

Thank you for joining us
for this Erasmus Goes Digital webinar session.
Please take a virtual seat,
the webinar will begin momentarily.

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Updates from DG EAC



Policy priorities in 2024

- Continued outreach and support targeting institutions not yet using EWP
- Targeted national EWP events to boost digitalisation and provide opportunity for peer learning and involving EWP champions in outreach
- Improved version of IIA available to all users
- Stakeholder consultations to improve the LAs and Factsheets
- Complete migration of the ESC Router to the EC cloud



EWP Targets

- All HEIs with access to improved IIA version by summer 2024
- 95% of learning agreements for academic year 2024-2025 completed via EWP
- Focus on national context and peer learning

ESCI Newsletter

- Integration of EWP newsletter in a joint ESCI newsletter
- New newsletter format, colleagues signed up to the EWP newsletter will receive the new ESCI newsletter



Subscribe now to the newsletter!

Newsletter



Update inter-institutional agreements

Context of the update

- Mandatory business requirements
- User input via governance
- Technical workshops in February, ongoing technical testing



New functionalities



Modify/terminate
approved
agreements



Delete draft
agreements



Alignment with
updated template
(a.o. 4-digit
ISCED)

Agreements already shared via EWP

No impact on mutually approved agreements

Initiated but not yet approved might need update (if not aligned with newest standard)



If institution is not ready

- Approved agreements remain valid!
- Can upgrade in a later phase
- Email confirmation/PDF agreement valid to support mobilities

Erasmus Without Paper

New on-boarding guide

“I’ve just been hired as an IRO, and I am lost!”

Why was the guide created?

During the last EWP Townhall and webinars, participants flagged that they **needed clearer and simpler first information** about EWP

The consultations for the Comprehensive User Guides demonstrated common **misunderstandings and lack of clarity** about some EWP aspects

Feedback received by the EWP Relationship Managers in numerous meetings with institutions:

The information is everywhere and nowhere!

YOUR VOICE IS HEARD!



Erasmus Without Paper Onboarding guide

WHO IS THIS DOCUMENT FOR?

If you have recently been tasked with managing Erasmus+ student mobility in a higher education institution, then this onboarding guide is for you.

It helps newcomers understand the Erasmus Without Paper (EWP) network, used to exchange necessary data with partner institutions and navigate the available resources that will help you get the most out of participating in the network.

WHAT IS THE ERASMUS WITHOUT PAPER NETWORK?

As an [Erasmus+](#) student mobility coordinator, your tasks can entail applying for [Erasmus+ funding](#), establishing [inter-institutional agreements](#) with partner institutions, selecting, and nominating students to your partner institutions, allocating student grants, and ensuring [learning agreements](#) are approved for the ECTS credits earned abroad to be [automatically recognised](#) as part of the student's degree.

One of the policy priorities of the European Commission is building a Europe fit for the digital age, with a focus on digitalising and simplifying administration. Institutions with an [Erasmus Charter for Higher Education](#), a pre-requisite to have access to Erasmus+, are committed to this goal by undertaking the necessary steps to start using the [Erasmus Without Paper](#) network to manage progressively Erasmus+ administrative tasks. Erasmus Without Paper aims to connect all institutions digitally and simplify administration in line with the [Erasmus+ programme rules](#), set by the Commission and monitored by the [Erasmus+ National Agency](#) in each participating country.

See how Erasmus Without paper is part of the European Student Card Initiative



Where do I find the guide?

- To be published on the ESCI portal and link circulated in **the next ESCI newsletter**
- Will also ask **your Digital Officer in the Erasmus+ National Agency** to share it with all institutions in their country

Content



What is EWP?

To place EWP in the full context of the Erasmus+ programme



Speak the "EWP language"

Vocabulary used in the context of EWP



What does EWP do?

Overall workflow from the perspective of an IRO



My institution in EWP

How to connect and start exchanging data;
How to check connections and ESI



How are decisions made in EWP?

How the IRO voice is represented in the governance



Where to look for help?

To ensure you do not miss anything

My institution in EWP

Check your HEIs presence in the network



To check **EWP details**
(e.g., if your HEI is ready to
exchange LAs)



To check **EWP statistics**
(e.g., what HEIs are
exchanging data)



To see **basic
information** about
institutions

The screenshot shows the 'EWP Stats Portal' interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text 'F PARIS' and a 'Search' button. Below the search bar, it indicates 'Results (189 / 5632)'. The main content is a table with the following columns: '#', 'EWP providers', 'SCHAC code', 'Erasmus code', 'PIC', 'OID', and 'Name'. The table lists seven institutions, each with a row of icons (back, forward, and a globe) to its left.

