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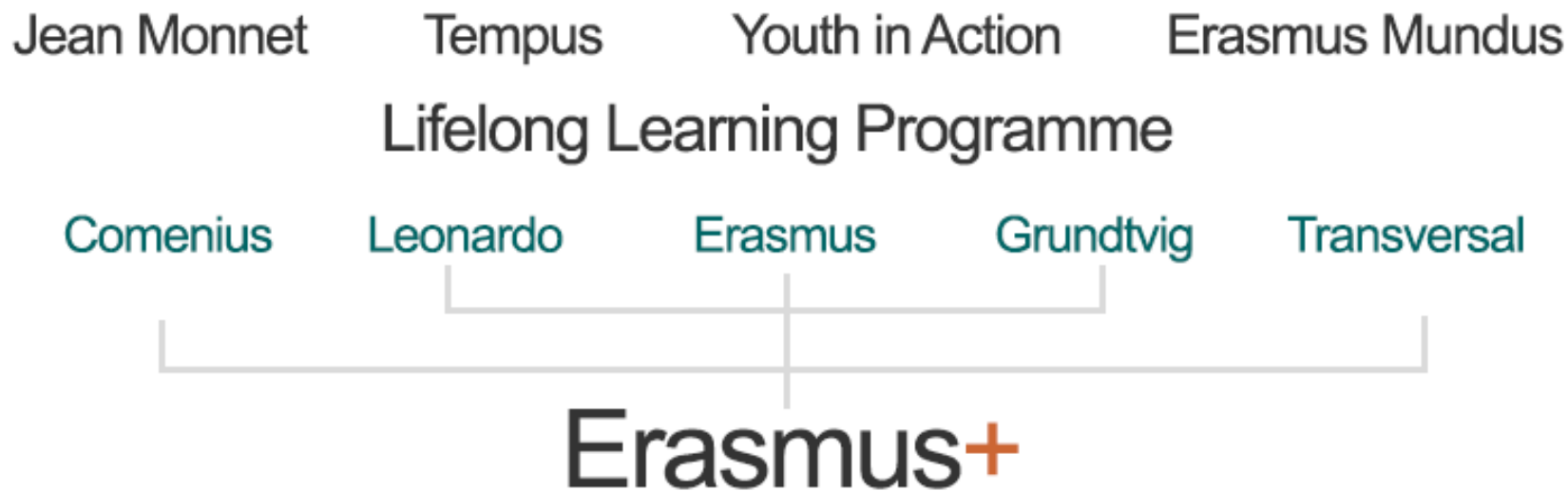
UK education, training, youth and sport opportunities across Europe

Erasmus+ an overview

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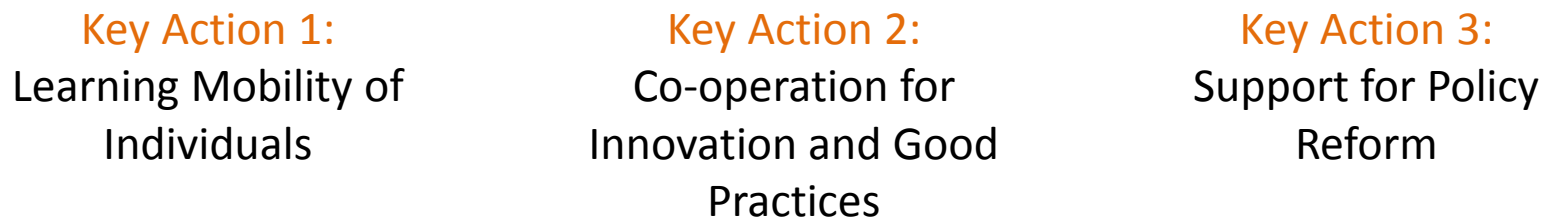


Erasmus+ Overview



What sort of projects will be funded under the new programme?

