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2023 annual work programme

"Erasmus+": the Union Programme for Education, Training, Youth and Sport

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

Having regard to Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046¹ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, and in particular Article 110 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2021/817² of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 establishing Erasmus+: the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013 and Decisions No 1719/2006/EC, No 1720/2006/EC and No 1298/2008/EC, and in particular Article 22 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No $2021/1529^3$ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 September 2021 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III), and in particular Article 5(3) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 2021/947⁴ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 09 June 2021 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument - Global Europe, amending and repealing Decision No 466/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) 2017/1601 and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 480/2009, and in particular Article 16 thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2021/1060⁵ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, and in particular Article 26 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) In order to ensure the implementation of Erasmus+ Programme, it is necessary to adopt an annual financing decision, which constitutes the annual work programme for

¹ OJ L 193, 30.7.2018, p.1

² OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p.1

³ OJ L 330, 20.9.2021, p.1

⁴ OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p.1

⁵ OJ L 231, 30.6.2021, p. 159

2023. Article 110 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 ('the Financial Regulation') establishes detailed rules on financing decisions.

- (2) The envisaged assistance is to comply with the conditions and procedures set out by the restrictive measures adopted pursuant to Article 215 TFEU.
- (3) The work programme contributes to climate and biodiversity mainstreaming in line with the European Green Deal and the inter-institutional agreement.
- (4) It is appropriate to authorise the award of grants without a call for proposals to the bodies identified in the work programme and to provide for the conditions for awarding those grants.
- (5) Pursuant to Article 62(1)(c) of the Financial Regulation and Article 18 of the Regulation (EU) No 2021/817 ('Erasmus+ Regulation'), indirect management is to be used for the implementation of the programme.
- (6) The Commission is to ensure a level of protection of the financial interests of the Union with regards to entities and persons entrusted with the implementation of Union funds by indirect management as provided for in Article 154(3) of the Financial Regulation. To this end, such entities and persons are to be subject to an assessment of their systems and procedures in accordance with Article 154(4) of the Financial Regulation⁶ and, if necessary, to appropriate supervisory measures in accordance with Article 154(5) of the Financial Regulation before a contribution agreement can be signed.
- (7) It is necessary to allow for the payment of interest due for late payment on the basis of Article 116(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (8) In order to allow for flexibility in the implementation of the work programme, it is appropriate to allow changes which should not be considered substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation.
- (9) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee established by Article 34 of Regulation (EU) 2021/817,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The work programme

The annual financing decision, constituting the annual work programme for the implementation of the Erasmus+ Programme for year 2023, as set out in the Annex, is adopted.

Article 2

Union contribution

The maximum Union contribution for the implementation of the programme for 2023 is set at EUR **4 171 450 285** and shall be financed from the appropriations entered in the following budget lines of the general budget of the Union:

• 07 02 13 - Erasmus+ - Contribution from the ESF+: EUR 12 000 000;

⁶ Except for the cases of Article 154(6) of the Financial Regulation, where the Commission may decide, not to require an ex-ante assessment

- 07 03 01 01 Promoting learning mobility of individuals, as well as cooperation, inclusion, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training– indirect management: EUR 2 486 660 000;
- 07 03 01 02 Promoting learning mobility of individuals, as well as cooperation, inclusion, excellence, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training direct management: EUR 811 766 374;
- 07 03 02 Promoting non-formal learning mobility and active participation among young people, as well as cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth: EUR 393 650 000;
- 07 03 03 Promoting learning mobility of sport coaches and staff, as well as cooperation, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of sport organisations and sport policies: EUR 72 140 621;
- 14 02 01 50 Erasmus+ NDICI Global Europe contribution: EUR 328 203 034;
- 15 02 01 02 Erasmus+ contribution from IPA III: EUR 67 030 256.

The appropriations provided for in the first paragraph may also cover interest due for late payment.

The implementation of this Decision is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft general budget of the Union for 2023, following the adoption of that budget by the budget authority or as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths. Likewise, it is subject to the availability of the appropriations and contributions of EFTA and other participating countries to the programme.

Article 3

Methods of implementation and entrusted entities or persons

The implementation of the actions carried out by way of indirect management, as set out in the Annex, may be entrusted to the entities or persons referred to or selected in accordance with the criteria laid down in point 1.3 of that Annex.

Article 4

Flexibility clause

Cumulated changes to the allocations to specific actions not exceeding 20% of the maximum Union contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2 of this Decision shall not be considered to be substantial for the purposes of Article 110(5) of the Financial Regulation, where those changes do not significantly affect the nature of the actions and the objective of the work programme. The increase of the maximum Union contribution set in the first paragraph of Article 2 of this Decision shall not exceed 20%. These changes and increases are possible only within Headings.

As regards actions implemented by national agencies under Article 62(1)(c) of the Financial Regulation, changes to the distribution of funds among programme countries are not considered to be substantial, provided that a possible budget change for a country does not exceed 20% of the total funds implemented under Article 62(1)(c).

The authorising officer responsible may apply the changes referred to in the first and second paragraphs. Those changes shall be applied in accordance with the principles of sound financial management and proportionality.

Article 5 Grants

Grants may be awarded without a call for proposals in accordance with the conditions set out in the Annex. Grants may be awarded to the bodies referred to in the Annex.

Done at Brussels, 25.8.2022

For the Commission Mariya GABRIEL Member of the Commission



COMMISSION EUROPÉENNE

> Bruxelles, le 25.8.2022 C(2022) 6002 final

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LA COMMISSION EUROPÉENNE,

vu le traité sur le fonctionnement de l'Union européenne,

vu le règlement (UE, Euratom) $2018/1046^1$ du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 18 juillet 2018 relatif aux règles financières applicables au budget général de l'Union, modifiant les règlements (UE) n° 1296/2013, (UE) n° 1301/2013, (UE) n° 1303/2013, (UE) n° 1304/2013, (UE) n° 1309/2013, (UE) n° 1316/2013, (UE) n° 223/2014, (UE) n° 283/2014 et la décision n° 541/2014/UE, et abrogeant le règlement (UE, Euratom) n° 966/2012, et notamment son article 110,

vu le règlement (UE) $2021/817^2$ du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 20 mai 2021 établissant Erasmus+, le programme de l'Union pour l'éducation et la formation, la jeunesse et le sport, et abrogeant le règlement (UE) n° 1288/2013 et les décisions n° 1719/2006/CE, n° 1720/2006/CE et n° 1298/2008/CE, et notamment son article 22,

vu le règlement (UE) 2021/1529³ du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 15 septembre 2021 instituant l'instrument d'aide de préadhésion (IAP III), et notamment son article 5, paragraphe 3,

vu le règlement (UE) $2021/947^4$ du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 9 juin 2021 établissant l'instrument de voisinage, de coopération au développement et de coopération internationale — Europe dans le monde, modifiant et abrogeant la décision n° 466/2014/UE du Parlement européen et du Conseil et abrogeant le règlement (UE) 2017/1601 du Parlement européen et du Conseil et le règlement (CE, Euratom) n° 480/2009 du Conseil, et notamment son article 16,

vu le règlement (UE) 2021/1060⁵ du Parlement européen et du Conseil du 24 juin 2021 portant dispositions communes relatives au Fonds européen de développement régional, au Fonds social européen plus, au Fonds de cohésion, au Fonds pour une transition juste et au Fonds européen pour les affaires maritimes, la pêche et l'aquaculture, et établissant les règles financières applicables à ces Fonds et au Fonds «Asile, migration et intégration», au Fonds pour la sécurité intérieure et à l'instrument de soutien financier à la gestion des frontières et à la politique des visas, et notamment son article 26,

considérant ce qui suit:

(1) Aux fins de la mise en œuvre du programme Erasmus+, il y a lieu d'adopter une décision de financement annuelle, qui constitue le programme de travail annuel

¹ JO L 193 du 30.7.2018, p. 1.

² JO L 189 du 28.5.2021, p. 1.

³ JO L 330 du 20.9.2021, p. 1.

⁴ JO L 209 du 14.6.2021, p. 1.

⁵ JO L 231 du 30.6.2021, p. 159.

pour 2023. L'article 110 du règlement (UE, Euratom) 2018/1046 (ci-après le «règlement financier») établit des règles détaillées en matière de décisions de financement.

- (2) L'assistance envisagée doit respecter les conditions et procédures établies par les mesures restrictives adoptées conformément à l'article 215 du TFUE.
- (3) Le programme de travail contribue à l'intégration du climat et de la biodiversité dans les politiques, conformément au pacte vert pour l'Europe et à l'accord interinstitutionnel.
- (4) Il convient d'autoriser l'octroi de subventions sans appel à propositions aux organismes mentionnés dans le programme de travail et de prévoir les conditions d'octroi de ces subventions.
- (5) Conformément à l'article 62, paragraphe 1, point c), du règlement financier et à l'article 18 du règlement (UE) 2021/817 (ci-après le «règlement Erasmus+»), le programme sera mis en œuvre en gestion indirecte.
- (6) La Commission doit assurer un niveau de protection des intérêts financiers de l'Union en ce qui concerne les entités et les personnes chargées de l'exécution des fonds de l'Union en gestion indirecte, conformément à l'article 154, paragraphe 3, du règlement financier. À cette fin, ces entités et personnes doivent soumettre leurs systèmes et procédures à une évaluation conformément à l'article 154, paragraphe 4, du règlement financier⁶ et, le cas échéant, à des mesures de surveillance appropriées conformément à l'article 154, paragraphe 5, du règlement financier avant qu'une convention de contribution puisse être signée.
- (7) Il convient de permettre le paiement d'intérêts de retard sur le fondement de l'article 116, paragraphe 5, du règlement financier.
- (8) Pour permettre une certaine flexibilité dans la mise en œuvre du programme de travail, il y a lieu d'autoriser des modifications qui ne devraient pas être considérées comme substantielles aux fins de l'article 110, paragraphe 5, du règlement financier.
- (9) Les mesures prévues par la présente décision sont conformes à l'avis du comité institué par l'article 34 du règlement (UE) 2021/817,

DÉCIDE:

Article premier

Programme de travail

La décision de financement annuelle, constituant le programme de travail annuel destiné à la mise en œuvre du programme Erasmus+ pour 2023, qui figure en annexe, est adoptée.

Article 2

Contribution de l'Union

Le montant maximal de la contribution de l'Union destinée à la mise en œuvre du programme pour 2023 est fixé à **4 171 450 285** EUR, à financer sur les crédits inscrits aux lignes suivantes du budget général de l'Union:

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Sauf dans les cas prévus à l'article 154, paragraphe 6, du règlement financier, où la Commission peut décider de ne pas exiger une évaluation ex ante.

- 07 02 13 Erasmus+ Contribution du FSE+: 12 000 000 EUR;
- 07 03 01 01 Promouvoir la mobilité des individus à des fins d'éducation et de formation, ainsi que la coopération, l'inclusion, l'excellence, la créativité et l'innovation au niveau des organisations et des politiques dans le domaine de l'éducation et de la formation Gestion indirecte: 2 486 660 000 EUR;
- 07 03 01 02 Promouvoir la mobilité des individus à des fins d'éducation et de formation, ainsi que la coopération, l'inclusion, l'excellence, la créativité et l'innovation au niveau des organisations et des politiques dans le domaine de l'éducation et de la formation Gestion directe: 811 766 374 EUR;
- 07 03 02 Promouvoir la mobilité à des fins d'apprentissage non formel et la participation active des jeunes, ainsi que la coopération, l'inclusion, la créativité et l'innovation au niveau des organisations et des politiques dans le domaine de la jeunesse: 393 650 000 EUR;
- 07 03 03 Promouvoir la mobilité à des fins d'éducation et de formation des entraîneurs et du personnel sportifs, ainsi que la coopération, l'inclusion, la créativité et l'innovation au niveau des organisations sportives et des politiques sportives: 72 140 621 EUR;
- 14 02 01 50 Erasmus+ IVCDCI Contribution de l'Europe dans le monde: 328 203 034 EUR;
- 15 02 01 02 Erasmus+ contribution de l'IAP III: 67 030 256 EUR.

Les crédits prévus au premier alinéa peuvent également couvrir les intérêts de retard.

La mise en œuvre de la présente décision est subordonnée à la disponibilité des crédits qui sont prévus dans le projet de budget général de l'Union pour 2023, après l'adoption de celuici par l'autorité budgétaire, ou qui sont prévus par le régime des douzièmes provisoires. De même, elle est subordonnée à la disponibilité des crédits et des contributions des pays de l'AELE et des autres pays participant au programme.

Article 3

Modes d'exécution et entités ou personnes chargées de l'exécution

L'exécution des actions réalisées en gestion indirecte, telles qu'exposées dans l'annexe, peut être confiée aux entités ou aux personnes mentionnées ou sélectionnées conformément aux critères fixés au point 1.3 de ladite annexe.

Article 4

Clause de flexibilité

Les modifications cumulées des crédits alloués aux actions spécifiques ne dépassant pas 20 % du montant maximal de la contribution de l'Union fixé à l'article 2, premier alinéa, de la présente décision ne sont pas considérées comme substantielles aux fins de l'article 110, paragraphe 5, du règlement financier, lorsqu'elles n'ont pas d'incidence significative sur la nature des actions ni sur l'objectif du programme de travail. L'augmentation du montant maximal de la contribution de l'Union fixé à l'article 2, premier alinéa, de la présente décision ne dépasse pas 20 %. Ces modifications et augmentations ne sont possibles qu'à l'intérieur des rubriques.

En ce qui concerne les actions mises en œuvre par les agences nationales conformément à l'article 62, paragraphe 1, point c), du règlement financier, les modifications apportées à la répartition des fonds entre les pays participant au programme ne sont pas considérées comme substantielles si la modification budgétaire éventuelle pour un pays ne dépasse pas 20 % du total des fonds exécutés en application de l'article 62, paragraphe 1, point c).

L'ordonnateur compétent peut appliquer les modifications visées aux premier et deuxième alinéas. Ces modifications sont appliquées dans le respect des principes de bonne gestion financière et de proportionnalité.

Article 5

Subventions

Des subventions peuvent être octroyées sans appel à propositions dans les conditions précisées en annexe. Des subventions peuvent être octroyées aux organismes mentionnés en annexe.

