The EU and the UK have agreed to postpone the date of the withdrawal of the UK from the EU until 1 February 2020, unless a Withdrawal Agreement is ratified before that date, in which case the UK will withdraw on the first day of the month following that ratification.

In the case of ‘no deal’ you should know that as an EU citizen studying or training in the UK, you will be subject to UK rules on residency. The UK government has announced that you do not need to apply for any immigration status or visa if you do not intend to stay in the UK for more than 3 months. However, you will need to apply for “European Temporary Leave to Remain” to stay longer than 3 months.

I am an Erasmus+ student studying at a UK university on the date of the UK’s withdrawal. Will my learning exchange be interrupted?

No. The European Parliament and the Council have adopted Regulation (EU) 2019/499 to ensure that Union financing for ongoing learning mobility exchanges is not interrupted. The Regulation would apply to students in higher education, apprentices and pupils in vocational education and training, young people in non-formal learning activities, staff in education and training, persons active in youth work and youth leaders. You should note, however, that the Regulation only covers learning exchanges starting before the withdrawal date.

I have planned to go to a UK university after the UK’s withdrawal as an Erasmus+ student. Can I still go ahead?

Your plans for learning exchange might be affected. However, the Commission has proposed a Contingency Regulation for the 2020 EU budget that could, if adopted, enable the EU to continue funding Erasmus+ learning exchanges in the UK during 2020. However, whether you can go ahead would depend on a number of factors, e.g., whether the UK continues to pay to the EU budget for 2020 and on the UK host organisations (in your case the university), the date of the signature of the underlying agreement between the national agency and the university. You will need to check this directly with the university.

My school is taking part in a cooperation project with a UK school, funded by Erasmus+. Will our project continue after the UK’s withdrawal?

The cooperation project might be affected. If the Contingency Regulation for the 2020 EU budget is adopted and depending on the concrete situation, the project may continue to receive EU funding for costs incurred in 2020 under the conditions of that Regulation.

You will need to check this with the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency or your Erasmus+ National Agency².

My organisation is part of an ongoing cultural project, financed under the Creative Europe Programme. The project includes a UK partner. Can this project continue beyond the withdrawal date?

The cooperation project might be affected. If the Contingency Regulation for the 2020 EU budget is adopted and depending on the concrete situation, the project may continue to receive EU funding for costs incurred in 2020 under the conditions of that Regulation.

You will need to check this with the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency or Creative Europe desk³ in your Member State.

I am a researcher carrying out research in a UK research organisation with the financial support of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions. Will this support continue after the withdrawal date?

Your research project might be affected. If the Contingency Regulation for the 2020 EU budget is adopted and depending on the concrete situation, the project may continue to receive EU funding for costs incurred in 2020 under the conditions of that Regulation.

You should note that Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions will continue to support researchers in a EU⁴ Member State or a non-EU country that is associated to the Horizon 2020 programme.

You will need to check this with your supervisor and the dedicated project officer at the European Commission’s Research Executive Agency.

I am a volunteer or a person benefitting from a traineeship or job offered under the European Solidarity Corps. Can I still carry out my placement if it takes place in the UK or if a UK organisation is involved?

Your placement under the European Solidarity Corps might be affected. If the Contingency Regulation for the 2020 EU budget is adopted and depending on the concrete situation, the project may continue to receive EU funding for costs incurred in 2020 under the conditions of that Regulation.

You will need to check this with the organisation providing the funding for your placement.

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² https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/node/2105
³ https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/creative-europe/contact_en
⁴ In this context, “EU” means the 27 EU Member States after the UK withdraws from the Union.