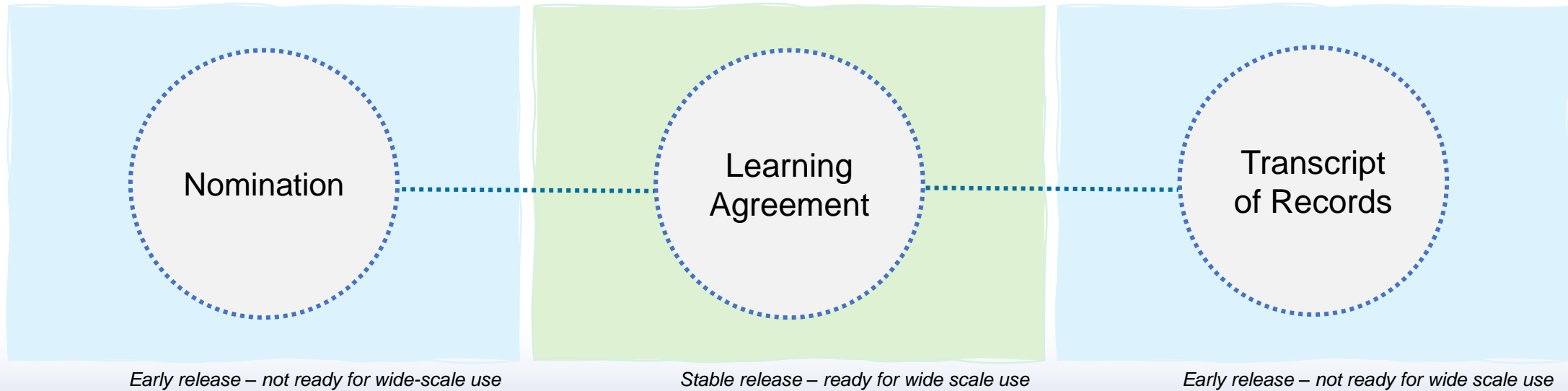
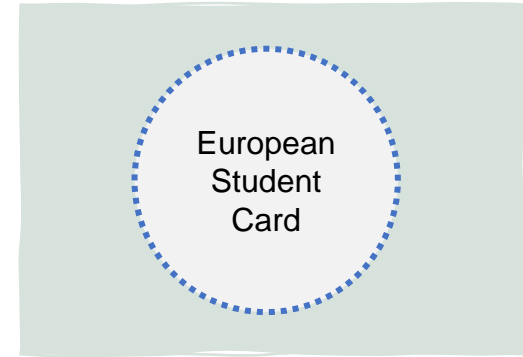
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2	EWP Dashboard, QS MoveON	pantheonsorbonne.fr	F PARIS001	999859123	E10208788	UNIVERSITE PARIS I PANTHEON-SORBONNE
3	Mobility-Online	u-paris2.fr	F PARIS002	886918240	E10300830	UNIVERSITE PARIS-PANTHEON-ASSAS
4	QS MoveON	univ-paris3.fr	F PARIS003	999885119	E10209020	UNIVERSITE PARIS III SORBONNE NOUVELLE
5	EWP Dashboard, QS MoveON	univ-paris8.fr	F PARIS008	999643104	E10208248	UNIVERSITE PARIS 8 VINCENNES SAINT-DENIS
6	QS MoveON	dauphine.psl.eu	F PARIS009	998929669	E10206412	UNIVERSITE PARIS DAUPHINE
7	EWP Dashboard, QS MoveON	parisnanterre.fr	F PARIS010	999866301	E10208849	UNIVERSITE PARIS NANTERRE

More information in the [EWP Stats Portal Guide](#)

European Student Identifier (ESI)

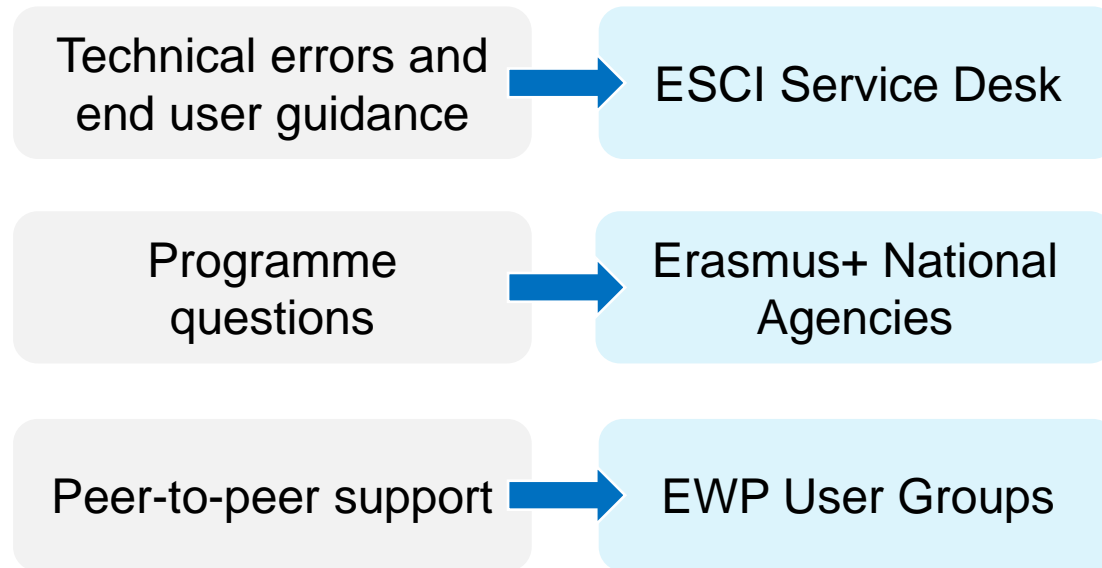
Why was it created and why it is important to use it in the network

- a digital identifier for students by their home institution
- enables institutions to connect the student's identity with their digital records
- streamlines the flow of information between the institutions



You are not left alone!

EWP offers an extensive support network for all stakeholders within three main cornerstones:



We are looking for your feedback!

Share your opinion about the on-boarding guide on the EWP User Groups when published