Fait à Bruxelles, le 25.8.2022

Par la Commission Mariya GABRIEL Membre de la Commission



EUROPÄISCHE KOMMISSION

> Brüssel, den 25.8.2022 C(2022) 6002 final

DURCHFÜHRUNGSBESCHLUSS DER KOMMISSION

vom 25.8.2022

über die Finanzierung von Erasmus+, dem Programm der Union für allgemeine und berufliche Bildung, Jugend und Sport, und zur Annahme des Arbeitsprogramms für 2023

DURCHFÜHRUNGSBESCHLUSS DER KOMMISSION

vom 25.8.2022

über die Finanzierung von Erasmus+, dem Programm der Union für allgemeine und berufliche Bildung, Jugend und Sport, und zur Annahme des Arbeitsprogramms für 2023

DIE EUROPÄISCHE KOMMISSION —

gestützt auf den Vertrag über die Arbeitsweise der Europäischen Union,

gestützt auf die Verordnung (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046¹ des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates vom 18. Juli 2018 über die Haushaltsordnung für den Gesamthaushaltsplan der Union, zur Änderung der Verordnungen (EU) Nr. 1296/2013, (EU) Nr. 1301/2013, (EU) Nr. 1303/2013, (EU) Nr. 1304/2013, (EU) Nr. 1309/2013, (EU) Nr. 1316/2013, (EU) Nr. 223/2014, (EU) Nr. 283/2014 und des Beschlusses Nr. 541/2014/EU sowie zur Aufhebung der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) Nr. 966/2012, insbesondere auf Artikel 110,

gestützt auf die Verordnung (EU) 2021/817² des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates vom 20. Mai 2021 zur Einrichtung von Erasmus+, dem Programm der Union für allgemeine und berufliche Bildung, Jugend und Sport, und zur Aufhebung der Verordnung (EU) Nr. 1288/2013 und der Beschlüsse Nr. 1719/2006/EG, Nr. 1720/2006/EG und Nr. 1298/2008/EG, insbesondere auf Artikel 22,

gestützt auf die Verordnung (EU) 2021/1529³ des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates vom 15. September 2021 zur Schaffung des Instruments für Heranführungshilfe (IPA III), insbesondere auf Artikel 5 Absatz 3,

gestützt auf die Verordnung (EU) 2021/947⁴ des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates vom 9. Juni 2021 zur Schaffung des Instruments für Nachbarschaft, Entwicklungszusammenarbeit und internationale Zusammenarbeit – Europa in der Welt, zur Änderung und Aufhebung des Beschlusses Nr. 466/2014/EU und zur Aufhebung der Verordnung (EU) 2017/1601 und der Verordnung (EG, Euratom) Nr. 480/2009 des Rates, insbesondere auf Artikel 16,

gestützt auf die Verordnung (EU) 2021/1060⁵ des Europäischen Parlaments und des Rates vom 24. Juni 2021 mit gemeinsamen Bestimmungen für den Europäischen Fonds für regionale Entwicklung, den Europäischen Sozialfonds Plus, den Kohäsionsfonds, den Fonds für einen gerechten Übergang und den Europäischen Meeres-, Fischerei- und Aquakulturfonds sowie mit Haushaltsvorschriften für diese Fonds und für den Asyl-, Migrations- und Integrationsfonds, den Fonds für die innere Sicherheit und das Instrument für finanzielle Hilfe im Bereich Grenzverwaltung und Visumpolitik, insbesondere auf Artikel 26,

in Erwägung nachstehender Gründe:

¹ ABl. L 193 vom 30.7.2018, S. 1.

² ABl. L 189 vom 28.5.2021, S. 1.

³ AB1. L 330 vom 20.9.2021, S. 1.

⁴ AB1. L 209 vom 14.6.2021, S. 1.

⁵ ABl. L 231 vom 30.6.2021, S. 159.

- (1) Damit die Durchführung des Programms Erasmus+ gewährleistet werden kann, ist die Annahme eines jährlichen Finanzierungsbeschlusses erforderlich, der das Arbeitsprogramm für das Jahr 2023 darstellt. In Artikel 110 der Verordnung (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 (im Folgenden "Haushaltsordnung") sind ausführliche Vorschriften für Finanzierungsbeschlüsse festgelegt.
- (2) Bei der geplanten Unterstützung sind die Bedingungen und Verfahren einzuhalten, die im Rahmen der nach Artikel 215 AEUV erlassenen restriktiven Maßnahmen festgelegt sind.
- (3) Das Arbeitsprogramm trägt zur durchgängigen Berücksichtigung des Klimaschutzes und der biologischen Vielfalt im Einklang mit dem europäischen Grünen Deal und der interinstitutionellen Vereinbarung bei.
- (4) Es ist angezeigt, für die im Arbeitsprogramm angegebenen Einrichtungen die Gewährung von Finanzhilfen ohne Aufforderung zur Einreichung von Vorschlägen zu genehmigen und die Bedingungen für die Gewährung dieser Finanzhilfen festzulegen.
- (5) Gemäß Artikel 62 Absatz 1 Buchstabe c der Haushaltsordnung und Artikel 18 der Verordnung (EU) 2021/817 (im Folgenden "Erasmus+-Verordnung") muss das Programm in indirekter Mittelverwaltung durchgeführt werden.
- (6) In Bezug auf Stellen und Personen, die mit der indirekten Verwaltung von Unionsmitteln betraut sind, hat die Kommission sicherzustellen, dass die finanziellen Interessen der Union in dem in Artikel 154 Absatz 3 der Haushaltsordnung vorgesehenen Maße geschützt werden. Zu diesem Zweck sind die Systeme und Verfahren dieser Stellen und Personen nach Artikel 154 Absatz 4 der Haushaltsordnung⁶ zu bewerten und erforderlichenfalls nach Artikel 154 Absatz 5 der Haushaltsordnung geeigneten Aufsichtsmaßnahmen zu unterziehen, bevor eine Beitragsvereinbarung unterzeichnet werden kann.
- (7) Es ist notwendig, die Zahlung von Verzugszinsen gemäß Artikel 116 Absatz 5 der Haushaltsordnung vorzusehen.
- (8) Im Interesse einer flexiblen Durchführung des Arbeitsprogramms sollten Änderungen zugelassen werden, die für die Zwecke des Artikels 110 Absatz 5 der Haushaltsordnung nicht als substanziell anzusehen sind.
- (9) Die in diesem Beschluss vorgesehenen Maßnahmen entsprechen der Stellungnahme des nach Artikel 34 der Verordnung (EU) 2021/817 eingesetzten Ausschusses —

BESCHLIEßT:

Artikel 1

Arbeitsprogramm

Der im Anhang dargelegte jährliche Finanzierungsbeschluss, der das Jahresarbeitsprogramm für die Umsetzung des Programms Erasmus+ für das Jahr 2023 darstellt, wird angenommen.

⁶ Dies gilt nicht in Fällen gemäß Artikel 154 Absatz 6 der Haushaltsordnung, in denen die Kommission beschließen kann, keine Ex-ante-Bewertung zu verlangen.

Artikel 2

Beitrag der Union

Der Höchstbeitrag der Union für die Durchführung des Programms für 2023 beläuft sich auf **4 171 450 285** EUR und wird aus Mitteln finanziert, die unter den folgenden Haushaltslinien des Gesamthaushaltsplans der Union eingestellt wurden:

- 07 02 13 Erasmus+ Beitrag aus dem ESF+: 12 000 000 EUR
- 07 03 01 01 Förderung der Lernmobilität von Einzelpersonen sowie der Zusammenarbeit, Inklusion, Exzellenz, Kreativität und Innovation auf Ebene von Organisationen der allgemeinen und beruflichen Bildung und der Bildungspolitik indirekte Mittelverwaltung: 2 486 660 000 EUR
- 07 03 01 02 Förderung der Lernmobilität von Einzelpersonen sowie der Zusammenarbeit, Inklusion, Exzellenz, Kreativität und Innovation auf Ebene von Organisationen der allgemeinen und beruflichen Bildung und der Bildungspolitik direkte Mittelverwaltung: 811 766 374 EUR
- 07 03 02 Förderung der nichtformalen Lernmobilität und der aktiven Teilnahme junger Menschen sowie der Zusammenarbeit, Inklusion, Kreativität und Innovation auf der Ebene von Jugendorganisationen und der Jugendpolitik: 393 650 000 EUR
- 07 03 03 Förderung der Lernmobilität von Sporttrainern und anderem Personal im Sportbereich, sowie der Zusammenarbeit, Inklusion, Kreativität und Innovation auf der Ebene von Sportorganisationen und der Sportpolitik: 72 140 621 EUR
- 14 02 01 50 Erasmus+ Beitrag aus dem NDICI/Europa in der Welt: 328 203 034 EUR
- 15 02 01 02 Erasmus+ Beitrag aus dem IPA III: 67 030 256 EUR

Die in Absatz 1 genannten Haushaltsmittel können auch Verzugszinsen abdecken.

Dieser Beschluss kann nur umgesetzt werden, wenn die im Entwurf des Gesamthaushaltsplans der Union für 2023 vorgesehenen Mittel infolge des Erlasses des Haushaltsplans durch die Haushaltsbehörde verfügbar sind oder nach der Regelung der vorläufigen Zwölftel bereitstehen. Desgleichen kann er nur umgesetzt werden, wenn die Mittel und Beiträge der EFTA-Staaten und anderer an dem Programm teilnehmender Länder verfügbar sind.

Artikel 3

Art des Haushaltsvollzugs und mit dem Vollzug betraute Stellen oder Personen

Die Maßnahmen, die nach Maßgabe des Anhangs in indirekter Mittelverwaltung umgesetzt werden, können Stellen oder Personen anvertraut werden, die in Nummer 1.3 des Anhangs genannt sind oder nach den dort festgelegten Kriterien ausgewählt wurden.

Artikel 4

Flexibilitätsklausel

Änderungen der Mittelzuweisungen für einzelne Maßnahmen, die in der Summe 20 % des in Artikel 2 Absatz 1 dieses Beschlusses festgesetzten Höchstbeitrags der Union nicht übersteigen, gelten als nicht substanziell für die Zwecke des Artikels 110 Absatz 5 der Haushaltsordnung, wenn sie sich nicht wesentlich auf die Art der Maßnahmen und die Zielsetzung des Arbeitsprogramms auswirken. Der in Artikel 2 Absatz 1 dieses Beschlusses festgelegte Höchstbeitrag der Union darf sich nicht um mehr als 20 % erhöhen. Diese Änderungen und Erhöhungen sind nur innerhalb von Haushaltslinien möglich.

Für Maßnahmen, die gemäß Artikel 62 Absatz 1 Buchstabe c der Haushaltsordnung von nationalen Agenturen durchgeführt werden, gilt, dass Änderungen bei der Aufteilung der Mittel auf die Programmländer nicht als substanziell anzusehen sind, wenn die mögliche Änderung der Mittelausstattung für ein Land nicht mehr als 20 % der Gesamtmittel ausmacht, die auf der Grundlage des Artikels 62 Absatz 1 Buchstabe c verwaltet werden.

Der zuständige Anweisungsbefugte kann die in den Absätzen 1 und 2 genannten Änderungen vornehmen. Derartige Änderungen werden im Einklang mit den Grundsätzen der Wirtschaftlichkeit der Haushaltsführung und der Verhältnismäßigkeit vorgenommen.

Artikel 5 Finanzhilfen

Finanzhilfen können gemäß den im Anhang dargelegten Bedingungen ohne Aufforderung zur Einreichung von Vorschlägen gewährt werden. Finanzhilfen können den im Anhang genannten Einrichtungen gewährt werden.

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Für die Kommission Mariya GABRIEL Mitglied der Kommission EN

ANNEX

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1. OVERVIEW

1.1. OBJECTIVES AND ACTIONS OF THE PROGRAMME

According to the Regulation (EU) 2021/817 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 establishing Erasmus+: the Union Programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Regulation No 1288/2013¹ (hereinafter 'the Regulation'), the general objective of the Programme is to support, through lifelong learning, the educational, professional and personal development of people in education, training, youth and sport, in Europe and beyond, thereby contributing to sustainable growth, quality jobs and social cohesion, to driving innovation, and to strengthening European identity and active citizenship. The Programme shall be a key instrument for building a European Education Area, supporting the implementation of the European strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond, with its underlying sectoral agendas, advancing youth policy cooperation under the Union Youth Strategy 2019-2027 and developing the European dimension in sport. The programme also offers a strong international dimension contributing to a stronger voice for European in the world.

The Programme will contribute to putting in practice the principles of the European Pillar of Social Rights², and to implementing the flagship initiatives of the European Skills Agenda, which aims at helping individuals and businesses develop more and better skills and to put them to use.

In this framework, the Programme has the following **specific objectives** to promote:

- the learning mobility of individuals and groups, and cooperation, quality, inclusion and equity, excellence, creativity, and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of education and training;
- non-formal and informal learning mobility and active participation among young people, and cooperation, quality, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of organisations and policies in the field of youth;
- the learning mobility of sport staff, and cooperation, quality, inclusion, creativity and innovation at the level of sport organisations and sport policies.

In order to achieve its objectives, the Erasmus+ Programme implements the following Actions:

- Key Action 1 Learning mobility;
- Key Action 2 Cooperation among organisations and institutions;
- Key Action 3 Support to policy development and cooperation;
- Jean Monnet actions.

¹ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32021R0817&qid=1622186232554

 $^{^2}$ In particular first principle (everyone has the right to quality and inclusive education, training and lifelong learning) and fourth principle (everyone has the right to timely and tailor-made assistance to improve employment or self-employment prospects, including to receive support for training and re-qualification).

As far as the **programme architecture** is concerned, Sport activities are now streamlined and follow the same structure as for Education and training and Youth chapters, including for key action 1. The general structure is quite stable compared with the previous Programme 2014-2020, to ensure continuity while aiming to increase impact. In terms of **scope**, the Programme covers all education and training sectors i.e. school education, vocational education and training, higher education and adult learning, as well as youth and sport.

1.2. PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

EU Member States take part in the Erasmus+ Programme. In accordance with Article 33(2) and (3) of the Council Decision 2013/755/EU on the association of the overseas countries and territories with the European Union³, the Union has to ensure that individuals and organisations from Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs) can take part in educational and vocational training related initiatives of the Union on the same basis as Member States.

In addition, in accordance with article 19 of the Erasmus+ Regulation, the following third countries are associated to the Programme in 2023:

- members of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which are members of the European Economic Area (EEA): Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein;
- acceding countries, candidate countries and potential candidates: Republic of North Macedonia, Republic of Turkey and Republic of Serbia.

Individuals and organisations from the OCTs are participating in the Programme on an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme status, being the Member State with which they are connected.

Furthermore, in accordance with article 20 of the Regulation, entities from other third countries not associated to the programme can be eligible in Erasmus+ actions in duly justified cases and in the Union interest⁴.

1.3. BODIES IMPLEMENTING THE PROGRAMME

The European Commission (Directorate-General Education, Youth, Sport and Culture - EAC) is responsible for the implementation of the Erasmus+ Programme. It manages the budget and sets priorities, targets and criteria for the Programme on an on-going basis. For actions funded by the EU external action instruments, the Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA) and the Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR) set the priorities in accordance with the EU's external policy. Furthermore, it guides and monitors the general implementation, follow-up and evaluation of the Programme at European level. The European Commission also bears overall responsibility for the supervision and coordination of the structures in charge of implementing the Programme at national level (indirect management). It also directly manages certain actions of the Programme. At European level, the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) is responsible for the implementation of certain actions of the Erasmus+ Programme (direct management).

Implementation by the European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) is carried out according to the Commission Decision C(2021)951 delegating powers to the European Education and Culture Executive Agency with a view to the performance of tasks linked to the implementation of Union Programmes in the field of education, audiovisual and culture, citizenship and solidarity, comprising in particular implementation of appropriations entered in the general budget of the Union.

