



Erasmus+ for higher education in Montenegro

What is Erasmus+ ?

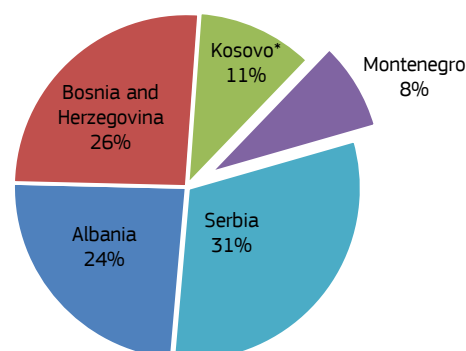
Erasmus+ is the European Union (EU) programme for education, training, youth and sport for the period 2014-2020. Erasmus+ funds academic mobility and cooperation projects that involve partners from "Programme Countries" and "Partner Countries" throughout the world. In 2019, 34 Programme Countries comprise the 28 EU Member States plus six other European countries*. Erasmus+ supports activities that are closely matched with the EU's priorities for cooperation policy with partner countries and regions. These factsheets look at the extent of an individual country's involvement in this international dimension of Erasmus+ since the programme started in 2014.

International credit mobility (ICM)

For over 30 years, students and staff have moved between European universities in the Erasmus programme. Since 2015, Erasmus+ has also allowed short-term mobility to Europe from other parts of the world for students, researchers, and staff. This two-way mobility allows students to study in a foreign university for 3-12 months and obtain credits which are then recognised at the sending institution as part of their degree. Starting in 2018, traineeships are also possible. There are also grants for staff mobility of 5-60 days.

There are distinct budgets for different regions of the world that are divided between all the European countries. Programme-Country institutions make up bilateral partnerships with universities from the Western Balkans countries and apply on behalf of their partners.

Regional ICM funding 2015-2019



For Serbia, this chart only shows mobility funded under the calls from 2015 to 2018. Serbia became a Programme Country in 2019.

	TOTAL	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Proposals received involving Montenegro	443	131	87	68	74	83
Projects selected involving Montenegro	344	117	69	54	55	49
Students and staff moving to Europe	2,008	843	361	275	254	275
Students and staff moving to Montenegro	1,188	536	220	166	135	131
Percentage of regional budget (see chart)	8.4	13.6	6.77	5.76	5.93	7.95

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJMDs) award EU-funded scholarships to Master students from around the world that cover covering tuition, travel, and a living allowance. The programmes last from one to two years during which students study in at least two different European countries, and obtain a joint, double degree, or multiple degree. Institutions from partner countries can also be part of the consortia that deliver these programmes (though this is not obligatory) as Full Partners, which means they officially award degrees, or as Associated Partners, where they participate in the programme in some kind of capacity, but do not award the actual joint degree.

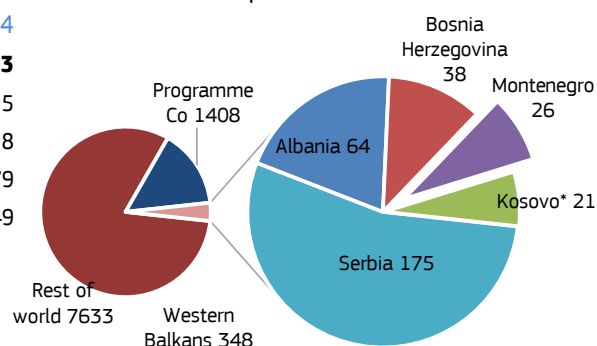
Montenegro in EMJMD projects

	TOTAL	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Total EMJMDs selected	204	51	44	39	27	32	11
Total proposals received	613	107	112	122	92	119	61
Proposals received involving Montenegro	3	0	2	1	0	0	0
EMJMDs selected involving Montenegro	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Full partners from Montenegro in EMJMDs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Associates from Montenegro in EMJMDs	2	0	1	1	0	0	0

Each EMJMD receives EU funding to award a certain number of scholarships to students worldwide. Additional scholarships are also available for students from regions comprising emerging or developing economies. Students apply directly to the programme coordinator and can find the programmes on the EMJMD catalogue (see links).

	TOTAL	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Scholarship-winners from Montenegro	26	5	1	3	1	3	13
from global budget	18	5	1	3	1	3	5
From additional regional budget	8	0	0	0	0	0	8
Scholarships worldwide	9,389	2,130	1,669	1,556	1,347	1,308	1,379
EM programmes offering scholarships	103	86	100	87	120	149	

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree Scholarships 2014-2019



Capacity-building for Higher Education

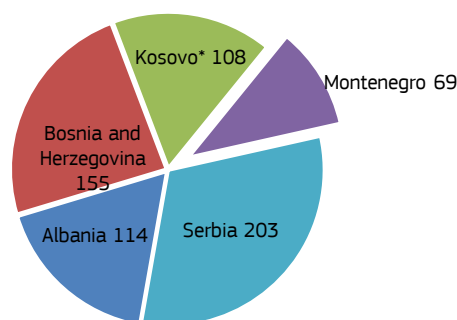
Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education action (CBHE) projects, which last from two to three years, are aimed at modernising and reforming higher education institutions, developing new curricula, improving governance, and building relationships between higher education institutions and enterprises. They can also tackle policy topics and issues, preparing the ground for higher education reform, in cooperation with national authorities. Around 9% of the annual global budget for CBHE projects is earmarked for Western Balkans countries.

Montenegro in CBHE projects	TOTAL	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Proposals received in call overall	3,811	840	887	833	736	515
Projects selected in call overall	744	163	147	149	147	138
Proposals received involving Montenegro	179	33	42	46	35	23
Projects selected involving Montenegro	27	9	6	3	5	4
Projects coordinated by Montenegro	6	3	1	0	2	0
Instances of participation from Montenegro in selected projects	69	27	15	4	15	8

in selected projects

Capacity building projects can be addressed to a group of countries or a single country. They can also be cross-regional, including institutions from different partner regions.

Participation in CBHE projects Western Balkans 2015-2019



Jean Monnet Activities

Jean Monnet (JM) activities aim to develop EU studies worldwide. For over 25 years they have been supporting Modules, Chairs, and Centres of Excellence to promote excellence in teaching and research on the European integration process at higher education level. The programme also supports policy debate with the academic world through networks and a number of associations in the domain of EU studies.

Montenegro in Jean Monnet	TOTAL	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Proposals received in call overall	6153	1315	1255	1177	1034	879	493
Projects selected in call	1500	285	235	238	270	260	212
Applications from Montenegro	13	2	2	3	1	4	1
Selected projects from Montenegro	2	0	1	1	0	0	0
Networks involving partners from Montenegro	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

More information:

Erasmus+ website: http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node_en

Erasmus+ projects & results: <http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects/>

Erasmus+ funding opportunities: http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/funding_en

Erasmus Mundus programme catalogue: https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/scholarships-catalogue_en

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

** In 2019 these six countries are Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey.