

# Erasmus+: international higher education and Turkey

# 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.

#### 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. oility - regions & funds for 2020 selection

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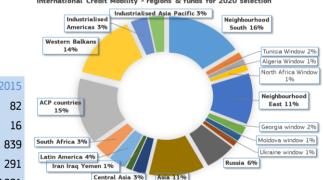
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There are distinct budgets for different regions of the world that are divided between all the European countries. Programme-Country institutions may apply to their National Agency to seek Erasmus+ funding for their bilateral partnerships with universities from Partner Countries thoroughout the world..

**TOTAL** 2020 2019 2018 2017 Proposals received involving Turkey 517 103 98 86 67 Projects selected involving Turkey 240 75 54 45 29 6.236 1.703 1.418 Students and staff coming to Turkey 471 825 Students and staff leaving Turkey 4.557 1.528 1.174 298 719 % funding awarded to Turkey 3,6 4,222 3,84 3,229 3,311 3,676 3,891



### **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.

Turkey in EMJMD projects	TOTAL	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014 1	158	EMJ	EMJMD partners 2014-2020: top 15 countries						
Total EMJMDs selected	250	46	51	44	39	27	32	11 -			coordinators (ranking)						
Total proposals received	713	100	107	112	122	92	119	61 -	Ŀ	118		Tuu pu	aicib				
Proposals received involving Turkey	48	8	6	7	6	5	11	5 -	ŀ	88	86						
EMJMDs selected involving Turkey	14	3	2	3	2	1	3	0 -	Ŀ		56	56					
EMJMDs selected coordinated by Turkey	1,0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0 -	i.	46	44						
Full partners from Turkey in EMJMDs	6	1	0	1	2	1	1	0	L			21	22	26	18	19	<sup>19</sup> 13
Associates from Turkey in EMJMDs	21	3	3	8	3	0	4	0		111	111	1.1					
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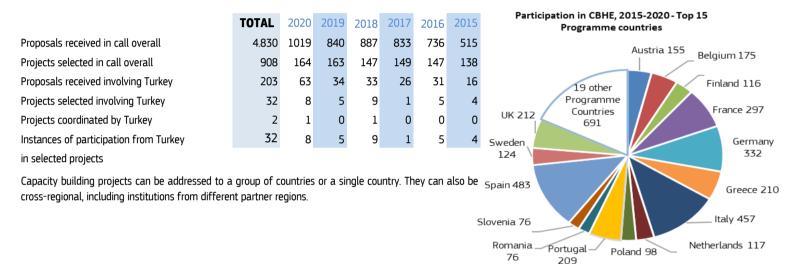
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Each EMJMD receives EU funding to award a certain number of scholarships to students worldwide. Additional scholarships are also available for students from regions comprising emerging or developing economies. Students apply directly to the programme coordinator and can find the programmes on the EMJMD catalogue (see links).



## 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.



#### 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.

Turkey in Jean Monnet	TOTAL	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Proposals received in call overall	7.600	1447	1315	1255	1177	1034	879	493
Projects selected in call	1.862	362	285	235	238	270	260	212
Applications from Turkey	159	27	28	17	17	27	31	12
Selected projects from Turkey	41	8	9	4	4	5	5	6
Networks involving partners from Turkey	8	0	1	2	1	2	1	1

## 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.