

Title of the project

Access to Success: Fostering trust and exchange between Europe and Africa

Duration : 24 months

Project description :

Objectives

The primary objective is to address identified obstacles to EU-African higher education cooperation by providing structured opportunities for mutual exchange and discussion between the higher education communities in the two continents. The focus will be around issues of access to higher education – a major policy challenge in both continents where dialogue offers enormous opportunities for mutual learning, cooperation and enlightened action.

Target Groups

The primary and most direct beneficiaries of the project will be European and African higher education community of institutions, academics and students. It also targets policy makers, in order to contribute to significant enhancement on the access issue.

Main activities

two surveys on access in Europe and Africa, the first on state and institutional policies, and the second on student perspectives, **three mutual learning events** on different subthemes of the EU-Africa access debate; **high level conference**, addressing messages on EU-Africa cooperation to policy makers **Expected outputs a study** based on the two project surveys; a **White paper** with recommendations to policy makers **a guide book** of comparative practice, highlighting issues to be addressed in future between the two regions and **reports** of the main events; By involving the main representative university organisations in Europe and Africa, an important legacy of the project will be in creating the trust needed between institutions in the two continents for future action to be developed.

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