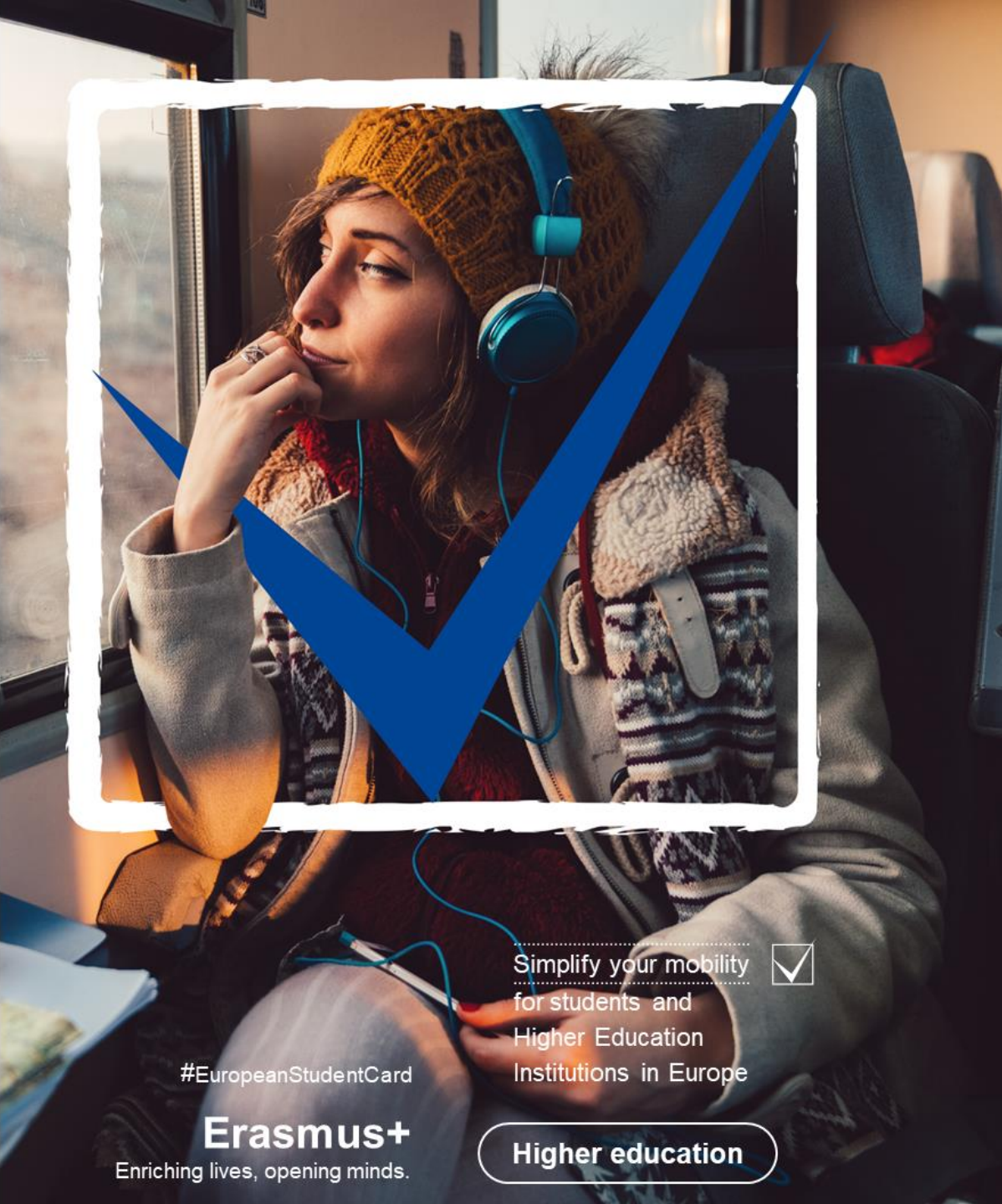
We are looking forward to receiving your suggestions – help shape the future of EWP and improving support materials!

You are not a part of the EWP User Groups yet?

Register now!



European Student Card Updates



AGENDA OF THE SESSION

- 1 ESC Adoption Update
- 2 ESC-R Updates
- 3 Communication materials

Simplify your mobility
for students and
Higher Education
Institutions in Europe



#EuropeanStudentCard

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1 | ESC Adoption Update

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ESC ADOPTION UPDATE



2.35M

Students with an active card*

264

Card issuers issuing active cards



790

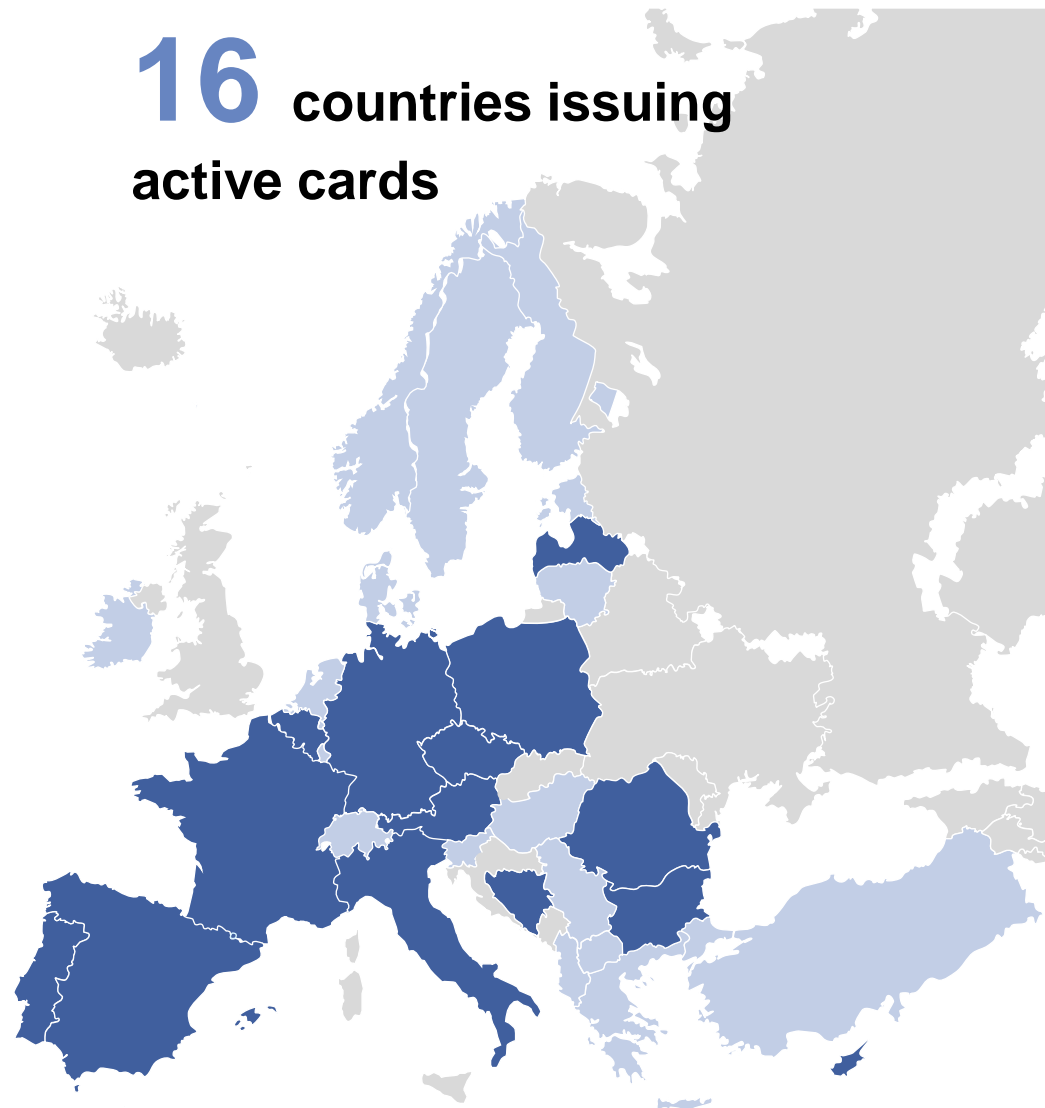
Card issuers registered in the ESC-R



5.31M

Holograms requested

16 countries issuing active cards



Light blue: Countries connected to the ESC-R
Dark blue: Countries connected to the ESC-R and issuing active cards

Data from March 2024

* A card is active when the registration process has been completed and the Institution has issued an ESC with both the hologram and QR code updated to the ESC-Router.



