

ERASMUS WORKSHOP

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Erasmus

- **What are the aims of Erasmus?**
- **Who can participate?**
- **What are the different types of activity?**
- **Centralised actions**
- **Decentralised actions**
- **Erasmus timetable first six months 2007**

What are the aims of Erasmus?

- **To support the realisation of a European HE area**
- **To reinforce contribution of HE to process of innovation**

Operational objectives of Erasmus

To improve quality and co-operation of HE

Increase: **volume of student & staff mobility (3m students by
2012)**

transparency between qualifications

co-operation between HEIs

co-operation between HEIs and Enterprises

Who can participate?

Individuals: **Students & trainees**

Teachers, trainers & other staff (NEW!)

Organisations:

HEIs

Associations & representatives of HEIs

Enterprises & social partners

Public & private organisations

Research centres

Guidance, counselling & information services

Types of activity (1)

Student Mobility

Study Placement

Work Placements (NEW!)

Staff Mobility

Teaching staff can teach or receive training

Other HEI staff

Enterprise staff

Intensive Programmes

Types of activity (2)

Multilateral projects which focus on:

innovation and experimentation

exchange of good practice

Networks run by HEIs which aim to develop:

new learning concepts and competencies

may also include public bodies, enterprises etc.

Types of activity (3)

Accompanying measures which includes:

other initiatives aimed at promoting the objectives of the Erasmus programme

The 14 Erasmus Actions (1)

- 1 Erasmus University Charter**
- 2 Student study placements**
- 3 Student work placements**
- 4 Teaching assignments for teaching staff**
- 5 Staff training for teaching and other staff (in HEI or enterprise)**
- 6 Intensive programmes**
- 7 Intensive language courses**

The 14 Erasmus actions (2)

8 Organisation of Mobility

9 Development of study programmes

10 Co-operation between HEIs and enterprises

11 Modernisation of HE

12 Virtual Campuses

13 Networks

14 Accompanying Measures

Centralised Actions

Apply to Executive Agency at European Commission for:

- Erasmus University Charter (renewals to BC)
- Curriculum development projects
- Co-operation between HEIs and enterprises
- Modernisation of HE
- Virtual Campuses
- Networks
- Accompanying Measures

Erasmus University Charter

- **Awarded by European Commission (renewals to NA)**
- **Sets out principles and requirements of Erasmus**
- **Extended Charter for Work Placements**

- **Must include Erasmus Policy Statement (EPS)**

EPS sets out co-operation plan

Must be coherent with mission statement of HEI

Curriculum Development Projects

- Erasmus provides support for two main areas:
 - joint development of study programmes
 - joint development of European modules
 - includes specialised language modules
- Purpose of grant is to reinforce quality by combining expertise of universities from several countries
- Activities: tutoring & guidance, accreditation, quality assurance...

Co-operation between Universities and Enterprises

- Knowledge transfer between HEIs and business and vice versa
- Placements of students, staff and researchers in business
- Integration of business staff into HEIs
- Benefits: enhancing employability
adding entrepreneurial skills to scientific expertise
experimental learning

Virtual Campuses

- **Increase ‘virtual mobility’**
- **Integrate virtual mobility into Curriculum Development projects**
- **Increase availability of resources**
 - including high quality Open Educational Resources**

- **Aims to support development of innovative ICT-based content**
- **Adequate technical infrastructure is a prerequisite**
- **Acknowledgement there is no ‘one size fits all’**

Networks

- **Aims to enhance quality and develop European dimension within a discipline, study area or topic**
- **Can be interdisciplinary/ multidisciplinary or management/ QA etc.**
- **Activities include: Mapping and enhancing education
Quality Assurance
Promoting synergies between teaching
and research**

Accompanying Measures

- **Aims to promote objectives and results of Erasmus projects**
- **Projects cover:**
 - communication activities**
 - thematic monitoring**
 - dissemination and exploitation of results**
- **Support provided for conferences and events**

Decentralised Actions

Apply to National Agency at British Council for:

- **Student study placements**
- **Student work placements**
- **Teaching assignments for teaching staff in HEIs**
- **Staff training for teaching and other staff in HEIs and enterprises**
- **Intensive programmes**
- **Intensive language courses**
- **Organisation of mobility**

Student and Staff Mobility

- **Student study placements**
- **Student work placements**
- **Teaching assignments for teaching staff in HEIs**
- **Staff training for teaching and other staff in HEIs and enterprises**

Intensive Programmes

- **Multinational teaching of specialist topics which might not otherwise be taught**
- **Teaching staff can exchange views and test methods**
- **Can be a one-off or repeated activity over a number of years**
- **At least three participating countries**
- **Co-ordinating institution submits proposal**

Intensive Language Courses

- **Specialised courses in less widely known languages of participating countries**
- **Provides students with opportunity to study language of host country for about one month**

Organisation of Mobility

- **Aims to provide quality support measures for staff and student mobility**
- **Activities may include:**
 - selection**
 - linguistic preparation**
 - monitoring of students**
 - feedback**
 - support/ development of ECTS
(European Credit Transfer System)**

Timetable

- 20 Dec 06: **2007 call for proposals published**
- 28 Feb 07: **Deadline EUC applications**
- 30 Mar 07: **Deadline Erasmus applications to NA**
Deadline Intensive Programme applications to NA
- 30 Apr 07: **Announcement of awards of EUC**
Deadline for Transversal Programme, Jean Monnet, Accompanying Measures
- 6-7 May 07: **Launch conference, Berlin**

Useful documents

- **Lifelong Learning Programme general call for proposals**
- **Guide for applicants**

Contact details

www.lifelonglearningprogramme.org.uk

http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/llp/index_en.html

www.erasmus.ac.uk (current site)

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