³ OJ L 344, 19.12.2013, p.1

⁴ Organisations and individuals of third countries not associated to the Programme may be excluded from taking part in Erasmus+ based on restrictive measures enforced at EU level.

Some actions under Key Actions 2 and 3 in the fields of adult education, vocational education and training as well as skills and qualifications are partly or fully co-delegated to the Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (DG EMPL). It is also foreseen to co-delegate certain actions under Key Action 3 related to multilingualism to the Directorate-General for Translation (DGT). The co-delegated actions are indicated in Part II of this Work Programme. DG EAC liaises closely on all aspects related to the international actions funded by the Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA) and the Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), and where relevant with the Foreign Policy Instruments Service (FPI) and the Delegations of the European Union in the third countries not associated to the Programme.

The Erasmus+ Programme is mainly implemented through indirect management. The European Commission entrusts budget implementation tasks to designated National Agencies established in each Member State and third country associated to the Programme, in line with Article 62 (1)(c) and Article 154 of the Financial Regulation⁵. National authorities monitor and supervise the management of the Programme at national level.

In accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c)(ii) and 156(1) of the Financial Regulation, with reference to Pillar Assessed International Organisations, the Commission may entrust them budget implementation tasks via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode.

⁵ Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and amending Regulation (EC) No 2012/2002, Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Decision No 541/2014/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, OJ L 193, 30.7.2018.

2. ERASMUS+ IN 2023

2.1 POLICY FRAMEWORK

Education, training, youth and sport have a crucial role to play in helping the Union in reorienting its economic model towards more sustainability, with green and digital transitions as its transformative drivers. Rooted in the Rome Declaration of 25 March 2017⁶ where the EU leaders pledged to work towards *a Union where young people receive the best education and training and can study and find jobs across the continent*, the European Pillar of Social Rights⁷ that enshrines the right to quality and inclusive education, training and lifelong learning, and the Strategic Agenda for the EU for 2019-2024 that stresses that Member States "*must step up investment in people's skills and education*", President von der Leyen committed to making the European Education Area a reality by 2025. To achieve this, the objective is to make quality and borderless learning available for all, everywhere in Europe, to change the culture of education towards lifelong learning, and to get Europe up to speed on digital skills for young people and adults alike.

Education is essential for the personal, social and professional fulfilment of the citizens. It also stands at the heart of Europe's social market economy as the foundation for economic and social convergence. It helps strengthen people's employability, helps building societal and personal empowerment and resilience, and helps the EU play a stronger role in a global, increasingly digital and knowledge-based world. The **European Education Area**⁸ also helps mitigating the consequences on the COVID-19 pandemic on learning, skills development and employment prospects of young people. The European Education Area – for which Erasmus+ is instrumental – aims to turn Europe into a genuine European learning space where Member States cooperate closely based on a shared vision for making Europe ready to face the digital and green transitions.

Erasmus+ is a major contributor to the achievement of the European Education Area objectives as outlined in the overall architecture. The Programme will help drive systemic impact in mainstreaming innovative policies and accelerating new practices that improve the **quality and relevance in the fields of education and training, youth work and youth policy** throughout Europe, at national, regional and local level.

Erasmus+ also remains true to its mission for 35 years i.e. being the **Union main instrument to support young people's mobility**, offering **increased opportunities for high quality level learning mobility for learners and staff,** enabling the pursuit of studies and learning paths in different stages of life. In this respect, the Programme will resume to a full extent its long-standing mission to support transnational learning mobility in 2023; the demand for mobility resumed in 2022, after the restrictions it suffered in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Significant is the impact of **Erasmus+ in the world:** the international dimension of education and training, youth and sports in third countries is a key factor in **promoting the Union's action globally, its external action objectives, geopolitical priorities and principles**. In line with the 2019 Council Conclusions 'Towards an ever more sustainable Union by 2030'⁹, education, the development of knowledge and skills, as well as the development of a sense of responsibility for a **more sustainable world, environmental protection and global citizenship** are key drivers for sustainable development.

⁶ <u>http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2017/03/25/rome-declaration/pdf</u>

⁷ <u>https://ec.europa.eu/commission/priorities/deeper-and-fairer-economic-and-monetary-union/european-pillar-social-rights_en;</u> the Pillar of Social Rights builds on previous initiatives towards a more social Europe, including the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the EU.

⁸ COM (2020) 625 final.

⁹ <u>https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/39019/st08286-en19.pdf</u>

In this regard, the **strong international dimension of the programme** strengthens cooperation ties between Erasmus+ participation countries and other countries of the world through learning mobility, education exchanges and capacity building, nurturing social resilience, human development, employability, active participation and ensuring regular channels for people-to-people contacts and connectivity worldwide. In so doing, Erasmus+ builds a positive image of Europe in the world, spreading its fundamental values, thus also facilitating international policy dialogue and EU public diplomacy actions.

In this general framework, utmost efforts will be made to ensure that Erasmus+ provides strong support to the consequences on learning due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The Programme can play a significant role in addressing the educational challenges brought in by this dramatic situation and by a fast-changing geopolitical context. In particular, the European Union has seen in 2022 the arrival of millions of people, including many children and young people, compelled to flee as a consequence of the Russian war of **aggression**. As underlined by the Commission Communication adopted on 23 March 2022^{10} , the Erasmus+ Programme can support the arrivals and help the education and training systems to cope, helping on the ground learners and teachers, early childhood education and care providers, schools, vocational education and training institutes and higher education institutions, as well as youth work organisations and NGOs, in order to ensure continued and mobilise the support necessary to ensure quality and inclusive learning learning. Erasmus+ can indeed build on its overarching priorities, such as inclusion and participation in democratic life, its in-built flexibility and its European platforms. Support will also be available for activities and policies as a vehicle to promote values, the personal and social development of individuals and to build more resilient and cohesive communities.

Inclusion is at the core of Erasmus+ implementation; as a Union's flagship Programme, Erasmus+ will increase investment in initiatives that **support learning opportunities for all**, **educational equity and increase participation rates of people with fewer opportunities**, through flexible and simple participation formats, more help to prepare and accompany participants in their Erasmus+ learning adventure, but also through financial support for those who think Erasmus+ is not for them.

The Programme will also contribute to deliver on **the twin digital and green transitions** through horizontal priorities as well as through dedicated actions offering fora to exchange, collaborate, mobilise expertise and develop creative approaches. Access to high quality **digital education and blended learning opportunities**,¹¹ **foster teachers', youth leaders' and youth workers' capacity to use digital tools and content,** or increasing investment in **European online platforms** for virtual cooperation and digital education are among the key actions the Programme is supporting. Sustainability and supporting the green transition in line with the Commission proposal for a Council Recommendation on learning for environmental sustainability of January 2022 and new European competence framework on sustainability opportunities which foster the development of sustainability competences, enhance career prospects and engage participants to contribute, on an individual and collective level, to a green and sustainable Europe and world.

The overarching policy priority of the Erasmus+ Programme is to contribute to a **holistic** approach to education and training in a *lifelong learning perspective* as described in the **EU Framework on key competences**¹². Key competences include knowledge, skills, and

¹⁰ COM(2022) 131 final, "Welcoming those fleeing war in Ukraine: Readying Europe to meet the needs"

¹¹ Council Recommendation on Blended Learning for high-quality and inclusive Primary and Secondary Education, adopted by the Council on 29 November 2021, <u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:32021H1214(01)</u>

¹² <u>https://education.ec.europa.eu/focus-topics/improving-quality-equity/key-competences-lifelong-learning</u>

attitudes needed by all citizens for personal fulfilment and development, employability, social inclusion and active citizenship. However, the EU faces some formidable challenges. Even though quality education and training builds on the basic skills of mathematics, science and reading, nearly a quarter of the 15-year-olds in the EU are functionally illiterate in those basic skills. Therefore, one of the main priorities of the Programme is to help Member States in their efforts to combat underachievement and foster the development of all key competences. The Programme will support the initial and **continuous professional development of teachers, trainers and youth workers/youth leaders through cooperation and mobility activities** in order to enhance competences and foster their wellbeing, as well as to stimulate and pool their expertise for future policy design.

In line with the Council Conclusions on a European Strategy Empowering Higher Education Institutions for the Future of Europe¹³, with the **Council Recommendation on building bridges for effective European Higher Education cooperation**¹⁴ adopted on 5 April 2022, as well as with the **European strategy for universities**¹⁵, Erasmus+ aims at supporting and enabling universities to adapt to changing conditions, to thrive and to contribute to Europe's global role, resilience and recovery. As such, Erasmus+ is a key contributor to the implementation of the higher education dimension of the European Education Area, in synergy with the European higher education area and the European Research Area. Erasmus+ will provide continued support to the **European Universities** alliances of higher education institutions to cooperate seamlessly across borders and disciplines and in different languages on the basis of the main outcomes of the mid-term review of the first alliances. In addition, ample opportunities for **transnational cooperation between higher education institutions** will continue to be supported, fostering the Union innovation capacity and contributing, inter alia, to progressing the work on micro-credentials¹⁶, quality assurance and recognition.

These opportunities will complement Erasmus+ support to the **European Innovation Agenda** that intends to underpin talent and skills development that anticipates the needs of the accelerated adoption of new technologies across all sectors of our economy and society, and in particular in highly innovative deep-tech domains. The focus will be on boosting further the promotion of entrepreneurial and innovation culture in the education sector and fostering entrepreneurial skills in lifelong learning.

Erasmus+ is instrumental in **fostering the international dimension of education and training, youth and sport** by promoting **international cooperation** and by **expanding mobility opportunities** beyond Europe, by funding **exchanges and scholarships for joint degrees,** and by fostering **capacity-building**. International actions financed by the EU's external action programmes are open in the 2023 Erasmus+ annual work programme.

The European Education Area will be achieved through the **cooperation framework**¹⁷ with Member States and engagement with stakeholders. At Member State-level, the countries participating in the Erasmus+ Programme continue implementing reforms of their education and training systems, in accordance with their needs, and benefiting from the policy support of the new framework.

The Council Resolution on a strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030) sets out a framework to enable cooperation with Member States and engagement with relevant stakeholders, including a reporting and analysis structure, with education targets to encourage

¹³ 2022/C 167/03, OJ C, C/167, 21.04.2022, p.9

¹⁴ 2022/C 160/01, OJ C 160, 13.4.2022, p. 1–8

¹⁵ COM(2022)16 final

¹⁶ Council Recommendation on a European Approach on micro-credentials, OJ C 243, 27.6.2022, p. 10–25

¹⁷ <u>http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=uriserv:OJ.C_.2021.066.01.0001.01.ENG</u>

and track reforms in education and training, in order to achieve the European Education Area by 2025. The **Council Resolution on the governance structure of the strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond**¹⁸ sets out a reformed governance to support the achievement of the Area.

The European Skills Agenda¹⁹ aims to support people to develop the skills needed to take full advantage of the opportunities provided by the green and digital transitions. The Skills Agenda covers several building blocks for which Erasmus+ will be instrumental i.e. the "Pact for Skills" will mobilise and incentivise relevant private and public stakeholders to partner up and take action for lifelong skills development; "Skills for a job" will support skills strategies to promote skills in STEM fields²⁰, as well as skills for the green and digital transitions, empower people to learn and facilitate lifelong learning, skills recognition and support to mobility, as well as innovative approaches aimed to unlock investment in skills. "Skills for Life" will support adult learning across all environments for social inclusion, active citizenship and personal development beyond working life.

The Action Plan implementing the European Pillar of Social Rights²¹ of 4 March 2021, builds upon the above mentioned instruments to address the need to invest in skills and education to unlock new opportunities for all and considerably increase participation in learning.

The 2020 Council Recommendation on **vocational education and training for sustainable competitiveness, social fairness and resilience**²² defines key principles for ensuring that vocational education and training is agile in that it adapts swiftly to labour market needs and provides quality learning opportunities for young people and adults alike. It places a strong focus on the increased flexibility of vocational education and training, reinforced opportunities for work-based learning, apprenticeships and improved quality assurance. It reflects the fact that vocational education and training serves many long-term economy objectives: it develops citizen skills and long-term ability to remain employable and respond to the needs of the labour market.

The Council Resolution on a new **European agenda for adult learning 2021-2030** (NEAAL 2030) adopted by the Council on 29 November 2021, building upon the agenda implemented in the period 2011-2020, invites Member States and the Commission to take specific actions to ensure that all adults can, and are actively supported to, access formal, non-formal and informal learning opportunities. The agenda makes clear that adult learning should be understood in its wider sense, not only restricted to upskilling the workforce. While there is a strong continuity with the previous agenda in priority areas such as improving governance, increasing supply and take-up of accessible and flexible opportunities, ensuring quality, equity, inclusion and success in adult learning, there is an additional focus on the challenges related to the ecological and digital transitions.

The **Digital Education Action Plan**²³ 2021-2027 is part of the Commission's strategy to make Europe fit for the digital age with the objective to support the digital transition in Europe. It outlines actions for improving digital education in order to meet the challenges arising from the external shocks of the COVID-19 crisis in the shorter term. It also provides a vision for the longer-term digital transformation of education and training in the digital age. The two strategic priorities of the Digital Education Action Plan: (1) developing a high performing digital education ecosystem; and (2) enhancing digital skills and competences

²³ COM(2020) 624 final

¹⁸OJ C 497, 10.12.2021, p. 1–4

¹⁹ COM(2020)274

²⁰ STEM fields: science, technology, engineering and mathematics

²¹ Cf. <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/european-pillar-social-rights/european-pillar-social-rights-action-plan_en/</u>.

²² Council Recommendation of 24 November 2020 on vocational education and training (VET) for sustainable competitiveness, social fairness and resilience (OJ C, C/417, 02.12.2020, p. 1)

for the digital transformation form the basis for the support of the digital dimension of Erasmus+. These include support to: basic and advanced digital skills and competences; digital readiness and capacity of institutions; digital pedagogy and expertise for teachers and youth workers; EU-based education technology: innovation through quality assurance and interoperability; effective pedagogical approaches on informatics; teacher training and practice in tackling disinformation and promoting digital literacy through education and training.

The Action Plan covers all formal sectors of education and training, including lifelong learning and all levels (from basic to advanced digital skills), as well as informal and non-formal learning, including the supporting of youth work for digital skills development. As part of this vision, the need to establish a more effective and efficient way to exchange on digital education at EU level, the Erasmus+ Programme supports the implementation of the **Digital Education Hub** (established in the first quarter of 2022). The Hub's aim is to enhance cooperation as a key element to achieve systemic impact and identify sustainable solutions, supporting digital education and training in the long term. The Hub creates an inclusive space for exchanges, providing guidance and support, focusing on peer-learning and networking, bringing together existing research, studies, and communities, a space for co-creation and experimentation.