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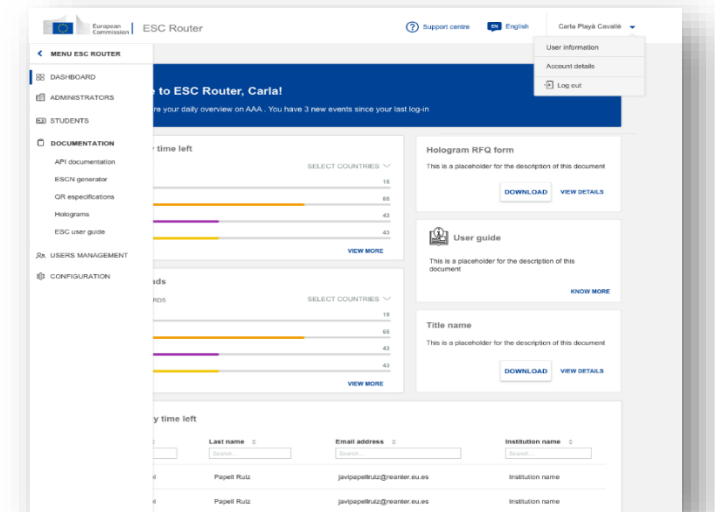
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2 | ESC-R Updates

The current ESC-Router is being migrated to the European Commission's Cloud and a new improved version of the Router is foreseen.

Objectives

- Design and implement a **scalable data model** based on EU standards.
- Design a **new User Interface** following EU design guidelines.
- Development of the **ESC-R software components** and business logic.
- Joint efforts with DG DIGIT to **host the new ESC-R** in the cloud.



European Student Card Router as an EU official tool.

Behind-the-scenes information regarding the ESC-R Migration:

- Approval of the **Project Charter** and the **IT Security Plan**, which are both important prerequisites;
- Have gained access to the **European Commission's hosting**;
- A pending decision on the **role of all involved parties** (i.e; card issuers, EC & NTT DATA);
- Finalisation of the **DPIA, Privacy Statement and Data Protection Record**.



Pending decision on an official
ESC-R migration date

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ESC-R UPDATES

The migration path is the following:



The data is being transferred from the **old ESC-R to the new one**



The migration of the data does **not entail** any **downtime** nor change for the current user of the cards



In case the user uses the API to generate and upload student cards, it will be needed to **regenerate** the API token as well

Sandbox

The current sandbox environment has been discontinued as part of the migration of the ESC-R to the European Commission cloud service. This decision reflects the commitment to maintaining the highest levels of system integrity and ensuring compliance with the rigorous technical and data security corporate standards.

**Features of the new ESC- Router**

Management of ESC through:

- the UI
- Upload of the CSV
- API

Management of Students

Card Validation

API Key Management

Administrative user management

**Discontinued Features**

DEUInfo

Redirection of data to 3rd party services

Migration of
ESC-R
Features



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- recognise your student status across Europe
- facilitate access to student services

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3 | Communication Materials

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COMMUNICATION MATERIALS

Showcase of the ESC Infographic



European Commission



The European Student Card

Simplifying student mobility for students and higher education institutions.

Why would you need the European Student Card?

Student mobility in Europe is in constant development, and so is the need to simplify procedures and to promote **greener and student-friendly alternatives.**



European Commission

Stay tuned!

For any further questions and support,

please contact us through our helpdesk.



esc.support@nttdata.com

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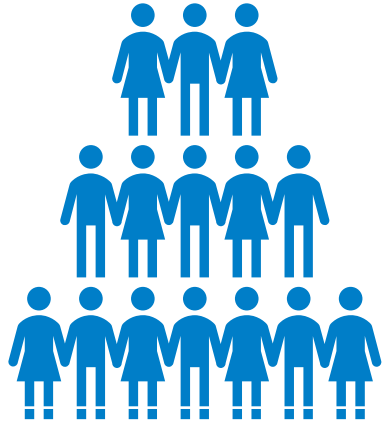
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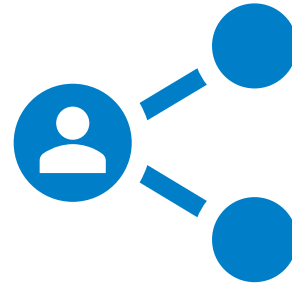
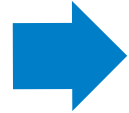


