

Factsheet

Erasmus+ Key Actions 2 and 3: Higher Education Cooperation Projects

What is Erasmus+?

The Erasmus+ programme of the European Commission supports education, training, youth and sport in Europe. It started in 2014 and will end in 2020. The next Erasmus Programme will start in 2021 and will end in 2027.

Which actions includes Erasmus+ and who can provide you with support at the UP?

- The **International Office at Dezernat 2** is in charge of the actions related to the mobility of individuals, i.e. **Key Action 1 (KA1)**.
- At **Dezernat 1** you find support in the preparation and submission of proposals for **Key Actions 2 and 3 (KA2 and KA3)**, which provide funding possibilities for international cooperation within Erasmus+ Programme Countries as well as with Partner Countries.

You can find the list of all Erasmus+ Programme and Partner Countries [here](#).

Which funding opportunities offers KA2 for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)?

Opportunities:	1 Strategic Partnerships	2 Knowledge Alliances	3 Capacity Building
Aim:	Development and sharing of innovative practices	Strengthening innovation capacity through the collaboration between HEIs and businesses	Supporting modernization, accessibility and internationalization of higher education in Partner Countries
Examples of activities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of shared curricula • Testing and implementation of innovative learning methods • Recognition of knowledge, skills and competences • Cooperation between universities and other societal and industrial actors 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge exchange between universities and industry • Implementation of innovative teaching and learning methods • Development of entrepreneurial skills 	Two types of projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Projects aimed at HEIs to improve curricula, modernize management and strengthen the connection with their social and economic environment • Structural Projects to support reforms in higher education systems at regional and national level in Partner Countries
Consortium:	At least 3 organizations from 3 different Programme Countries	Minimum 6 organizations from 3 different Programme Countries, of which 2 must be HEIs and 2 must be businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Projects in only one Partner Country: minimum 2 HEIs from 2 different Programme Countries and 3 HEIs from the Partner Country • Projects in more than one Partner Country: minimum 2 HEIs from 2 different Programme Countries and 2 HEIs from each Partner Country

Opportunities:	1 Strategic Partnerships	2 Knowledge Alliances	3 Capacity Building
Project duration:	2 to 3 years	2 to 3 years	2 to 3 years
Funding:	Up to 150,000 EUR/Year	Up to 700,000 EUR for a two-year project Up to 1,000,000 EUR for a three-year project	Between 500,000 EUR and 1 Million EUR
Submission of proposals at:	National Agency Nationale Agentur DAAD Bonn	Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) Brussels Funding & Tenders Portal	Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) Brussels Funding & Tenders Portal

Which funding opportunities offers KA3 for HEIs?

The aim of KA3 is to support **policy reforms**. Calls in this action address specific priorities of the European Union (EU) policy agenda.

Some relevant funding measures for universities included in this action are:

- **Forward-Looking Cooperation Projects** to assess and develop innovative policy approaches, with a call for applications every two years (next one expected for 2021) and a maximum funding of 500,000 EUR
- **European Policy Experimentations** to support transnational cooperation of high-level public authorities that aim at developing and implementing innovative policies, with a call every two years (next one expected by the end of 2019/beginning of 2020) and a funding up to 2 Million EUR
- Projects to support **Social Inclusion and Common Values**, with a call every year (next one expected by the end of 2019/beginning of 2020) and a maximum funding of 500,000 EUR
- Other calls for proposals that are not assigned to a specific action and are not published on a regular basis

Other Actions within the Erasmus+ Programme

The Erasmus+ Programme also includes actions in the field of [Sport](#) as well as [Jean Monnet Activities](#). The first action promotes participation in sport and voluntary activities. Jean Monnet Activities support Modules, Chairs, Centres of Excellence, Projects and Networks that focus on EU studies (research and teaching).

Note

The information provided in this factsheet has been gathered from the EACEA website, the Erasmus+ Programme Guide and the website of the National Agency (Nationale Agentur DAAD), and it must be considered provisional until the calls for applications are published.

Relevant Sources

- Erasmus+ Website of the European Commission: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/opportunities_en
- Erasmus+ Programme Guide: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2019_en
- Nationale Agentur (NA DAAD): <https://eu.daad.de/infos-fuer-hochschulen/programmlinien/de>