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Important Features

- DISSEMINATION AND EXPLOITATION OF RESULTS
- RECOGNITION AND VALIDATION OF SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS
- OPEN ACCESS REQUIREMENT FOR EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS
- EUROPEAN ADDED VALUE
- INTERNATIONAL DIMENSION
- MULTILINGUALISM
- INTERCULTURAL LEARNING / CULTURAL DIVERSITY
- PARTICIPATION
- EQUITY AND INCLUSION
- PROTECTION AND SAFETY OF PARTICIPANTS

Objectives for education and training

- improve the level of key competences and skills
- foster quality improvements, innovation excellence and internationalisation at the level of education and training institutions and promote cross-sectoral links
- promote European lifelong learning;
- enhance the international dimension of education and training
- improve the teaching and learning of languages

Priorities

The activities will focus on common priorities related to Europe 2020

- Reducing early school leaving
- Improving attainment in basic skills – literacy, maths and science
- Reinforcing quality in early childhood education and care

What do we know?

- Mix of centralised and de-centralised activities
- Simplified funding approach
- Focus on European added-value
- Linking policy and practice

Current status

- Call for Proposals released December:
http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index_en.htm
- EC portal for registration now open
- Online applications expected end Jan
- First application deadline 17 March
<http://www.erasmusplus.org.uk/how-to-apply>

Key Actions

- Key Action 1: Learning Mobility of Individuals
- Key Action 2: Co-operation for Innovation and Exchange of Good Practices
- Key Action 3: Support for Policy Reform
- Some activities managed centrally, ie not by National Agencies
- Organisation, not individual applications
- No funding for preparatory visits
- No separate strand for assistants

Key Action 1 – Learning Mobility of Staff

Aim

- Raising key competences and skills of educational staff.
- Offer Professional development activities abroad:

Courses or training events

Job shadowing

Teaching assignment in a partner institution abroad

KA1 – what's new?

- A strategic, institutional approach:
- European Development Plan
- “Mobility Project” of 1 or 2 years
- No central course list
- Set funding amounts according to number of days and location of the training.
- Deadline of 17 March

Key Action 2 – Strategic Partnerships

Aims:

- Develop and implement innovative practices and tools
- Exchange experience and good practice

Activities:

- Joint research and analyses
- Transnational mobility activities:
 - project meetings, workshops/seminars
 - visits/exchanges of teachers and pupils
 - long-term teaching assignments in a partner organisation

What's new in KA2 ?

- **More flexibility** in size and scope of projects
- Increased opportunities to **cooperate with other education sectors**
- Increased opportunities to cooperate with **different types of organisations** (including business, local authorities etc.)
- For partnerships with **only schools**:
One common application to be sent by coordinator
Whole partnerships are selected
- Deadline: 30 April 2014

eTwinning - The online community for schools in Europe

Aims

- Promote collaborative learning, project-based pedagogy and European cooperation among schools
- Support the use of digital technology in learning
- Support teachers' professional development and peer learning

Target Groups

- Teachers, school leaders and other school staff
- Pupils (through their teachers)
- Programme Countries
- Eastern Partnership countries, Tunisia (eTwinning Plus)

eTwinning – what will be new

- A stronger platform for cooperation between schools, supporting all kinds of school cooperation and mobility

Key Action 3 – Support for Policy Reform

Aims:

- Peer learning between high level policy makers, practitioners, participating organisations, researchers and stakeholder groups.
- Development of national policies and European dialogue

Main activities:

- Transnational experimentation with innovative policy measures and transfer to other systems

What can you do now to prepare for your application?

- Sign up to a webinar (online support session)
- Work on your European Development plan and establish aims of your training plan for 2014-16
- Register on the European Commission Authentication Service
- Keep reading the website for updates:
www.erasmusplus.org.uk
- Or follow us on Twitter: [#erasmusplusuk](https://twitter.com/erasmusplusuk)

What next?

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- Visit the EC website:
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