Implementing digital learning agreements

Some context



Target:
250 000 study
mobilities*



Shared via EWP:
200.000 learning
agreements*



Approved via
EWP:
About 50%*

*Approximate numbers from March 2024 for academic year 2023/24

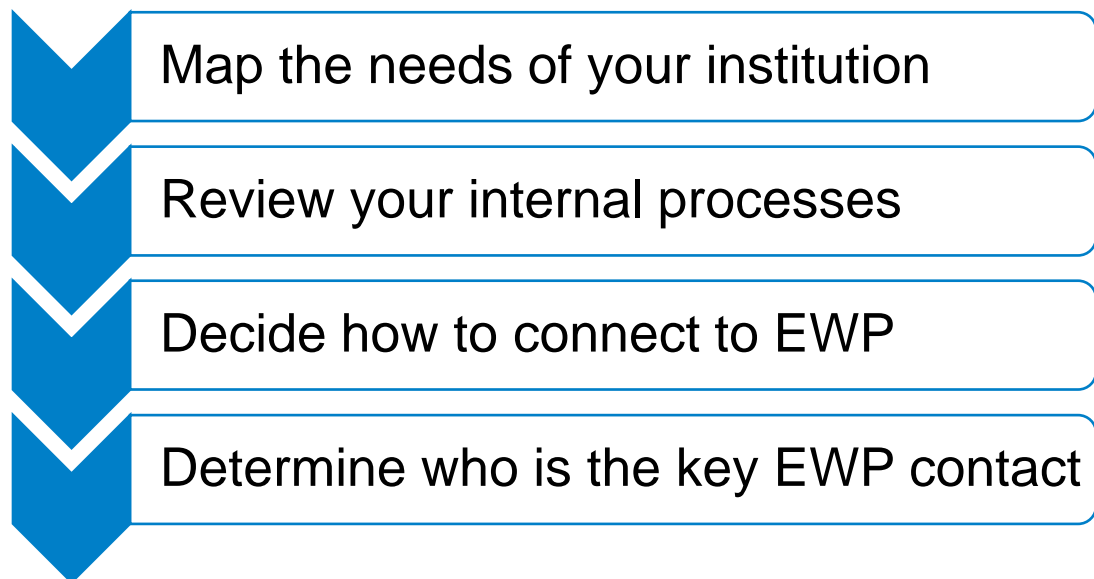
A group of graduates in silhouette, celebrating and throwing their caps into the air against a sunset sky.

Improving approval rates

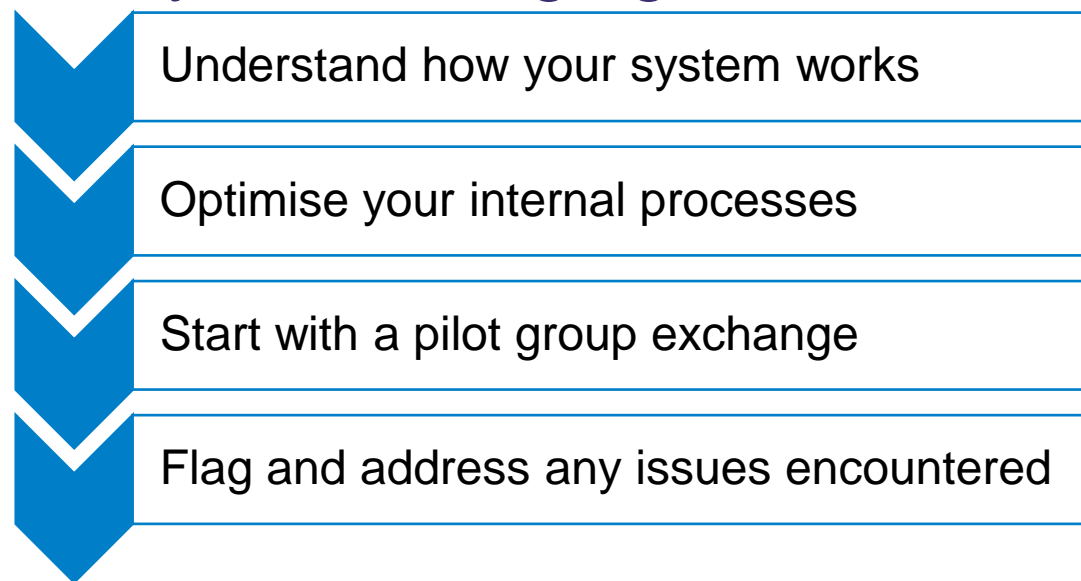
- EWP assessment report:
 - Not all target institutions are yet connected for learning agreements
 - Several institutions are connected but not yet using EWP
- Sending institution indicating contacts at receiving institution is a challenge
- Duplicate learning agreements

How to get started

Not yet connected



Not yet exchanging



Start exchanging via EWP



Comprehensive User Guide for Digital Erasmus+ Learning Agreements

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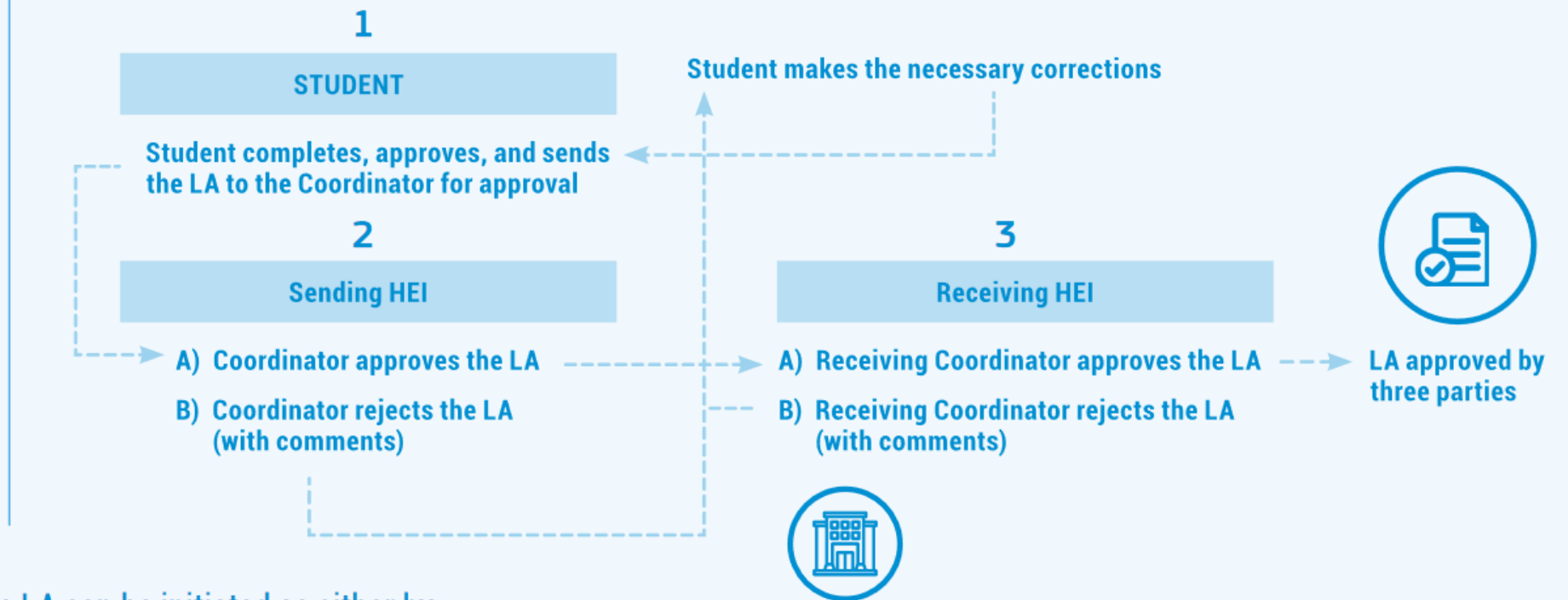
Standardised process