In line with the Action Plan priorities, the Programme will foster the **development of digital** skills and competences, develop accessible and high quality digital learning, foster teachers' capacity to use digital tools, services, and content to enhance student learning and develop student digital skills, test and promote blended learning (combination of more than one approach to the learning process, blending school site and distance learning environments; and digital and non-digital learning tools), and increase long-standing support and investment in **European online platforms** for virtual cooperation and digital education, such as eTwinning and the School Education Gateway - merged in the European School Education Platform in 2022 - and the Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe (EPALE). The Programme will also support further work on the Digital Competence Framework, updated in 2022 to take account of emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence and phenomena like disinformation, and possible preparatory work on a future more complete update of DigComp²⁴. The Programme will promote the SELFIE tools for self-reflection (SELFIE tool for whole school planning and the new SELFIE for Teachers) which assesses schools' and teachers' strengths and gaps in their use of technology. The Programme will also promote participation of women and girls in STEM fields of study, especially in engineering, ICT and advanced digital skills, through support for guidance or the development of new and forward-looking higher education curricula for engineering and ICT based on the STEAM²⁵ approach. In addition, accompanying guidance and mentorship programmes will be set up, focusing on transitions to the labour market, making them more attractive for women. Such curricula will be co-designed and co-delivered with STEM employment sectors, and will integrate education for environmental sustainability, creativity, entrepreneurship and work-based learning, as well as contact with leading female role models. Complementing physical mobility under Erasmus+, the Programme will offer digital learning opportunities and virtual exchanges on an unprecedented scale, also with third countries not associated to the Programme.

²⁴ European Digital Competence Framework

²⁵ The use of multidisciplinary pedagogies (teaching of science in political, environmental, socio-economic, and cultural contexts) is a powerful vehicle for making STEM subjects and careers more attractive. This is also known as the STEAM approach to science education and embraces the creative potential of connecting STEM education with the arts, the humanities, and the social sciences.

Young people are at the heart of the European project. The **EU Youth Strategy 2019-2027**²⁶ set the framework for the European cooperation in the youth field, for the benefit of young people. The EU Youth Strategy encourages cooperation in core youth policy areas in order to engage, connect and empower young people. It promotes cross-sectoral approaches to address the needs of young people in various EU policy areas such as employment, but also climate change, environment, digitalisation, health. The strategy makes reference to 11 Youth Goals covering several fields that young people consider to be important. This overarching strategy is implemented through two of the main EU programmes supporting youth: Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps - both Programmes aiming to support, engage, connect and empower young people even more effectively, notably through **mobility and cooperation activities**. In 2023 the Erasmus+ Programme will also contribute to the legacy of the European Year of Youth, seeking to continue and/or follow-up on the initiatives implemented in its context in 2022.

The **Council Resolution on the Framework for establishing a European Youth Work Agenda**²⁷ is a strong confirmation and recognition of youth work by the European Union. It introduces the European Youth Work Agenda as a strategic framework for strengthening and developing youth work in Europe. It adopts a targeted approach to further developing knowledge-based youth work in Europe and connecting political decisions with their practical implementation. The implementation of the Agenda, the so-called Bonn Process²⁸, may be supported by Erasmus+ in line with the programme objectives.

The EU also seeks to help eliminate obstacles to youth cross-border volunteering in Europe by raising awareness, increasing the capacity to offer volunteering opportunities, reducing barriers to participation especially for disadvantaged groups and increasing the recognition of skills gained. The **Council Recommendation** of 5 April 2022²⁹ sets out the current framework for this.

The EU Work Plan for Sport³⁰ sets out guiding objectives in this field for the period 2021 to 2024, in particular as it comes to protecting integrity and values in sport, to promoting the socio-economic and environmental dimensions of sport, and to fostering the participation in sport and health-enhancing physical activity. The rollout of this Work Plan is supported as appropriate by the sport strand of the Erasmus+ Programme. In the same vein, the initiative HealthyLifestyle4All (launched in 2021) supports the EU sport policy priorities, while adding a new dimension. The initiative intends to link sport and active lifestyles with health, food and other EU policies in a holistic approach aimed at promoting well-being.

2.2 ERASMUS+ MAIN PRIORITIES IN 2023

Four overarching priorities are underpinning the Erasmus+ implementation in 2023.

Inclusive Erasmus+, including the integration of refugees

The political guidelines of President von der Leyen highlighted the EU's objectives on equality: "A prosperous and social Europe depends on us all. We need <u>equality for all</u> and equality in all of its senses".

Within this context, a Commission implementing decision adopted in October 2021 outlines general measures to be implemented over the 7-year period for the Erasmus+ Programme and

²⁶ OJ C 456, 18.12.2018, p. 1

²⁷ OJ C 415, 01.12.2020, p. 1

²⁸ <u>https://www.eywc2020.eu/en/agenda/bonn-process</u>

²⁹ Council Recommendation of 5 April 2022 on the mobility of young volunteers across the European Union, OJ C 157, 11.4.2022

³⁰ Resolution of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States meeting within the Council on the European Union Work Plan for Sport, OJ C 419, 04.12.2020, p. 1

the European Solidarity Corps³¹; a strategy for inclusion and diversity³² covering all fields of the Programmes has been devised to increase the qualitative impact of the Programme actions and to ensure equal opportunities by reaching out more and better to people with fewer opportunities, including people of different ages and from diverse cultural, social and economic backgrounds, people with disabilities and migrants, as well as people living in remote areas, such as in the EU outermost regions³³. The thematic SALTO Resource Centres for Inclusion and Diversity will also contribute to high-quality and inclusive implementation for this dimension of the Programme.

The **big inflow of refugees from Ukraine fleeing Russia's invasion**, and the consequent need to ensure continued learning and education for pupils and students, **calls for strong action and support** from the Erasmus+ Programme, in coordination with other initiatives in support of people fleeing from the war³⁴. Many stakeholders ask for reinforced support to cope with the big challenges on the ground. In particular, funding is needed to allow the Erasmus+ stakeholder community (such as schools, higher education institutions, and associations in education, training, youth and sport) to effectively support learning activities for the benefit of refugees.

The Programme will offer mobility opportunities to learners in school classes, in higher education, vocational education and training, in adult education and training, young people, youth workers and sport organisations, reaching out to new and more diverse groups of learners. More diversified learning and training formats (e.g. more short-term, group mobility, virtual learning and blended activities) will offer enhanced flexibility to the needs of staff and learners who face obstacles in participation.

The Programme will also support small-scale partnerships and youth participation activities to widen its accessibility for grassroots organisations, which typically work directly with people with fewer opportunities. Furthermore, simplification measures – such as the extended use of simplified grant and the reinforced use of mobility accreditation processes (Charters) - will enhance the inclusiveness and accessibility of the Programme in all its fields.

Green Erasmus+

Climate and biodiversity mainstreaming

The actions supported by the Programme contribute to the overall climate and biodiversity objective, as presented below, both by the prioritisation of the green transition in the cooperation activities, and by the promotion of green practices at the level of the projects throughout the Programme.

Environment and climate action are key political priorities for the EU. The European Green Deal indicated that "Europe should strive for more by being the first climate-neutral continent" and "reduce emissions by at least 55% by 2030." The European Green Deal and European climate pact recognise the key role of schools, training institutions and higher education institutions to engage with pupils, parents, and the wider community on the changes needed for a successful transition. The European Green Deal calls for activating education

³¹ https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/document/commission-decision-framework-inclusion-2021-27

³² <u>https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/implementation-guidelines-erasmus-and-european-solidarity-corps-inclusion-and-diversity_en</u>

³³ These regions are in the most remote parts of the EU, located in the Atlantic Ocean, the Caribbean basin, South America and the Indian Ocean. Article 349 TFEU provides for positive discrimination towards these regions including specific measures to help these regions address the major challenges they face. ³⁴ such as ERA4Ukraine in the case of researchers

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and training to support the transition towards a Green Europe. The Education for Climate Coalition as a flagship initiative of the European Education Area aims to support a green transition for all. It will mobilise expertise, provide resources for networking and support creative approaches with teachers, pupils and students, it will create a strong link between bottom-up initiatives and EU level action and facilitate community challenges and concrete actions promoting sustainability behaviour across the EU around its priorities: skills development; teacher training; bridging education and science; change in behaviour and awareness raising. Projects, actions and participative challenges under the Coalition linking with the New European Bauhaus initiative will also be supported.

The **Council Recommendation on learning for the green transition and sustainable development** adopted in June 2022³⁵ aims to support Member States in equipping learners with understanding and skills on sustainability, climate change and the environment. A new **European competence framework on sustainability** maps out the competences needed for the green transition, including critical thinking, initiative-taking, respecting nature and understanding the impact everyday actions and decisions have on the environment and the global climate. The recommendation calls on Member States to provide learners of all ages access to high-quality, equitable and inclusive education and training on climate change, biodiversity, environmental protection and sustainability; establish learning for the green transition and sustainable development as a priority area in education and training policies and programmes; encourage and facilitate whole-institution approaches to sustainability and mobilise national and EU funds for investment in infrastructure, training, tools and resources to increase resilience and preparedness of education and training for the green transition.

The European Commission launched in October 2020 the **New European Bauhaus**³⁶ with the ambition to help make the Green Deal a cultural, human-centred positive and tangible experience, and calls on all Europeans to imagine and build together a sustainable and inclusive future. Through its broad lifelong learning dimension and cross-disciplinary collaborative approaches across the sectors, Erasmus+ will contribute to equipping Europeans with the necessary skills and developing innovative practices to bring about change.

Climate change and environment are also a key priority for the young generation. According to a 2019 Eurobarometer survey on "*How we build a stronger, more united Europe: the views of young people*", protecting the environment and fighting climate change should be a top priority for the EU. Young people made it also clear when devising the European youth goals in the EU Youth dialogue process in 2018 i.e. "*Sustainable Green Europe aims to achieve a society in which all young people are environmentally active, educated and able to make a difference in their everyday lives*". The Council Conclusions on 'Fostering engagement among young people as actors of change in order to protect the environmental sector in the context of Erasmus+³⁷.

Within this context, the Programme can help develop knowledge, skills and attitudes on climate change and sustainable development and support whole-institution approaches to education for environmental sustainability. Erasmus+ will increase the number of mobility opportunities in green forward-looking fields, i.e. those study periods abroad, traineeships, youth or classrooms exchanges, etc. which foster the development of competences, enhance career prospects and engage participants in subject areas which are strategic for the sustainable growth of our planet, with special attention to areas such as rural development,

³⁵ ST/9795/2022/INIT, OJ C 243, 27.6.2022

³⁶ COM(2021) 573 final

³⁷ https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:52022XG0412(01)&from=FR

sustainable farming, management of natural resources, soil protection, bio agriculture, healthy oceans.

Environment and fight against global warming will be a horizontal priority for the selection of projects.

Projects will support the creation of networks and partnerships of various actors in the field of education and training, youth and sport, including schools, higher education institutions and the local communities and industries. These actors will be able to work together on projects promoting awareness, understanding and positive action on sustainability, the climate crisis, biodiversity loss and related issues, including whole institution approaches to sustainability and developing the sustainability competences of educators and education leadership teams. This will not only involve learning and understanding of these issues, but also practicing what is taught (for example social responsibility; waste reduction; sustainable transport etc.). Young people and NGOs are expected to play a significant role as agents of change and co-creators of project ideas. Platforms such as eTwinning, the School Education Gateway (merged in the European School Education Platform in 2022), and EPALE will continue to produce support materials and facilitate the exchange of effective educational practices and policies on environmental and sustainability matters. Erasmus+ is also a powerful instrument to reach out to and engage with a wide spectrum of players in our society (schools, higher education institutions, VET providers, youth and sport organisations, NGOs, local and regional authorities, civil society organisations, etc.).

Among other elements, the Programme will also deliver on the so-called 'Blue Erasmus+' dimension, notably with project results and knowledge creation, including analyses and best practices relevant for the objective of preserving healthy oceans, seas, coastal and inland waters.

Moreover, Erasmus+, with mobility at its core, should strive for carbon-neutrality by promoting sustainable transport modes and more responsible behaviour. Activities such as DiscoverEU are leading by example, promoting environmental sustainability in transport means and as a recurrent theme in the campaigns organised around the scheme, offering activities (including opportunities to participate in initiatives outside the Programme, such as for instance the 3 billion Tree Planting pledge) and learning opportunities.

The thematic green SALTO Resource Centre set up in 2022 will contribute to high-quality and inclusive implementation of the green dimension of the Programme.

Digital Erasmus+

The first Digital Education Stakeholder Forum organised in March 2022 reflected on the way forward, to build on the achievements of the first year of implementation of the Digital Education Action Plan 2021-2027. In close alignment with the Plan's two strategic priorities, developing a high performing digital education ecosystem and enhancing digital skills and competences for the digital transformation, Erasmus+ will continue to be mobilised to respond to the necessary digital transformation of education and training, youth and sport. The Programme aims to foster the development of digital skills and competences, e.g. through the Digital Opportunity Traineeships (DOTs); support the development and implementation of digital transformation plans of education institutions in their efforts to manage an effective shift towards digital education; support the purposeful use of digital technologies for teaching, learning, assessment and engagement; foster teachers' capacity to use digital tools and digital education content in their learning design, including in blended learning approaches, e.g. through the SELFIE tool; develop accessible and high quality digital learning; and improve exchange and cooperation in digital education at the EU level through the cross-sectorial Digital Education Hub.

In order to support the digital transformation of education and training, youth and sport, as well as to provide more inclusive formats to participants who cannot take part in typical long-term mobility periods, the Programme will complement physical mobility under Erasmus+, the latter remaining the core activity of Erasmus+, by continuing to promoting distance and blended learning. Moreover, it will broaden and reinforce its offer of learning opportunities focusing on basic and advanced digital competence development, virtual exchanges and support digital education focused cooperation projects, also with priority regions neighbouring the EU.

The cooperation projects will continue to support the development of innovative practices and digital methods for education, vocational training and youth work. Flagship initiatives such as the European Universities, the Centres for Vocational Excellence and the Erasmus+ Teacher Academies, as well as the Digital Education Hub, will have a leading role in the digital transformation of education and training systems. In addition, the Programme will continue to increase long-standing support and investment in European online platforms for virtual cooperation and digital education such as eTwinning and the School Education Gateway (merged in the European School Education Platform in 2022), EPALE, or the European Youth Portal to facilitate online mutual learning between countries on system, institution and professional/individual development, including for communities of practice in the area of youth work (development started in 2022). Erasmus+ will support in 2023 the development of the new European platform for cooperation between higher education institutions, as announced in the European strategy for universities.

The Programme will also help to further develop and adapt successful tools such as SELFIE tool for whole school digital planning and the new SELFIE for Teachers, Europass or the Youthpass. The Programme will further support the development and rollout of the European Digital Credentials for Learning. The Programme implementation will be significantly digitalised, for instance through initiatives such as the European Student Card and the Erasmus Without Paper (the latter to be implemented initially in the field of higher education, followed by a similar scheme in the school education, VET and adult education sectors), or a revamped IT architecture for beneficiaries and implementing bodies. The European Student Card Initiative will further digitalise mobility management processes and improve the efficiency and security of digital exchange of information. Finally, the thematic digital SALTO Resource Centre set up in 2022 will contribute to high-quality and inclusive implementation for the digital dimension of the Programme.

Participation in democratic life, common values and civic engagement

The 2017 Commission Communication³⁸ 'Strengthening European identity through education and culture' highlighted the pivotal role that education, culture and sport play in promoting active citizenship and common values among the youngest generations. The Erasmus+ Regulation recalls this role and stresses the need to strengthen priorities on fostering European identity, active citizenship and participation in democratic life.

The Regulation recalls the Programme key role in strengthening European identity and values and in contributing to a more democratic Union. Both formal education and non-formal learning as well as youth work can enhance the development of social and intercultural competences, critical thinking and media literacy. And the Programme can reach out and engage many different actors in our societies through its activities and sectors, in order to raise awareness of European common values (such as freedom, tolerance and nondiscrimination), as well as European history and culture. In this context, the Programme can thus as well contribute to prevent and counter disinformation and fake news. This is more important than ever, in the context of the Russian aggression against Ukraine.

³⁸ COM/2017/0673 final

The Regulation also emphasises the objective of encouraging the participation of young people in Europe's democratic life; this can be achieved inter alia by supporting activities that contribute to citizenship education and participation projects for young people.

The Programme will continue to empower young people and to encourage their participation in democratic life.

The thematic SALTO Resource Centre for Participation & Information will contribute to high-quality and inclusive implementation for this dimension of the Programme.

In addition to the overarching transversal priorities, **field-specific priorities** are to be reflected in the actions supported by the Programme in 2023.

Higher education

In the field of higher education, the four overarching priorities of Erasmus+ implementation in 2023 are underpinned by the Council Conclusions on a European Strategy Empowering Higher Education Institutions for the Future of Europe and the Council Recommendation on building bridges for effective European Higher Education cooperation³⁹ adopted on 5 April 2022, as well as by the European strategy for universities⁴⁰.

Together, they aim at supporting and enabling higher education institutions to adapt to changing conditions, to thrive and to contribute to Europe's resilience and recovery. It is a call to Member States and higher education institutions across Europe to join forces. The strategy builds on the Communication on achieving the European Education Area by 2025 and the Communication on a new ERA for Research and Innovation.

The strategy seeks to take transnational cooperation to a new level of intensity and scope and to develop a genuinely European dimension in the higher education sector, built on shared values. The strategy recognises excellence and inclusion as a distinctive feature of European higher education, exemplary for our European way of life. This makes the higher education sector in Europe different from other parts of the world. This strategy relies upon the experience of 35 years of Erasmus, 20 years of the Bologna process, and the recent feedbacks from the European universities initiative.

Building on the European strategy for universities, the **Council Conclusions on a European Strategy Empowering Higher Education Institutions for the Future of Europe** put forward four main objectives:

- strengthening the European dimension of higher education, research and innovation as well as the synergies between them;
- driving Europe's global role and leadership;
- bolstering Europe's recovery and response to the digital and green transitions;
- deepening the European sense of belonging based on common values.

The Council recommendation on building bridges for effective European higher education cooperation, based on a proposal tabled by Commission together with the

³⁹ OJ C160, 13.04.2022, p.1

⁴⁰ COM(2022)16 final

European strategy for universities, aims to enable more seamless and sustainable transnational cooperation between higher education institutions across Europe.

This higher education package paves the way for a set of **4 flagship initiatives** for transnational cooperation, the visible expression of a distinctly European approach that will help universities to build bridges, and take transnational cooperation to the next level:

- Expand the European Universities initiative with more than 500 universities by mid-2024, with an Erasmus+ indicative budget totalling EUR 1.1 billion for 2021-2027: pursue the further development of the European Universities initiative following a bottom-up approach through the Erasmus+ programme, on the basis of the main outcomes of the mid-term review of the first alliances.
- Examine the need for and feasibility of institutionalised cooperation instruments, such as a possible **legal status for alliances of higher education institutions**: pilot as of 2022 under Erasmus+ the implementation of existing European instruments.
- Examine the options and necessary steps in close cooperation with Member states, higher education institutions, student organisations and stakeholders towards a possible joint degree based on the co-created European criteria: pilot as of 2022 under Erasmus+ the testing of co-created common European criteria that could lead to a potential European label for joint programmes.
- Widening the implementation of the European Student Card initiative.

On top of the higher education package, the Council recommendation on a European approach to **micro-credentials for lifelong learning and employability**⁴¹ will contribute to implementing Principle 1 of the European Pillar of Social Rights by widening learning opportunities for all, and facilitating more flexible learning pathways throughout life.

Also relevant for the policy priorities in the field of higher education is the Council Recommendation on learning for the green transition and sustainable development adopted in June 2022^{42} .

Erasmus+ is instrumental to meeting the afore-mentioned goals in the field of higher education through its support for **policy cooperation among Member States**, for ambitious and **innovative cooperation settings between higher education institutions and with their knowledge ecosystems**; as well as for **evidence-building**.

The higher education dimension of the European Education Area operates in synergy with the Bologna Process and the European Research Area, inspiring and supporting other member countries of the European Higher Education Area to benefit from a similar path. These objectives are fully aligned with the Commission initiatives towards the European Education Area. Different strands of the Erasmus+ Programme will support these developments and their implementation at national and institutional level throughout the Member States and third countries associated to the Programme. The Programme will support the implementation of the objectives of these initiatives through sectorial priorities under the partnerships for cooperation and policy related actions.

In line with the forward-looking Agenda developed in 2021 between the EU and the Western Balkans on Innovation, Research, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport⁴³, applicants from **Western Balkans** not associated to the programme will be able to apply to the European Universities call in 2023.

Erasmus+ can contribute to help **higher education students and staff among the refugees fleeing from Ukraine**, and the higher education systems of the countries receiving refugees.

⁴¹ OJ C 243, 27.6.2022, p. 10–25

⁴² OJ C 243, 27.6.2022, p. 1

⁴³ <u>ec_rtd_western-balkans-agenda-overview.pdf (europa.eu)</u>

Erasmus+ will support the education of refugee students, integrate as much as possible staff who are refugees themselves, and support the institutions and staff of host countries in dealing with this endeavour. The Programme will also support the promotion of European common values or the fight against disinformation and fake news.

In this regard, through its various actions relevant to the **higher education field**, - and in line with the Council Conclusions on a European Strategy Empowering Higher Education Institutions for the Future of Europe, the Council Recommendation on building bridges for effective European Higher Education cooperation, as well as the European strategy for universities -the **Programme** will in **2023** aim at:

Promoting inter-connected higher education systems: the Programme will aim to strengthen the strategic and structured cooperation between higher education institutions through: a) support for developing and testing various types of cooperation models, including virtual and blended cooperation and the use of different digital tools and online platforms; b) improving mobility by implementing automatic mutual recognition of qualifications and learning outcomes, and by embedding mobility in curricula; c) support for higher education institutions to implement the Bologna principles, including promoting fundamental academic values and the standards and guidelines for quality assurance, and tools to enhance mobility for all; d) support for higher education institutions, in strong cooperation with the representatives of Member States to pilot innovative cooperation and actions; e) support for implementing Erasmus Without Paper, deploying the European Student Identifier and the European Student Cards.

Stimulating innovative teaching and learning approaches to tackle societal challenges and promote innovation and entrepreneurship through support for: a) the development of learning outcomes oriented and student-centred curricula that better meet the learning needs of students and reduce skills mismatches, and promote entrepreneurship, while also being relevant for the labour market and for the wider society, for example by inviting staff from enterprises and the world of work or by co-designing curricula with the industry, including SMEs; b) the development, testing and implementation of flexible learning pathways and modular course design (part-time, online or blended) and appropriate forms of assessment, including the development of online assessment; c) promoting the lifelong learning dimension of higher education, including by exploring the possibilities for take-up, validation and recognition of short learning courses leading to micro-credentials; d) implementation of trans-disciplinary approaches and innovative pedagogies such as inverted learning, collaborative online international learning, research-based learning and blended intensive programmes, which support the acquisition of transferable forward-looking skills entrepreneurship through a challenge-based approach; e) development and and implementation of fit-for-purpose STEM higher education curricula, following a STEAM approach; promoting participation of women in STEM fields of study, especially in engineering, ICT and advanced digital skills; e) support for innovation and entrepreneurship, including through support for the set-up and functioning of living labs and incubators within higher education institutions, in close cooperation with the entrepreneurial sector and other relevant actors, to support innovative learning and teaching and help student entrepreneurs to develop their ideas into businesses.

Rewarding excellence in learning, teaching and skills development, through a) developing and implementing strategies and quality culture to reward and incentivise excellence in teaching, including online teaching, enhanced quality of study experience and teaching for learners with fewer opportunities, student-centred learning and teaching in higher education, as well as through support for flexible and attractive academic careers, valuing teaching, research, entrepreneurship, management and leadership activities; b) training of academics in new and innovative pedagogies, including teaching in online or blended environments, transdisciplinary approaches, new curriculum design, delivery and assessment methods linking
education with research and innovation where relevant, c) fostering an entrepreneurial, open and innovative higher education sector, by promoting learning and teaching partnerships with commercial and non-commercial organisations in the private sector that foster students' exposure to innovation and entrepreneurship; d) developing new practices in instructional design, based on educational research and creativity.

Supporting green higher education systems, i.e. promoting learning and teaching for environmental sustainability and supporting the key role of higher education institutions in adapting attitudes, perceptions, values and behaviour to live in a sustainable world, more respectful of our planet. The Programme will foster green education systems by a) supporting the integration of education for environmental sustainability⁴⁴ through a whole-institutional approach that integrates sustainability into all programmes, disciplines and levels of higher education, b) promoting transdisciplinary approaches coupled with a strong disciplinary background and life-long learning, including through micro-credentials, c) support for up-to-date green skills and curricula development in line with the required green skills, d) supporting transnational partnerships between students, academics, universities, employers and communities on climate challenges. This will contribute to promote co-creating knowledge for a resilient, inclusive and sustainable society and in finding innovative solutions to complex societal problems together, as called for by the New European Bauhaus.

Building inclusive higher education systems: The Programme will foster inclusive approaches for mobility and cooperation activities such as a) support to the education of refugee students and staff, and support to the institutions and staff of host countries in dealing with this endeavour, b) increased access, participation and completion rates of people with fewer opportunities, including underrepresented groups, also through developing voluntary quantitative targets; c) active support to incoming mobile participants throughout the process of finding accommodation, including through collaboration with the relevant stakeholders for the provision of appropriate and affordable housing; d) support to mental health of students and academics; e) foster gender balance in higher education institutions, across fields of study and in leadership positions; f) fostering civic engagement through the promotion of informal learning and extra-curricular activities and recognition of voluntary and community work in students' academic results.

Supporting digital capabilities of the higher education sector through: a) the creation and implementation of Digital Transformation Plans of higher education institutions; b) development of digital skills and competences of students and staff, for example through Digital Opportunity Traineeships (DOTs); c) the development of digital tools and infrastructure for higher education institutions and their interoperability, especially in view of cooperation between higher education institutions, d) supporting higher education institutions in the creation and consolidation of their databases of graduates' contact details, essential for the capacity building of Member States' graduate tracking systems in line with the 2017 Council Recommendation on tracking graduates⁴⁵.

Fostering effective, efficient and sustainable system-level funding and governance models, as well as monitoring and analysis of strategic policy priorities for evidence-based decision-making.

⁴⁴ including facing climate change and protecting biodiversity, as well as the protection and responsible use of resources for healthy oceans, seas coastal and inland waters, in the wider scope of the Green Deal priorities. ⁴⁵ OJ C 423, 9.12.2017, p. 1–4.

School education

Principle 1 of the European Pillar of Social Rights⁴⁶ stipulates that: '*Everyone has the right* to quality and inclusive education, training and life-long learning in order to maintain and acquire skills that enable them to participate fully in society and manage successfully transitions in the labour market.' Principle 11 states that: 'Children have the right to affordable early childhood education and care of good quality. Children have the right to protection from poverty. Children from disadvantaged backgrounds have the right to specific measures to enhance equal opportunities.' The Council Resolution on further developing the European Education Area to support future-oriented education and training systems⁴⁷ recalls the ambitions expressed in the Council Conclusions on moving towards a vision of a European Education Area⁴⁸ that the area should be underpinned by the life-long learning continuum, from early childhood education and care to school and vocational education and training, to higher education and adult learning. The Programme will support actions promoting and **fostering mobility and cooperation** in education and training, and supporting Member States in modernising their education and training systems, promoting teaching and learning of languages, mutual recognition of qualifications and outcomes of learning periods abroad.

The Programme will implement the initiatives outlined in the Commission Communication on Achieving the European Education Area by 2025⁴⁹ aimed at increasing quality and inclusiveness of school education, promoting equity and outreach to people with fewer opportunities, enhance competence and motivation of teachers, and help strengthen understanding of climate change and sustainability.

The **European online platforms** for cooperation - eTwinning and the School Education Gateway, merged in the European School Education Platform in 2022, will continue to make a significant contribution to system, school and professional development.

The **new European Bauhaus** initiative can also be a catalyst for contributions from the school sector, in particular by building on interrelations among culture, art and science with a view to helping to devise a more sustainable future through creativity and innovation.

The European Education Area has the ambition to increase both quality and equity in education and training. The Commission proposal for a **Council Recommendation on Pathways to School Success**, tabled in June 2022⁵⁰, outlines policy guidance for Member States on concrete strategies and actions to reduce early leaving from education and training and help all pupils reach a certain level of proficiency in basic skills and complete upper secondary education. The proposed Recommendation embraces a holistic view and proposes a systemic approach, which should include both attainment and achievement as well as social, emotional and academic learning proposal. The new Recommendation will incorporate proposals and good practices on how to promote conducive and inclusive learning environments, supported by a strong culture of well-being. Therefore, Pathways will be also complemented by an Expert Group on school well-being, to be set up in 2022.

⁵⁰ COM/2022/316 final

⁴⁶ <u>https://ec.europa.eu/commission/priorities/deeper-and-fairer-economic-and-monetary-union/european-pillar-social-rights/european-pillar-social-rights-20-principles_en_</u>

 ⁴⁷ <u>https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-13298-2019-INIT/en/pdf</u>; 8 November 2019
⁴⁸ <u>https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-9012-2018-INIT/en/pdf</u>, 23 May 2018

 ⁴⁹<u>https://ec.europa.eu/education/sites/education/files/document-library-docs/eea-communication-</u>sept2020 en.pdf; 30 September 2020.

The Council Recommendation on Blended Learning for high-quality and inclusive Primary and Secondary Education⁵¹ adopted on 29 November 2021 is amongst the first concrete actions implemented under the Digital Education Action Plan.

Blended learning includes using different learning tools (digital, including online, and nondigital), but also learning in different environments, including the school site, the home, the outdoors, cultural sites, and places of employment, which can be motivating for children and young people and enhance their broad competence development. This could also increase students' engagement with local and global challenges, e.g. those related to the environment and climate change. The Recommendation is a significant step forward in supporting a flexible and inclusive approach to learning. It has close links to the Pathways for School Success and HealthyLifestyle4All initiatives.

Regarding the green transition, the Commission adopted a proposal for a **Council Recommendation on learning for environmental sustainability** on 14th January 2022. This Recommendation will set out how Member States, schools, higher education institutions and educators can strengthen cooperation and peer exchange on environmental sustainability education to increase awareness, understanding and action. The concept of sustainability cuts across all key competences with a special focus on science and citizenship. This initiative is also linked to the development of a European sustainability competence Framework (GreenComp) released with the Recommendation. The framework will set out the knowledge, skills and attitudes that learners of all ages need to acquire to support and contribute to the green transition.

The Council Conclusions on 'European teachers and trainers for the future'⁵² of May 2020 recognise that teachers and trainers are an indispensable driving force of education and training and acknowledge their commitment during the COVID-19 crisis. The Programme is instrumental to support the development of teachers' and trainers' competences as underlined in the Council conclusions on enhancing teachers' and trainer's mobility, in particular European mobility, during their initial and in-service training⁵³, their participation in continuous professional development and fostered wellbeing through cooperation and mobility including the Digital Opportunity Traineeships (DOTs), as well as their involvement in future policy design. The new SELFIE for Teachers tool will support primary and secondary teachers to reflect on their digital competence and identify their learning needs and areas for further development. Supporting passionate, positive, engaged, ambitious and highly competent teachers who inspire learners to reach their full potential is crucial to achieving the policy objectives enshrined in the European Education Area.

Erasmus+ can contribute to help the many **children and teachers among the refugees fleeing from Ukraine**, and the education systems of the countries receiving them. Erasmus+ will support the schooling of refugee pupils, integrate as much as possible teachers and trainers who are refugees themselves, and support the teachers and trainers of host countries in dealing with this endeavour. Erasmus+ will also support the mobilisation of the European platforms such as the School Education Gateway in this regard. The Programme will support the promotion of European common values or the fight against disinformation and fake news.

In this context, in 2023, the objective is to support actions that contribute to:

Tackling early school leaving, low basic skills proficiency and educational disadvantage, enabling school success for all learners regardless of their personal situation and socioeconomic background, with a special focus on children at risk of underachievement and drop-

⁵¹ OJ C, C/504, 14.12.2021, p. 21

⁵² https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/44115/st08269-en20.pdf

⁵³ OJ C, C/167, 21.04.2022, p. 2

out (e.g. refugees, pupils with disabilities or with migrant background, ethnic minorities, from low-educated families, or living in remote areas⁵⁴), for example by: promoting whole-school approaches to tacking underachievement and early leaving from education and training; strengthening collaboration among all actors within schools, as well as with families and other external stakeholders; improving transitions between different stages of education; fostering monitoring, preventive and early intervention approaches; addressing well-being, mental health, personal empowerment, including combatting bullying and harassment at school and online; supporting networking of schools which promote collaborative and holistic approaches to teaching and learning; developing strong quality assurance systems to achieve high-quality inclusive education. Their importance became even clearer after school closures linked to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Developing high quality inclusive early childhood education and care systems (in line with the ECEC Council Recommendation⁵⁵), for example by: supporting initial and continuing professional development of all staff involved in organising, leading and providing early childhood education and care; creating, testing or implementing strategies and practices to foster participation of all children in early childhood education and care, including children in need of special support (e.g. refugees, children with fewer opportunities, including children with disabilities, children from a migrant background, Roma children, etc...); promoting the implementation of the EU quality framework for quality early childhood education and care.

Strengthening recruitment, retention and regeneration within the school education profession, including teachers, school leaders and teacher educators, for example by: making careers more attractive and coherent, including by developing diverse pathways and national frameworks for school education careers; strengthening selection, recruitment and evaluations (models of staff appraisal, assessment and feedback); enhancing teachers' initial education, induction, and continuous professional development and linking its different phases through collaboration between teacher education providers; supporting the development of leadership competences through specific professional development opportunities and promoting distributed leadership; facilitating and significantly increasing teacher mobility, including by overcoming remaining obstacles and developing a policy framework on teacher mobility; supporting national administrations and stakeholders' collaboration to develop innovative approaches to teaching and learning, including assessment methods, for broad competence development.

Reinforcing the development of a range of key competences (in line with the Council Recommendation on Key Competences for Lifelong Learning⁵⁶) for example by: promoting cross-curricular and cross-disciplinary collaboration; supporting innovation in teaching and learning approaches; supporting the blend of different learning environments and tools, including digital tools; supporting the creation and implementation of digital transformation plans of schools; supporting cooperation between schools and stakeholders in local communities and abroad; supporting system-wide collaboration in developing varied approaches to the assessment and validation of key competences.

Promoting learning for environmental sustainability, for example by (i) raising awareness and prompting positive action at both personal and societal levels to address sustainability and the climate crisis and to tackle eco-anxiety; (ii) developing the key competences (knowledge, skills and attitudes) related to sustainability as set out in the European sustainability competence framework; (iii) strengthening the professional competences of pre and in-service teachers, and school leadership teams related to sustainability and the environmental crisis;

⁵⁴ Such as the EU outermost regions which feature some of the EU highest early school leaving rates

⁵⁵ https://ec.europa.eu/education/policies/early-childhood-education-and-care en

⁵⁶ OJ C 189, 4.6.2018, p. 1–13.

(iv) testing of innovative practices to prepare learners from early school ages and educational staff to become "agents for change" (e.g. behavioural changes towards recycling, reduced consumption, and sustainable lifestyles, engaging at an individual and collective level with sustainability and environmental issues); and (v) supporting whole-school approaches to sustainability including green and sustainable buildings and grounds, as well as creativity and innovation in line with the New European Bauhaus.

Promoting a comprehensive approach to language teaching and learning (in line with the Council Recommendation on language teaching and learning⁵⁷), building on the increasing linguistic diversity in schools, for example by: promoting the concept by "language aware schools", valorising home languages, ultimately strengthening proficiency in the language of schooling among pupils with diverse backgrounds, encouraging language learning and awareness from early childhood education and care and in a lifelong learning perspective; mainstreaming the use of new technologies to support language learning; supporting the integration of the language dimension across the curricula; focusing on reaching adequate competence levels by the end of compulsory education; developing bilingual teaching options, especially for border regions and/or in areas where inhabitants use more than one language ⁵⁸.

Increasing the levels of achievement and interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). This priority will include, among others: promoting the development of national STEM strategies; developing partnerships between schools, businesses, higher education institutions, research institutions, and wider society including actors in the field of youth; promoting effective and innovative pedagogies and assessment; supporting girls interest in STEM and overcoming gender stereotypes in education and educational careers; promoting the STE(A)M approach to education through interdisciplinary teaching of STEM in cultural, environmental, economic, and other contexts, with the involvement of all academic disciplines.

Building capacity for promoting and facilitating recognition of learning periods abroad (including follow-up to the Council Recommendation on automatic mutual recognition), including promoting recognition of formal education and transversal competences developed through non-formal and informal learning, for example by: building administrative capacity of schools to support participation of pupils in transnational projects and peer exchanges, including by pooling capacity of several schools through joint projects or projects led by local and regional school authorities, coordination bodies and other organisations with a role in school education; establishing sustainable partnerships between organisations setting cross-border learning exchanges in general education; promoting embedded class exchanges or pupil mobility in school Programmes; ensuring appropriate safety standards for pupils participating in transnational mobility; developing and disseminating tools and mechanisms for the preparation, monitoring and recognition of periods abroad; and sharing and promoting good practices.

Supporting **Innovators at school**, for school partnerships to involve leading personalities from start-ups to act as ambassadors and mentors to inspire young people, and invite them to develop new ideas and solutions.

Vocational education and training (VET)⁵⁹

The 2021 Council Resolution on a strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030)⁶⁰ lays down a

⁵⁷ OJ C 189, 5.6.2019, p. 15–22.

⁵⁸ In line with the Council Recommendation on a comprehensive approach to the teaching and learning of languages

⁵⁹ <u>https://op.europa.eu/webpub/empl/VET-skills-for-today-and-future/en</u>

comprehensive framework, which intends to cover teaching, training and learning in all contexts and levels, including vocational education and training (VET).

The recently adopted **European Skills Agenda** sets-out ambitious targets to ensure Europeans improve or gain new skills throughout their life and career, with a particular emphasis on upand re-skilling the workforce for the twin green and digital transitions. One of the key actions of the Skills Agenda is the **Council Recommendation on Vocational Education and Training (VET)**⁶¹, which was then followed by the Osnabrück Declaration⁶² endorsed by the Ministers in charge of VET of the Member States, the EU Candidate Countries and the European Economic Area countries, the European social partners and the European Commission who agreed on a new set of policy actions in VET for the period of 2021-2025, aimed to complement and operationalise the vision and strategic objectives formulated in the Council Recommendation⁶³.

The VET Recommendation is aimed at equipping young people and adults to manage the just transitions to the green and digital economy, while ensuring inclusiveness and equal opportunities and contributing to achieving resilience, social fairness and prosperity, as well as to promote European vocational education and training systems in an international context so that they are recognized as a worldwide reference for vocational learners. It puts forward actions to be implemented at both national and EU level aiming to modernise vocational education and training by adapting it to a more digital and greener economy and also to the evolving labour market and society needs, while providing quality opportunities for young and adults alike, reinforcing opportunities for work-based learning and apprenticeships in line with the 2018 Council Recommendation on a 'European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships'⁶⁴, increasing flexibility of VET by encouraging modular and non-formal learning methods, increasing the digital readiness of VET institutions, boosting the quality assurance of vocational education and training and to promote Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVE), as well as exploring the concept and use of micro-credentials, including in VET, together with Member States and relevant stakeholders, including in the context of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF) Advisory Group, as proposed in the European Skills Agenda.

The CoVEs connect reference VET providers across Member States, foster cooperation, including with stakeholders, and strive to develop high quality curricula and qualifications focused on sectoral skills needs and societal challenges. They act as drivers of excellence and innovation and promote a proactive role for VET in local and regional economic development, including by seeking synergies with higher education institutions and jointly contributing to the provision of the range of skills needed in our modern economies and societies. The Centres will act as entrepreneurial incubators and catalysts for investment.

The Erasmus+ Programme will contribute to the achievement of the three quantitative objectives defined in the Council Recommendation on VET. By 2025:

- the share of employed graduates should be at least 82%;
- 60% of recent graduates from vocational education and training benefit from exposure to work-based learning;

⁶² https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=738&langId=en&pubId=8441

⁶⁰ OJ C 66, 26.2.2021, p. 1

⁶¹ Council Recommendation of 24 November 2020 on vocational education and training (VET) for sustainable competitiveness, social fairness and resilience, OJ C 417, 02.12.2020

⁶³ See the publication on '<u>Vocational education and training: Skills for today and for the future'</u>

⁶⁴ OJ C 153, 2.5.2018, p. 1

• 8% of learners in vocational education and training benefit from a learning mobility abroad.

The Programme is the main source of EU funding that contributes to achieve the target of 8% for learners benefiting from a mobility experience abroad.

Erasmus+ can contribute to help the **VET learners and staff among the people fleeing from Ukraine**, and the education systems of the countries receiving them. Erasmus+ will support the integration of VET learners, integrate as much as possible staff who are refugees themselves, and support the staff of host countries in dealing with this endeavour. The Programme will also support the promotion of European common values or the fight against disinformation and fake news.

In the field of vocational education and training (both initial and continuing), actions contributing to the following objectives linked to the Council Recommendation on VET and the Osnabrück Declaration will be supported in 2023:

- Agile VET, which adapts to labour market needs. This includes a) VET programmes that offer a balanced mix of vocational including technical skills well aligned to all economic cycles, evolving jobs and working methods and key competences, including solid basic skills, digital, languages, transversal, green and other life skills which provide strong foundations for resilience, lifelong learning, lifelong employability, social inclusion, active citizenship and personal development; b) VET curricula, programme offers and qualifications which are regularly updated, building on skills intelligence (i.e. graduate tracking systems, skills anticipation mechanisms, including at sectoral and regional levels); c) an appropriate degree of autonomy of VET providers, flexibility, support and funding to adapt their training offer to changing skills needs, green and digital transitions and economic cycles; d) VET programme at all levels which comprise work-based learning components that are further expanded also in continuing vocational education and training, and complemented by appropriate support and measures to stabilise the offer of apprenticeships and to address specific challenges of small companies to create workbased learning opportunities in different sectors of the economy.
- Flexible VET, which provides progression opportunities. This includes a) learner centred VET programmes that offer access to face-to-face and digital or blended learning, flexible and modular pathways based on the recognition of the outcomes of non-formal and informal learning, and open up career and learning progression; b) continuing vocational training programmes designed to be adaptable to labour market, sectoral or individual up- or reskilling needs; and c) VET programmes which are based on modules or units of learning outcomes and validation mechanisms allowing the transfer, recognition and accumulation of individuals' learning outcomes with a view to gaining a qualification, a partial qualification, as relevant in the national context. Actions will also aim to close existing gaps in the access to training for working age adults, and at empowering them to successfully manage labour market transitions.
- VET driving innovation and growth, and preparing for the digital and green transitions. This includes a) integration of VET into economic, industrial and innovation strategies, including those linked to green and digital transitions; b) expansion of the training offer fostering the acquisition of entrepreneurial, digital and green skills; c) establishment of Centres of Vocational Excellence, which act as catalysts for local business investment, supporting green and digital transitions, European and regional innovation and smart specialisation strategies, development of

vocational education and training, including at higher qualification levels (European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning EQF levels 5-8), in line with national context and provide innovative services such as clusters and business incubators for start-ups and technology innovation for SMEs, as well as innovative reskilling solutions for workers at risk of redundancy; and d) access to state-of-the-art infrastructure, digitalisation strategies in line with national context and environmental and social sustainability in VET programmes and organisational management, thus contributing to the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

- VET as an attractive choice based on modern and digitalised provision of training/skills. This includes a) permeability between both initial and continuing vocational education and training, general education and higher education; b) development of VET at EQF levels 5 to 8; c) delivery based on a mix of open, digital and participative learning environments, including learning conducive workplaces supported by state-of-the-art and accessible infrastructure, equipment and technology, and accompanied by versatile pedagogies and tools (e.g. ICT based simulators, virtual and augmented reality); d) initial and continuing professional development of VET teachers and trainers and the creation and implementation of digital transformation plans of VET institutions to foster technical and digital skills and effective innovative training methods, including teaching in virtual environment, in line with state of the art vocational and digital pedagogy, work with digital learning tools, and in diverse and multicultural environments; e) internationalisation strategies supporting a strategic approach to international cooperation in VET, including the preparation, training and participation of VET learners and staff in international, national, regional and sectoral skills competitions; f) Opportunities for learning mobility of vocational learners and staff, including through the Digital Opportunity Traineeships (DOT), virtual mobility, long-duration mobility and mobility to third countries not associated to the Programme are in place, facilitated by the use and recognition of units of learning outcomes and of relevant European tools (Memorandum of Understanding, Learning Agreement, Europass Mobility); and g) high quality lifelong learning and career guidance services, making full use of Europass and other digital services, including the European Digital Credentials for Learning $(EDC)^{65}$.
- VET that promotes equal opportunities. This includes a) inclusive and accessible programmes for marginalised and vulnerable groups, such as people with disabilities, low-qualified/skilled persons, minorities, refugees, people with migrant background and people with fewer opportunities because of their geographical location such as people living in remote areas and/or their social-economically disadvantaged situation; b) targeted measures and flexible training formats prevent early leaving from education and training and support the school-to-work transition; c) programmes accessible through digital learning platforms, supported by tools, devices and internet connection, in particular for marginalised or vulnerable groups and people in rural or remote areas; and d) targeted measures promoting gender balance in traditionally "male" or "female" professions and address gender and other stereotypes.
- VET underpinned by a culture of quality assurance. This includes further development of national quality assurance systems, for both initial and continuing VET, in all learning environments (such as school-based provision and work-based learning, including apprenticeship schemes) and all learning types (digital, face-to-

⁶⁵ <u>https://europa.eu/europass/en/european-digital-credentials-learning</u>

face or blended), delivered by both public and private providers, underpinned by a set of indicative descriptors and common reference indicators for quality assurance in vocational education and training applied both at system and provider level as defined in Annex II of the Council Recommendation on VET. Actions to boost quality assurance in VET through a reinforcement of the European Quality Assurance in Vocational Education and Training EQAVET Framework, by exploring EU vocational core profiles, and the potential role of micro-credentials. The Programme will also contribute to the achievement of the three quantitative objectives defined in the Council Recommendation on VET.

Adult education

In the adult education field, in line with the quality objectives of the European Skills Agenda, the European Education Area, the European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan and the Council Resolution on a New European agenda for adult learning (NEAAL 2030), the Programme will contribute in 2023 - through mobility and cooperation actions - to empowering individuals' participation in inclusive education and training notably through support for non-formal, lifelong learning and local/community learning, social fairness reaching out to people of all backgrounds and in all geographical areas, urban or rural, including older adults. The European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan envisages that by 2030 adult participation in learning during the last 12 months should reach 60%, a target endorsed by Heads of State and Government in the Porto Social Summit of 7 May 2021. Member States have defined their national targets for participation of adults in learning. A major milestone is the target of 47% of adults participating in learning to be achieved by 2025, as defined in the Council Resolution on a strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030). Increasing the participation rate has clearly become a crucial policy objective, indispensable to harness the digital transformation and the shift to a climate neutral economy and society, as comprehensively argued in the European Skills Agenda. Many adults will need to adapt to evolving skills needs in a job, or to change occupation or sector, but also to be able to socially interact and actively participate in the life of their community. The Council Recommendation on individual learning accounts⁶⁶ is aimed at promoting directly financial support to individuals accompanied by appropriate forms of non-financial assistance, in particular guidance as well as skills profiling and validation. The Pact for Skills, the main flagship action of the European Skills Agenda, is gathering momentum with more than 600 organisations having signed the Charter. Large-scale partnerships are being created and the Erasmus Partnerships for Innovation are proving an effective tool in supporting strategic skills alliances at sectoral level, building on the experience of the Blueprint alliances.

Continued implementation of the 2016 Council Recommendation on 'Upskilling Pathways: New Opportunities for Adults'⁶⁷ is crucial to meet the objectives of the European Skills Agenda, to increase participation of low-qualified adults and the share of adults with (at least) basic digital skills. 'Upskilling Pathways' recommends Member States to 'offer adults with a low level of skills, knowledge and competences access to upskilling pathways, to acquire a minimum level of literacy, numeracy and digital competence; and/or acquire a wider set of skills, knowledge and competences relevant for the labour market and active participation in society', accompanied by outreach, assessment, guidance, validation and financial support and specific teacher training, to make the learning offer relevant and targeted to the learners needs.

⁶⁶ OJ C 243, 27.06.2022, p. 3

⁶⁷ OJ C 484, 24.12.2016, p. 1

Beyond basic skills, the partnerships within the 'Pact for Skills', an action of the European Skills Agenda, will have adult upskilling and reskilling as their main focus.

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In the field of adult education, the following objectives should be pursued in 2023:

- The development and provision of **skills for life**⁶⁸, in particular for those most in need of access to learning, including refugees, through non-formal, life-wide, intergenerational, inter-cultural and community learning, in cooperation with local actors like formal education and training institutions, municipalities, local learning centres, museums, libraries, cultural centres, NGOs, etc., and including measures for outreach and engagement of learners.
- Taking action for the green transition and climate change so that learners of all ages and from all backgrounds can access high-quality and inclusive education on climate change, among others through the development of guidelines and curricula for learning for environmental sustainability in adult learning, in a learner-centred, engaging way, based on real-life experiences and relevant to local contexts and traditions.
- The creation and implementation of **digital transformation plans** of adult learning institutions.
- The setup or enlarging of an access to **upskilling pathways** for adults with a low level of skills, knowledge and competences allowing them to enhance their literacy, numeracy and digital competences, as well as other key competences, and to progress towards higher qualifications, including through skills identification and screening or tailored learning offers.
- Empowering and enabling adults to participate in training in order to reduce skills gaps and labour market shortages, in particular through individual learning accounts, complemented by the provision of enabling services. This should include guidance, validation, recognition (including through micro-credentials), transparency of the quality of training opportunities and educational leave arrangements.
- Improving and extending the **supply of high quality learning opportunities for adults** by making available flexible learning offers adapted to their learning needs (e.g. blended learning, digital learning applications), and by the validation of skills acquired through informal and non-formal learning or through micro-credentials.
- Increasing **learning demand and take-up** through effective outreach, guidance and motivation strategies that support and encourage low-skilled and/or low-qualified adults, migrants, seniors and people with disabilities or social disadvantages; developing guidance as a service to ensure that adults have access to relevant learning throughout life.
- Extending and developing the competences of educators and teachers and other

⁶⁸ 'Skills for Life' encompasses a wide range of skills that people need in all different areas of life. While these are neither vocational skills nor directly linked to skills for the labour market, they may also support people in their professional activities or in further training. Examples of these skills include (non-exhaustive list): environmental literacy, health and dietary literacy, consumer and financial literacy, media literacy and critical thinking, civic skills, resilience, social and emotional literacy, digital skills etc.

personnel who support adult learners, in particular in developing their skills to recognise and respond to individual learning needs e.g. designing tailored paths or plans adapted to learner background and circumstances; support educators, including leadership teams, to teach and act for sustainability; develop the digital competences of educators, e.g. through the Digital Opportunity Traineeships (DOTs) and improve teaching methods and tools through effective use of innovative solutions and digital technologies.

- Developing **mechanisms to monitor the effectiveness** and improve quality assurance of adult learning policies and provision, and to track the progress of adult learners.
- **Creating and promoting learning opportunities** among all citizens and generations, including intergenerational learning, with a view to building better understanding of the European Union and its values, and adding solidity to the European identity.

Youth

One of the transversal priorities of the Erasmus+ Programme is to support participation in democratic life, promote common values and foster active citizenship. This was a key focus of the **European Year of Youth** where the objectives were to listen, engage and empower the European Youth. Building on the achievements and contributing to the long-lasting legacy of the 2022 European Year of Youth, the Programme will continue in 2023 to empower young people and to encourage their participation in democratic life. It will inter alia build on the new ways of dialogue with young people, and the new partnerships developed through the year with stakeholders and policies across the board.

In line with the EU Youth Strategy, the Erasmus+ actions supported in 2023 under the Youth strand also contribute to the implementation of the **Council Resolution on the Framework for establishing a European Youth Work Agenda**. Through the **Erasmus+ accreditation system in the field of youth**, the Programme will facilitate cross-border exchanges for young people and youth workers (in certain cases beyond the EU), and cooperation, build capacity of organisations and overall foster quality development of youth work, including through the implementation of the European Youth Work Agenda and the Bonn Process, and the definition of common skills. Through promotion of education and training of youth workers and non-vocational qualifications for youth work, the Programme will also encourage the mobility of youth workers within the EU. Erasmus+ will support types of actions such as the **Youth participation activities** and **DiscoverEU** that aim to enhance the focus on empowering young people, fostering their active participation in the society and supporting their personal and professional development.

In this respect, the EU seeks to help eliminate obstacles to volunteering in Europe by raising awareness, increasing the capacity to offer volunteering opportunities, reducing barriers to participation especially for disadvantaged groups and increasing the recognition of skills gained. The **Council Recommendation** of 5 April 2022 on the mobility of young volunteers across the European Union⁶⁹ sets out the current framework for this.

Also in line with the EU Youth Strategy, the Programme will promote projects aiming at engaging, connecting and empowering young people: priority will be given to strengthening cross-sectorial cooperation, allowing for greater synergies across different areas of actions that matter for young people. A special focus will be put on participation – including alternative and innovative forms of participation –and active citizenship of young people, notably those that involve youth at risk of social exclusion and discrimination and those living in remote or outermost regions where there are few educational possibilities.

⁶⁹ OJ C 157, 11.4.2022, p. 1–9

Erasmus+ can contribute to help the **young people and youth workers among the refugees fleeing from Ukraine**, and the non-formal education providers of the countries receiving them. Erasmus+ will support the integration of learners, integrate as much as possible youth workers who are refugees themselves, and support the youth work providers of host countries in dealing with this endeavour. The Programme will also support the promotion of European common values or the fight against disinformation and fake news.

Against this background, the Programme will help to:

Engage

- Enhance the participation of all young people in democratic and civic life in Europe;
- Enable young people to connect with, express their views and be heard by elected policy-makers, public administrations, interest groups, civil society organisations or individuals active in political or social processes affecting their lives;
- Enhance critical thinking and media literacy among young people to strengthen democracy and counter manipulation, propaganda and disinformation;
- Broaden and deepen political, civic and social participation of young people at local, regional, national, European or global level, including encouraging participation in, synergies and exchanges with national volunteering schemes including national civil service schemes where they exist.

<u>Connect</u>

- Foster active citizenship and notably volunteering and solidarity among young people;
- Increase social inclusion of all young people, building on EU values;
- Promote intercultural dialogue and promote knowledge about and acceptance of diversity and tolerance in society;
- Strengthen young people's sense of initiative, notably in the social field and to support their communities, including to help reimagine how to live better together after the pandemic, by building on their willingness to participate in policies relevant to build a more sustainable future and also on their creativity, building on the European Green Deal;
- Promote entrepreneurship, creative learning and social entrepreneurship among young people;
- Reinforce links between policy, research and practice and promote better knowledge about the situation of young people and youth policies.

Empower

- Contribute to quality and innovation in youth work and its recognition, in line with the priorities enshrined in the European Youth Work Agenda and the December 2020 Bonn Declaration;
- Contribute to the quality of education and training and of non-vocational qualifications for youth workers and support projects in developing and sharing methods in order to contribute to the European Education Area;
- Support capacity-building of youth workers and youth work practices, whether they are digital or face-to-face;
- Support youth workers in developing and sharing effective methods in reaching out to marginalised young people, in preventing racism and intolerance among youth, and in addressing the risks, opportunities, and implications of digitalisation;
- Foster the inclusion and employability of young people with fewer opportunities (including for persons not in education, employment or training), with particular emphasis in young people at risk of marginalisation and those with a migrant background, as well as those living in remote areas;

- Open up youth work to cross-sectoral cooperation allowing greater synergies across all areas of actions that address the concerns of young people;
- Ease transition of young people from youth to adulthood, including supporting the integration into the labour market by addressing key competences and other organisational support that youth work can bring;
- Promote recognition and validation of youth work and informal and non-formal learning at European, national, regional and local levels.

Sport

The fourth **EU Work Plan for Sport** sets the basis for intense cooperation in three priority areas: the integrity and the values of sport, the socio-economic and environmental dimensions of sport, and promotion of sport and physical activity. This includes in 2023 actions related to governance, education, inclusion, gender equality, sport for all generations, green and sustainable sport.

The priority of sport actions will continue to be grassroots sport, increased participation in sport and awareness of the importance of health-enhancing physical activity. Building on the success of the Tartu Call for a Healthy Life Style, the initiative HealthyLifestyle4All launched by Commissioner Mariya Gabriel in September 2021⁷⁰ will further strengthen cross-sectoral cooperation to promote healthy lifestyles. The HealthyLifestyle4All initiative, through its three pillars is devoted to 1) raising awareness on healthy lifestyles, 2) having a better access to sport and physical activity and 3) creating a holistic approach to food, health and sport in youth, one of its key target audiences.

In 2023, the Erasmus+ Programme will continue to promote participation in sport and physical activity and will put emphasis on grassroots sport, with a view to ensuring increased participation of small-sized organisations. For the first time support for **mobility in the field of sport** will be included in the Programme. The regulation establishing Erasmus+ Programme 2021-2027 provides a framework for setting up a mobility action of sport staff. The legal base states that the consistency and complementarity with the relevant European Union Work Plan for Sport should be ensured. There is a need to focus, in particular, on grassroots sport, taking into account the important role that sports play in promoting physical activity and a healthy lifestyle, interpersonal relations, social inclusion.

The sport actions will continue to support projects encouraging the promotion of healthy lifestyles for all. This includes activities related to the HealthyLifestyle4All initiative, the European Week of Sport and traditional sports and games. The Programme will continue to support initiatives that tackle cross-border threats to the integrity of sport, such as doping, match fixing and violence, as well as all kinds of intolerance, harassment and discrimination and activities leading to or related to violent extremism. It will also promote and support good governance in sport and dual careers of athletes and voluntary activities in sport, together with social inclusion, including of refugees and migrants. The implementation of the Erasmus+ sport actions will continue to assist sporting organisations and clubs to recover from the COVID-19 crisis. Continuity will be ensured in the support the implementation of EU guidelines (EU Physical Activity Guidelines and EU Guidelines on Dual Careers of Athletes). Social inclusion, promotion of good governance principles and the fight against violence and intolerance in sport will also be a major focus within the Sport actions in 2023. The sport actions will also add a new dimension promoting peace through sport. This includes, for instance, the support of sport organisations to people who have fled Ukraine.

⁷⁰ <u>https://ec.europa.eu/sport/news/healthylifestyle4all-campaign-launch_en</u>

In the same vein, sport and physical activity at all levels can make their own facilities and activities sustainable. The Programme can foster green and sustainable physical activity and sports practices, as mentioned in the Council conclusions adopted in April 2022 on 'Sport and physical activity, a promising lever to transform behaviour for sustainable development'⁷¹.

The European Week of Sport will be used to raise awareness of the need to practice sport and physical activity, including for health reasons. The annual **EU Sport Forum** will continue to be a unique opportunity for sport organisations to meet and discuss key topics in the field of sport with policy makers, representatives of EU institutions, and Member States.

In addition the **SHARE** (SportHub: Alliance for Regional development in Europe) initiative will continue to promote the role of sport and physical activity as an instrument for economic social and cultural development towards more healthy and active communities, and enabling spaces for healthy lifestyles, for instance in the context of the New European Bauhaus.

