

Erasmus+: international higher education and Serbia

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 2020, 34 Programme Countries comprise the 27 EU Member States plus seven 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. These opportunities are set to continue in the new Erasmus+ programme 2021-27.

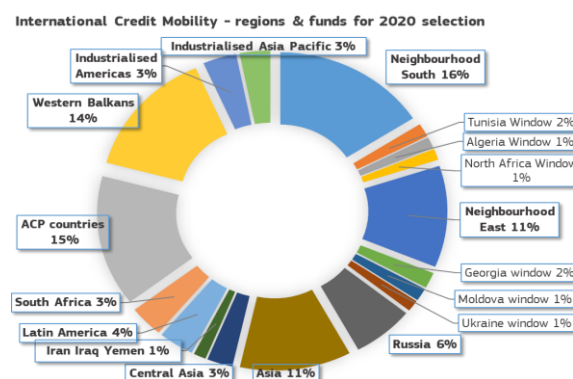
Serbia became a Programme Country from 2019 onwards - this factsheet shows its involvement with partner countries since then. A separate factsheet shows its involvement as a Partner Country from 2014 to 2018.

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. Since 2018, traineeships have also been an option. 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 may apply to their National Agency to seek Erasmus+ funding for their bilateral partnerships with universities from Partner Countries throughout the world.

	TOTAL	2020	2019
Proposals received involving Serbia	36	19	17
Projects selected involving Serbia	24	10	14
Students and staff coming to Serbia	323	202	121
Students and staff leaving Serbia	276	165	111
% funding awarded to Serbia	1,0	0,492	1,005



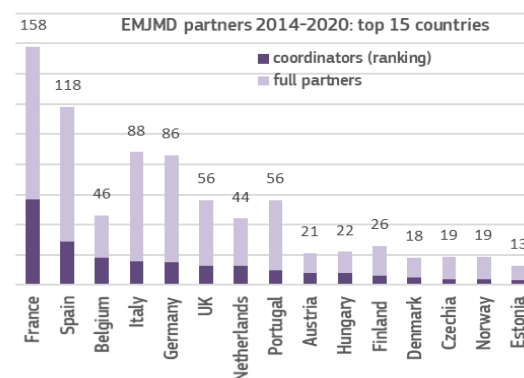
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

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.

Serbia in EMJMD projects

	TOTAL	2020	2019
Total EMJMDs selected	97	46	51
Total proposals received	207	100	107
Proposals received involving Serbia	10	8	2
EMJMDs selected involving Serbia	4	2	2
EMJMDs selected coordinated by Serbia	0	0	0
Full partners from Serbia in EMJMDs	0	0	0
Associates from Serbia in EMJMDs	4	2	2

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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).

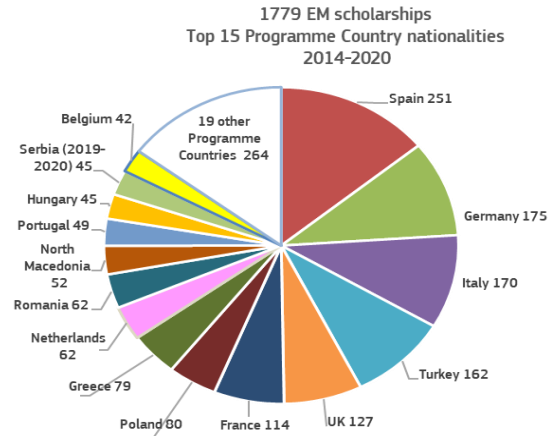
EM Masters scholarships, Serbia

Scholarships worldwide

Scholarships to Programme Countries

EM programmes offering scholarships

TOTAL	2020	2019
45	21	24
4.557	2427	2130
0	0	0
130	115	



Capacity-building for Higher Education

Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education action (CBHE) projects, which lasts 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.

Proposals received in call overall

Projects selected in call overall

Proposals received involving Serbia

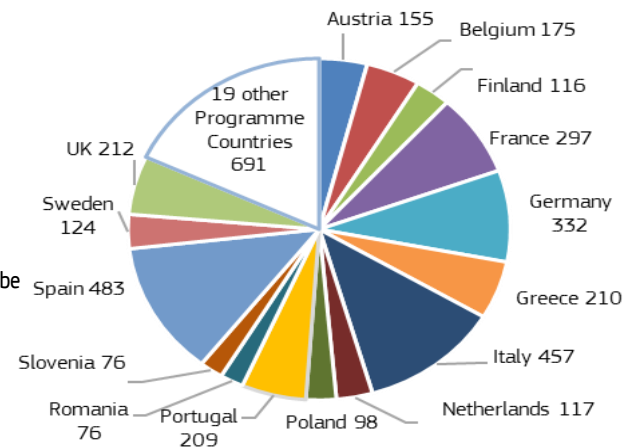
Projects selected involving Serbia

Projects coordinated by Serbia

Instances of participation from Serbia in selected projects

TOTAL	2020	2019
1.859	1019	840
327	164	163
97	66	31
15	8	7
6	2	4
18	8	10

Participation in CBHE, 2015-2020 - Top 15 Programme countries



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.

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.

Serbia in Jean Monnet

Proposals received in call overall

Projects selected in call

Applications from Serbia

Selected projects from Serbia

Networks involving partners from Serbia

TOTAL	2020	2019
2.762	1447	1315
647	362	285
25	8	17
9	5	4
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

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* In 2020 these countries are Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey and the United Kingdom.