Student explores the course catalogue at the receiving institution

Student discusses and decides with the responsible person in charge of approving the content of the learning agreement for studies

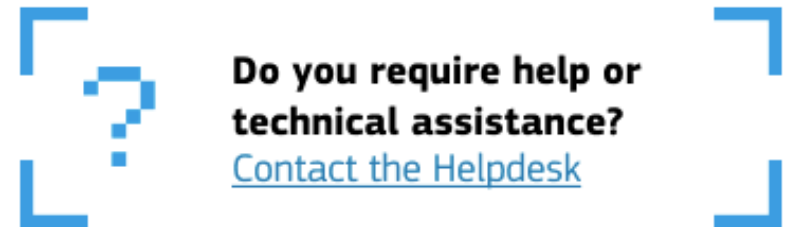
Preparation of LA



NOTE: in some systems LA can be initiated as either by the student as or by the responsible person at HEI (e.g. Institutional Coordinator).

General principles apply

- Basis for automatic recognition
- To be approved by 3 parties before start mobility
- Once approved, exceptional changes to study programme are possible
- New version(s) of the learning agreement
- If technical issue:
 - Contact service desk
 - Do not hesitate to use PDF



Changing/correcting learning agreements

Personal data of the student

First name - Last name - Birth date

Content of the learning agreement

Tables A, B, C, D, E

Best practice

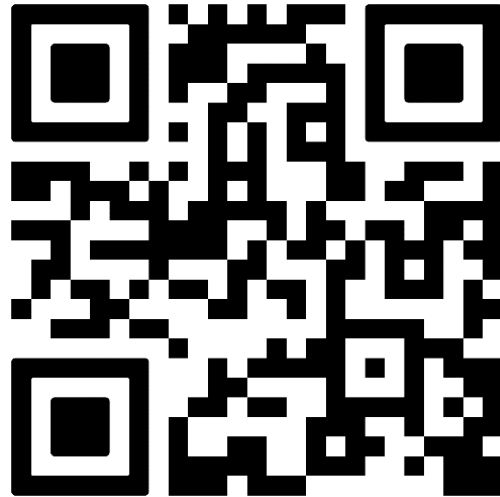
- Field of education: use 4-digit codes from Beneficiary Module
- One learning agreement per mobility
- Mobility duration: is indicative, no reason to reject a learning agreement
- Administrative contact: should be provided by sending institution, no reason to reject BUT often used to allocate learning agreements to right faculty/department

What should I do when a wrong contact person has been indicated by the sending institution?

If the wrong contact person is indicated by the sending institution, there is no need to reject the learning agreement for studies as a change in contacts will not result in a new version of the learning agreement for studies (also see section about ***changes and corrections*** below). The student/sending institution can be contacted to change the contact and an updated learning agreement for studies can be retrieved by the receiving institution.

Learning agreement update

- DG EAC and EWP+ Consortium working on an update of the learning agreement API
- Consultation via user groups will follow



Erasmus+ App

New features and updates



E+ App recent events

Erasmus+ App had two new releases in the last 4 months.

The updates focus on user experience - improving onboarding, usability, as well as adding new functionalities, like the accomodation finder module.

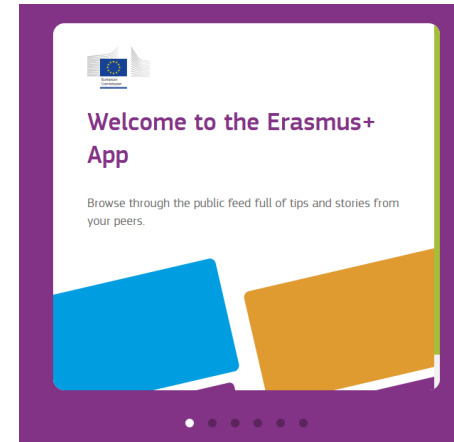
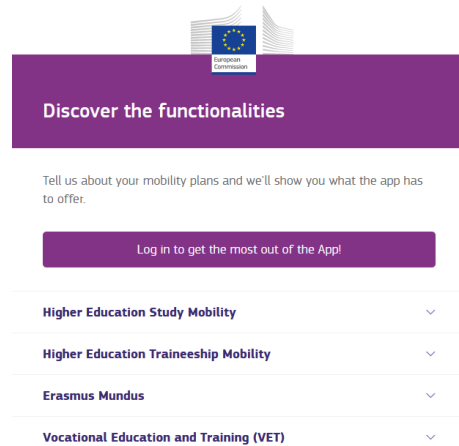


Main improvements

- Onboarding and login experience
- Global search and filtering
- Destination finder and application process (for EWP Dashboard users)
- User controlled mobility journey
- Accommodation finder
- Overall better and cleaner UI

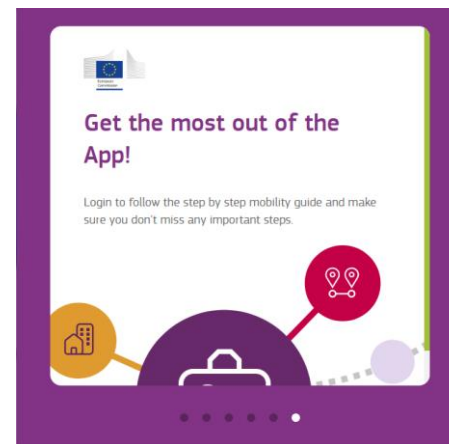
Improved onboarding and login experience

