 1)

- Cooperation / Partnerships
  
  (Key Action 2 / KA 2)

National Agencies
4 programme priorities
Regardless of a chosen project topic, participating organisations should actively promote:

- Inclusion and diversity
- Sustainability; Environmental and climate goals
- Digital transformation
- Participation in democratic life, common values and civic engagement
Which countries participate?

- 27 EU member states
- Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway
- Republic of North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey

In some programme actions, other countries can take part under certain conditions
Mobility Projects – Getting to know Europe

- **THE** action for schools (general education) and pre-school institutions
- Various formats (permanent participation - or just give it a try…)
- For teachers, non-teaching staff and for pupils
- Replaces the former "Erasmus school partnerships"
What kind of activities are possible?

Projects à la carte: like choosing from a menu…

Every school / institution can choose and combine activities according to their own needs and interests.
Staff mobility

Job Shadowing /

- 2 - 60 days

Teaching Assignment

- 2 - 365 days

Courses and training

- 2 - 30 days
Pupil Mobility in general education

Group mobility of school pupils

- 2 - 30 days
- Joint learning activities for pupils from at least 2 programme countries
- Normally at a hosting school abroad
- Accompanied by teachers

Learning mobility for individual pupils

- Short-term mobility: 10 - 29 days
- Long-term mobility: 30 - 365 days
- Learning and studying at a partnerschool abroad
- also possible: traineeship at a relevant organisation abroad
Invited experts

- 2 - 60 days
- Invite trainers, policy experts or other professionals from abroad to help improve teaching and learning at your school

Hosting teachers in training

- 10 - 365 days
- Invite a teacher in training from abroad to your school
- Subsistence / travel: provided by the sending organisation (which may apply for funding)

Preparatory Visits

Visit your hosting partner to prepare a mobility, discuss details of cooperation and to improve inclusiveness, scope and quality of your mobility activities
### At a glance:

#### Staff mobility
- Job Shadowing (2 - 60 days)
- Training and courses (2 - 30 days)
- Teaching assignment (2 - 365 days)

#### Pupil mobility in general education
- Group mobility (2 - 30 days)
- Learning mobility of individual pupils (10 - 365 days)

#### Other supported activities
- Invited experts (2 - 60 days)
- Hosting teachers in training (10 - 365 days)
- Preparatory Visits
EU-Funding

- Mostly unit costs
- **Green travel grant** for environmentally friendly travelling

- Organisational Support per participant per activity*
- Travel Costs
- Individual Support
- Course Fees
- Preparatory Visits
- Inclusion Support
- Linguistic Support for individual mobility
- Exceptional Costs (e.g. visa, vaccinations, medical certifications)

* Also for hosting teachers in training and invited experts
Access to mobility projects (KA 1)

- Accreditation ("membership")
- Short term project
- Joining an existing mobility consortium
Erasmus Accreditation for general education schools / pre-school institutions

- First choice for schools (*note: VET schools apply for accreditation in the VET sector*)
- Once accredited ➔
- Possibility to request funding every year (no "application", minimum budget guaranteed)

**Main aspects**

- Based on an *Erasmus Plan* describing the mid- and longterm objectives of the applicant school / institution
- Only one accreditation per institution (within the same education sector)
- No previous experience with Erasmus+ necessary, but applicant must have worked at least 2 years in the school education sector
- The accreditation is valid for the whole programme period (but the Erasmus Plan needs to be updated after 5 years at the latest)
Short Term Mobility Projects

- As a try-out for beginners
- For institutions which only want to take part occasionally or with few participants

**Main aspects**

- Project duration: 6 - 18 months
- Maximum 30 participants (plus accompanying persons)
- Not more than 3 projects in 5 years possible
- Priority for newcomers / first-time applicants
- All mobility types possible (including individual long-term mobility)
- Accredited institutions cannot apply
Applying for funding

Only the applicant institution gets funding

- Partner institutions have to submit applications to their own National Agency (NA)

- There are no "fixed" partnerships any longer
  - but cooperation among partners is still possible

- Partner schools do not have to be accredited in order to host guests

- Focus: on mobilities of teachers and pupils

- but content-based project work and virtual cooperation in-between mobilities is advisable, recommended and easily feasible 😊
Accredited school
Thomas Realschule plus in Andernach (DE)

- Online course on the possibilities of eTwinning => partner search
- Jobshadowing at a Greek school
- Course "How to make you school more international" in Portugal
- Group mobility for pupils in Spain
- Partner schools in Greece, Estonia, Spain
- Many activities embedded in everyday school life
- More mobilities to come…
**Application deadlines 2023**

**Accreditation**

- **19 October**
  - Request for funding for accredited institutions: **February 2024**
  - Funding period: starting in June 2024

**Short-term mobility projects**

- 1st Round: 23 February
  - earliest project start: June 1st, 2023

**Participatin in a mobility consortium**

- Info on a national / regional level

**Acting as a host school for teachers or pupils from abroad**

- No application necessary

Optional 2nd round:

- 4 October
  - earliest project start: January 1st, 2024
eTwinning and School Education Gateway ➔
European School Education Platform (ESEP)

THE platform for all actors in the school education sector

Partnerships

Please note:
The "successor" of the former Erasmus School Partnerships are the Mobility Projects presented on the previous slides,

not the partnerships presented on the following slides
Two kinds of partnerships

Small-scale Partnership
"Cooperation with minimal administrative burden"

Cooperation Partnership
"Big project, big budget"

Valid for both kinds: "Consortium"

The coordinating institution
- submits the application on behalf of all partners,
- is the only contractual partner of the National Agency and
- is responsible for the entire formal coordination, budget transfer to partners and reporting to the NA
### Small-scale partnerships - Main Aspects

- Projects with simplified administrative rules for smaller institutions, newcomers, grassroots organisations
- Minimum 2 organisations from 2 different Programme countries
- Preferably: Diverse range of partners with different profiles and expertise (cooperation between schools and non-school organisations)
- Project duration: 6 - 24 months
- Single lump sum amounts: 30,000 € or 60,000 € according to the scope of the project
- 2 application rounds per year
Small-scale partnerships – Examples

Wasteless – Waste less, recycle more
Schools and a small enterprise specialised in using natural and recycled resources aim to raise awareness about environmental questions in their communities and will publish a collection of ideas for recycling and upcycling and for avoiding waste in everyday-situations.

Level up your digital skills
A company for digital labs and two schools in 2 European countries aim to equip pupils with relevant digital and social skills through modern teaching methods. The ultimate goal is too create a collection of trilingual flashcards (German – Turkish – English) by pupils for pupils on the topics of content creation and app programming.
Cooperation Partnerships – Main Aspects

- Partnerships to boost the internationalisation of the partner institutions, support innovative practices and produce transferable results / products of high quality and of benefit to other actors in the field
- Dissemination of results expected on a local, regional, national and European level
- Minimum 3 institutions from 3 different Programme countries
- Institutions from other countries worldwide: can be involved as partners if they bring an essential added value to the project
- Project duration: 12 - 36 months
- Single lump sum amounts: 120,000 €, 250,000 € or 400,000 € according to the scope of the project
- 1 application round per year in spring + 1 optional one in the autumn (NA decision)
Cooperation Partnerships – Examples

Escape Climate Change Initiative
Together with a small enterprise and various associations, two universities develop escape games on climate change issues in digital and physical versions to be used in geography lessons and to be played with partners in other countries. The aim is to sensitize pupils and teachers to climate change related issues and to motivate them to take action.

6 digi-tours of Europe
A regional school administration develops learning and teaching material together with an enterprise, schools and associations in various European countries. The formal results will be a course on filming techniques and digital tools as well as a course on the use of social media. These products are aimed at educational institutions. At the same time, pupils are involved and produce a series of films and documentaries on the topic of sustainable tourism.
Application deadlines 2023

Small-scale partnerships

22 March
• earliest project start: 1st September

4 October
• Earliest project start: 1st January, 2024

Cooperation partnerships

22 March
• earliest project start: 1st September

Optional 2nd round: 4 October
Want to know more?

- Info in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide:

- Contact your National Agency:

- Website of German National Agency for the school sector:
  - https://erasmusplus.schule