Brand-new onboarding cards and accordion page helps the users get to know the app better



Makes you feel welcome in the application

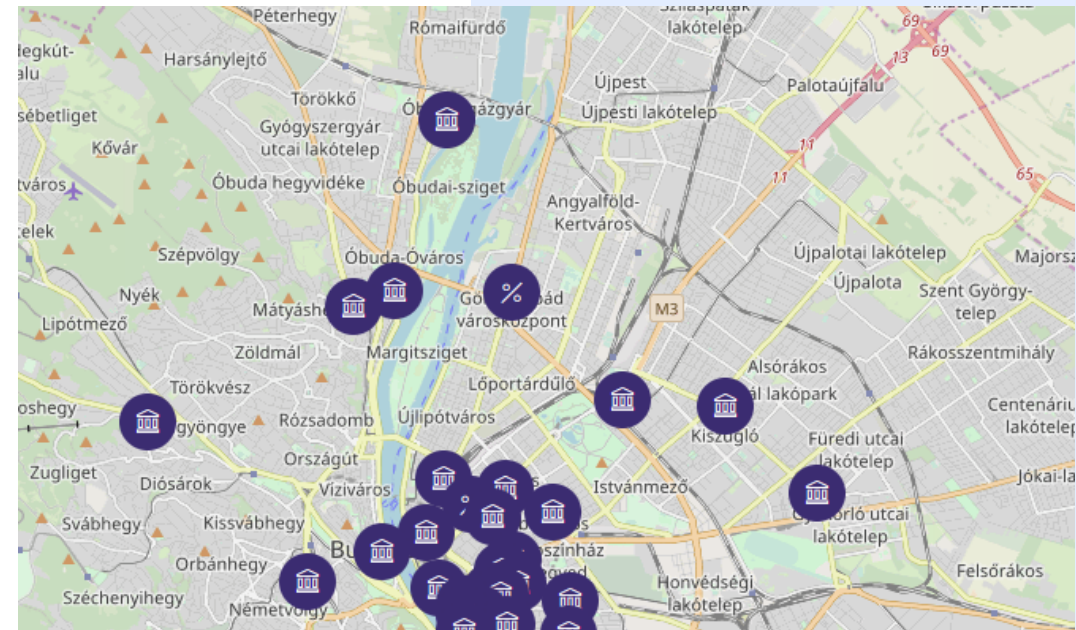
Ensures that everyone can get the most out of the existing functions



Optimized login page for better transparency and accessibility

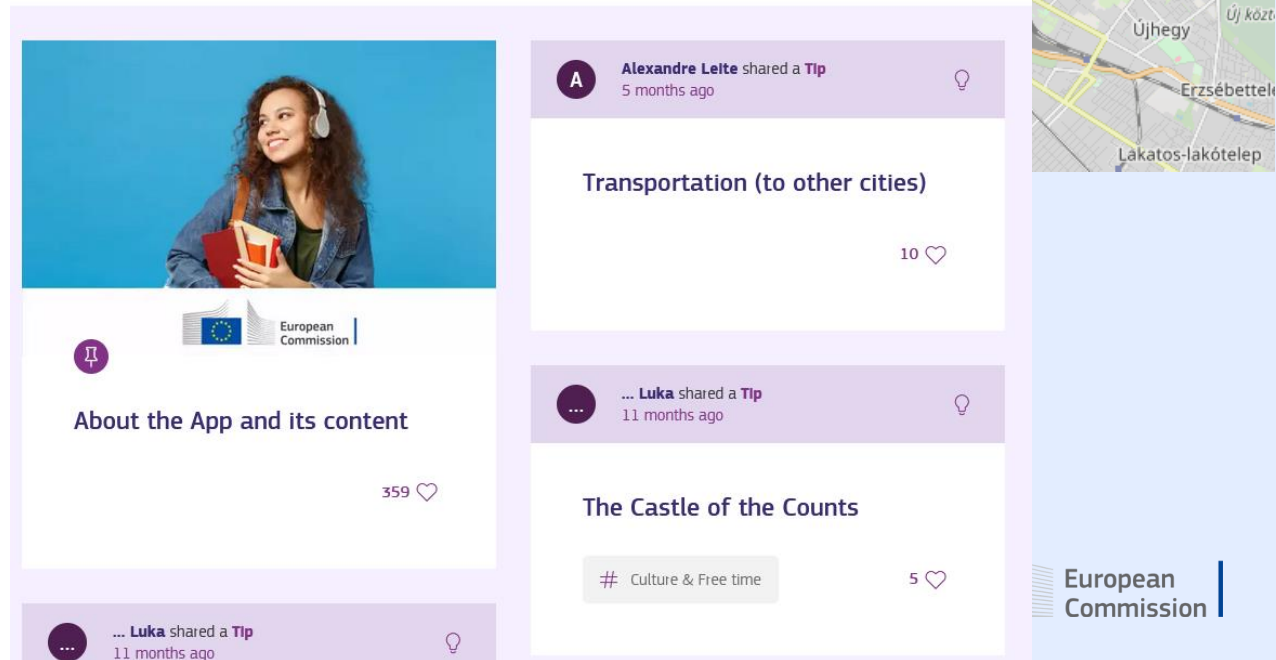
Search and filtering

- A new Global search function that collects info from the whole app
- City and tag filters to allow users to get the specific news and tips they need
- My content page to let users access their shared content quicker and easier



Erasmus mobility journey

During mobility



The screenshot displays the Erasmus app interface. On the left, a user profile for 'Alexandre Leite' is shown with a photo of a woman wearing headphones and holding books. Below the profile, there is a post titled 'About the App and its content' with the European Commission logo and 359 likes. On the right, a search filter is active, showing 'Transportation (to other cities)' with 10 likes. Below that, another post titled 'The Castle of the Counts' is visible with a tag '# Culture & Free time' and 5 likes. The bottom of the screen shows a navigation bar with a 'My content' icon and a post from 'Luka' shared 11 months ago.


Improved application process and functionality for EWP Dashboard users

Better sorting and saving of possible and favorite destinations

My Destinations

Saved destinations Apply to selected

- ENSINUS-ESTUDOS SUPERIORES SA**
Lisbon, Portugal, Other, Business and administration, not further defined
- UNIVERSIDAD DE LEON**
León, Spain, Other, Business and administration, not further defined
- UNIVERSITE DE POITIERS**
Poitiers, France, Other, Economics



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Required documents

ENSINUS-ESTUDOS SUPERIORES SA 1st choice
Lisbon, Portugal, Other

Overview

- Mobilities per year - studies: 4
- Total months - studies: 5
- Study cycle: Bachelor's degree

Requirements

- ects: 42, isced: 04, eqf: EQF-6

UNIVERSITE DE POITIERS 2nd choice
Poitiers, France, Other

Overview

- Mobilities per year - studies: 2
- Total months - studies: 5
- Study cycle: Bachelor's degree, Master's degree, Doctorate degree

More informative destination and application screens

Applications now can be saved as drafts

My Applications

Your application for Erasmus+ mobility has been submitted and will be reviewed by your Home Higher Education Institution. You will receive a notification on any updates in your application.

Academic year: 2023/2024
Academic term: Second semester (Summer/Spring)

Destinations:


- ENSINUS-ESTUDOS SUPERIORES SA, Other
- UNIVERSITE DE POITIERS, Other
- UNIVERSIDAD DE LEON, Other

Updated: 45 seconds ago

Application status history

Application successfully submitted!

Your application for Erasmus+ mobility has been submitted and will now be reviewed by your home Higher Education Institution.



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Allow users to preview documents and pictures


Renewed UI and mobility journey

- Several usability improvements – rearranged menus, icons, improved general layout
- Transforming Mobility Journey to a user-controlled checklist
- New “Mandatory” and “Highly Recommended” labels

Before application

Inform yourself HIGHLY RECOMMENDED	>	✓
Find out about living costs HIGHLY RECOMMENDED	>	✓
Check the deadlines MANDATORY	>	✓
Reach out to your local Erasmus+ association HIGHLY RECOMMENDED	>	✓
Discover possible study destinations HIGHLY RECOMMENDED	>	✓

I decided to go abroad!



× Close

Rental Offers



Room
Kaiser-Friedrich-Straße, Berlin

Room for rent in a shared apartment with 2 flatmates. The room for rent is located on the first floor in a furnished apartment with 2 other bedrooms in Kaiser...

1 room 0 m²

08/15/2023 - 08/15/2023

HousingAnywhere

EUR 450/month



Room
Grunewaldstraße, Berlin

THIS OFFER IS ONLY AVAILABLE FOR STUDENTS THAT ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY OR HOCHSCHULE IN THE CITY OF BERLIN! Private Room...

1 room 75 m²

10/13/2023 - 10/13/2023

HousingAnywhere

EUR 650/month

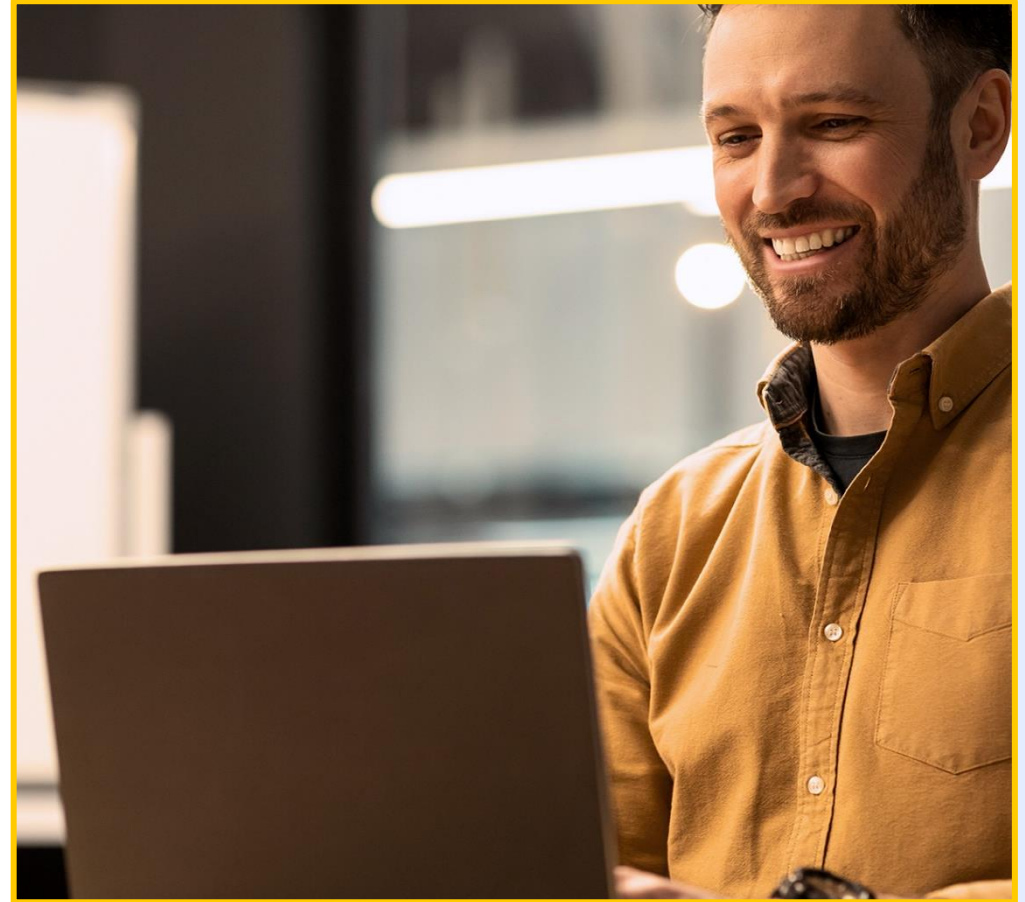


Accommodation module

- A new and necessary feature to help users find housing offers
- Leveraging on the HOME project, receiving and representing offers from trusted providers
- Transparent and useful information, quality labels and and filtering options to assist users pick the best offers

Updated documentation and link pages

- Updated FAQ entries
- A new useful links page
- Knowledge base updates
- Upcoming short video tutorials



Join our next event: town hall meeting on 16/04

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Thank you!