The **#Beinclusive EU sport awards** will once again recognise sport organisations working with ethnic minorities, refugees, people with disabilities, youth groups at risk, or other groups that face inequalities and challenging social circumstances. The **#BeInclusive awards** will also support sport as a tool for sustaining peace. A new gala of the **#BeActive awards** will be organised in 2023 to support projects and individuals that are dedicated to promoting sport and physical activity across Europe.

The Programme will continue to support evidence-based policy in the field of sport. Two groups of experts in the fields of *Green Sport* and *Strengthening the recovery and the crisis resilience of the sport sector during and in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic* will support the Sport actions.

Jean Monnet

Jean Monnet activities continue to bring important contributions to the reflections on the future of Europe by promoting excellence in teaching and research in the field of European studies, in Europe and worldwide. Jean Monnet actions represent a very effective EU Public Diplomacy tool.

Jean Monnet actions enhance understanding and foster knowledge and awareness about EU matters and policies through increased opportunities for teaching, learning and debating, both at higher education and general education and training levels, while improving the quality of teaching and professional training on EU subjects. Jean Monnet activities also foster the dialogue between the academic world and policy-makers to enhance governance of EU policies.

Jean Monnet will also create opportunities to foster academic debates and exchange of best practices on values and democracy - including in third countries; as well as opportunities to recognise at EU level the efforts of universities driving the digital transformation across the EU.

The Jean Monnet action also supports activities in other fields of education and training (schools and vocational education and training), aiming to diversify and mainstream EU-related subjects in study programmes, to raise awareness and exchange views, as well as to develop relevant content and innovative learning tools.

The Jean Monnet action will continue the support to the designated institutions pursuing an aim of European interest, as identified in the legal basis, providing high quality service e.g. offering high-quality academic teaching on EU related issues, research for preparing future policies, teaching, dissemination of results and general information for the broad public.

⁷¹ <u>EUR-Lex - C:2022:170:TOC - EN - EUR-Lex (europa.eu)</u>

2.3 ERASMUS+ AND THE RESILIENCE AND SOLIDARITY OF THE UNION

The European Union has faced in recent years the **COVID-19 pandemic**, putting a serious strain on the economy, labour market, social, health and education and training systems of Member States; the Union now faces the consequences of the **Russian invasion of Ukraine** for our societies and economy, and in particular an unprecedented number of refugees in a short amount of time, many of them in urgent need to be reintegrated in a learning environment, while keeping whenever possible links with their language and culture.

These shocks also underlined the importance to reflect on the role of democracy in our society and highlighted the key role of civic education, media literacy, digital youth work and awareness of disinformation to promote active participation and engagement of the young. These aspects are well reflected in the proposals coming from the Conference on the future of Europe⁷², on which the European Commission proposed a follow up in a Communication in June 2022⁷³.

During the pandemic peak, the massive shift towards online education and digital youth work emphasized the need for quick reforms, capacity-building, teacher and youth workers training, skills development, new pedagogies and further transnational cooperation in quality assurance, but also to prepare for the future and increase digital readiness. The vital role of digitalisation became abundantly clear in preserving uninterrupted and fair access to quality education, in enabling educators to minimise disruption and ensuring the continuity of assessment and examination.

In 2023, the Programme will therefore continue investing in mobility and cooperation in education and training, youth and sport, to foster skills and competences development necessary for the twin transitions, and to contribute to the resilience of the Union.

The concrete mobilisation of the Erasmus+ Programme to support Europe's recovery throughout its sectors and actions will also be crucial to mitigate the **socio-economic and educational consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine**, while preparing Europe's future and promoting common values, in a spirit of **solidarity among its people**.

The Programme will provide strong support to the Erasmus+ beneficiaries to cover their additional efforts in helping to ensure continued learning for refugees. With the aim to ensure broadest possible coverage and allow flexibility of use where there is a need, the funds would boost the Erasmus+ programme as a whole in all relevant actions. It will benefit learners, teachers and trainers as well as organisations that are active on the ground (education and training institutions, youth organisations, relevant NGOs and more broadly education and training systems). The **Erasmus+ resilience and solidarity effort** will mobilise hundreds of thousands of schools, higher education institutions, vocational training institutes, teachers, young people, youth and sport organisations, civil society and other stakeholders.

2.4 Synergies with other EU instruments

The Erasmus+ Regulation recalls the need to seek for synergies with other Union programmes in order to optimise the European added value of its activities, facilitate the upscaling of projects, increase its impact, help promoters of Programme projects to apply for grants or develop synergies with support from the Cohesion Policy Funds and from the other

⁷² Conference report on the final outcome, May 2022: 8pl7jfzc6ae3jy2doji28fni27a3 (prod-cofe-platform.s3.eu-central-1.amazonaws.com)

⁷³ Commission Communication "Conference on the future of Europe: Putting Vision into Concrete Action", COM (2022) 404

programmes. The Regulation also includes specific provisions aiming to facilitate the alternative funding of project proposals that have passed the quality assessment under a given Call for proposals but cannot be financed due to budgetary constraints, through the award of the **Seal of Excellence**⁷⁴.

In 2023, the Programme will support a more structured approach to the development of synergies with Cohesion policy programmes, in particular the ESF+ programmes, by piloting the Seal of Excellence through Erasmus+ flagship actions⁷⁵. Notwithstanding the voluntary uptake of this tool from other funding authorities, the Seal of Excellence facilitates the building of synergies between programmes, by allowing win-win strategic investments on projects that meet common objectives. A more extensive development of effective synergies and complementarities with other funding sources at national or regional level will be also fostered through specific additional support to the National Agencies.

The Programme indeed aims to enhance the opportunities for synergies with other EU funding instruments. This approach is in line with the Council Conclusions on a European strategy empowering higher education institutions for the future of Europe, which support synergies with Horizon Europe or other programmes and instruments, to enable alliances of higher education institutions such as European Universities to reach their full potential.

⁷⁴ See Article 32(3) of the Erasmus+ Regulation and 73 of CPR.

⁷⁵ See part II of the Annual work programme.

PART II - GRANTS, PROCUREMENTS AND OTHER ACTIONS

1. BUDGET LINES AND BASIC ACT

Budget 07 03 01 01, 07 03 01 02, 07 03 02, 07 03 03, 07 02 13, 14 02 01 50 and lines: 15 02 01 02

Basic act: Regulation (EU) 2021/817⁷⁶ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 establishing the Erasmus+: the Union programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013;

Regulation (EU) No 2021/947⁷⁷ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 09 June 2021 establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument - Global Europe, amending and repealing Decision No 466/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU) 2017/1601 and Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 480/2009;

Regulation (EU) No 2021/1529⁷⁸ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 September 2021 establishing an Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III);

Regulation (EU) 2021/1060⁷⁹ of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy.

2. METHODS OF INTERVENTION

On the basis of the objectives given in the Erasmus+ Regulation, the 2023 Work Programme will be implemented through:

- Actions implemented through indirect management;
- Actions implemented through direct management:
 - o Grants;
 - Procurements;
 - Experts;
 - Other actions.

⁷⁶ OJ L 189, 28.05.2021, p. 1

⁷⁷ OJ L 209, 14.06.2021, p.1

⁷⁸ OJ L 330, 20.9.2021, p. 1

⁷⁹ OJ L 231 of 30.6.2021, p. 159

a) ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED THROUGH INDIRECT MANAGEMENT AND GRANTS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT

To achieve the objectives and policy priorities announced in Part I of this Work Programme, general and specific calls for proposals will be published by the European Commission or by the Executive Agency in accordance with Article 189 (1) of the Financial Regulation (FR).

Each year, after adoption of the financing decision, based on Article 110 of the FR, a General Call for Proposals is published. The General Call for Proposals for the implementation of the Erasmus+ Programme includes the Programme Guide. The Erasmus+ Programme Guide aims to assist all those interested in developing projects within the Programme. It helps them understand the objectives and the actions of the Programme. It also gives detailed information on what are the minimum requirements for applying and what level of grant is offered. Finally, it informs about the grant selection procedure as well as the rules applying to successful applicants that become beneficiaries of an EU grant. The Programme Guide provides also detailed information as regards the eligibility, selection and award criteria for each type of project to be implemented. The quality of the proposals will be assessed on the basis of the award criteria published per action in the guide.

Actions will be implemented both in direct and indirect management. All actions implemented through the National Agencies (marked as NA), are to be considered as indirect management. Grants through direct management will be those awarded by EAC, EMPL or EACEA.

Some grants will also be awarded in direct management in accordance with indents (c), (d) and (f) of Article 195 of the FR. With reference to Pillar Assessed International Organisations, the Commission may entrust them budget implementation tasks via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c)(ii) and 156(1) of the FR.

The calls for proposals that will be launched with a view to selecting actions to be co-financed in 2023, as well as the grants awarded under specific conditions without a call for proposals are specified further below in Part II of this Work Programme.

The majority of grants will be financed in the form of lump sums, reimbursement on the basis of unit costs and flat rate financing (simplified forms of grants). The use of these types of grants under Erasmus+ Programme has been approved by a "Decision authorising the use of lump sums and unit costs under the Erasmus+ Programme $2021 - 2027^{80}$ ". In accordance with this Decision, the methodology used to establish the simplified forms of grants and their levels ensures the respect of the principle of sound financing management and reasonable compliance with the principles of co-financing and no double funding.

For all grants the open access requirement of the Erasmus+ Programme applies. Any research output must be made available online following open access publishing principles. Any educational resources or software produced or modified must be made available online on suitable platforms⁸¹ and under fully open licenses which allow free use, sharing and modification. Justified exceptions are possible but must be requested and confirmed in writing.

Organisations, institutions and groups applying for any grant under Erasmus+ as detailed further below in Part II of this Work Programme will be assessed against the following selection criteria:

⁸⁰ <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/erasmus/guidance/ls-and-unit-cost-decision_erasmus_en.pdf</u>

⁸¹ Project results should be made available publicly on the Erasmus+ Project Results Platform

- Applicants must have stable and sufficient sources of funding to maintain their activity throughout the period during which the action is being carried out and to participate in its funding. The verification of the financial capacity does not apply to public bodies, including Member State organisations, international organisations, and if the individual requested amount is EUR 60 000 or lower. According to Article 21 (3) of the Regulation, public bodies, as well as schools, higher education institutions and organisations in the fields of education, training, youth and sport that have received over 50% of their annual revenue from public sources over the last two years shall be considered as having the necessary financial, professional and administrative capacity to carry out activities under the Programme. They shall not be required to present further documentation to demonstrate that capacity.
- Applicants must have the professional competences and qualifications required to complete the proposed action.

b) PROCUREMENTS

This Work Programme also includes actions that will be implemented by public procurement procedures (via calls for tenders or the use of framework contracts) (Title VII FR).

For actions implemented through framework contracts (FWC), in case existing FWC cannot be used, the Commission will consider publishing calls for tender to award new FWC.

c) CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST AND OTHER ACTIONS

This Work Programme includes costs related to the experts involved in the assessment of proposals and offers, in monitoring projects and in providing policy advice.

Accreditation processes are in place under certain actions in order to ensure the general quality framework for European and international cooperation activities. Holding an accreditation can be a pre-requisite to then be eligible to receive a grant for mobility projects under Key Action 1 or to participate in other actions of the Programme.

The Programme will also award prizes.

Furthermore, the Programme finances activities in cooperation with the Joint Research Centre (JRC) by means of specific administrative agreements. Wherever possible, preference will be given to relying on the expertise of the JRC to create a better knowledge base and to reinforcing the collection of evidence at EU level.

3. OBJECTIVES PURSUED AND EXPECTED RESULTS

Key Action 1

The projects supported under the Key Action 1 are expected to bring positive and long-lasting effects on the participants and participating organisations involved, as well as on the policy systems in which such activities are framed.

As regards students, trainees, apprentices, adult learners, pupils and young people, the mobility activities supported under this Key Action are meant to produce the main following outcomes:

- enhanced employability and improved career prospects;
- increased sense of initiative and entrepreneurship;
- increased self-empowerment and self-esteem;
- increased social inclusion and participation of people with fewer opportunities
- improved key competences, including foreign language and digital competences, enhanced intercultural awareness;
- more active participation in democratic life and in society in general;
- better awareness of the European project and the EU common values;
- increased motivation for taking part in future (formal/non-formal) education or training after the mobility period abroad.

As regards staff, youth workers and professionals involved in education, training and youth, the mobility activities are expected to produce the following outcomes:

- improved competences, linked to their professional profiles;
- broader understanding of practices, policies and systems in education/learning, training or youth across countries;
- greater understanding of interconnections between formal and non-formal education/learning, vocational training and the labour market respectively;
- better quality of their work and activities in favour of students, trainees, apprentices, pupils, adult learners and young people;
- greater understanding and responsiveness to structural inequalities, social, linguistic and cultural diversity, and greater awareness of how to prevent and combat discrimination;
- increased ability to address the needs of people with fewer opportunities;
- increased support for and promotion of mobility activities for learners;
- increased opportunities for professional and career development;
- improved key competences, including foreign language and digital competences;
- increased motivation and satisfaction in their daily work.

In the long run, the combined effect of the several thousands of projects supported under Key Action 1 is expected to have an impact on the education, training and youth systems in the participating countries, thus stimulating policy reforms and attracting new resources for mobility opportunities in Europe and beyond.

Key Action 2

Key Action 2 is expected to result in the development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices at organisational, local, regional, national or European levels. For the participating organisations, projects supported under this Key Action are intended to produce the main following outcomes:

 strengthened cooperation between organisations and institutions active in the fields of education, training, youth and sport;

- development of innovative and inclusive approaches in addressing and reaching out to target groups of education, training, youth and sport policies;
- increased participation of individuals with fewer opportunities in education, training, youth and sport activities;
- increased digital capacity and readiness of organisations and institutions and a more strategic and integrated use of digital technologies through digital transformation plans of education and training institutions;
- increased support for the creation and use of high-quality digital education content and relevant digital pedagogy methods and tools in education, training, youth and sport;
- more modern, dynamic, committed and professional environments inside the participating organisations: ready to integrate good practices and new methods into daily activities; open to synergies with organisations active in different fields or in other socio-economic sectors; strategic planning of professional development for staff in line with individual needs and organisational objectives;
- increased capacity of organisations and institutions to work and cooperate at EU/international level;
- improved sharing of good practices among organisations and institutions.

Key Action 3

The Actions implemented through Key Action 3 are intended to produce the main following results:

- improved quality, equity and inclusiveness of education and training systems as well as youth and sport policies;
- higher degree of transnational cooperation and mutual learning between competent authorities and policy makers in the fields of education, training, youth and sport;
- increased knowledge and analytical capacity to support evidence-based policies in the fields of education, training, youth and sport;
- availability of sound comparative international data and appropriate secondary analyses for European and national policy making;
- improved tools for assessment, transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications acquired through formal, non-formal and informal learning;
- good functioning of European networks in charge of guidance and implementing tools that foster the transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications acquired through formal, non-formal and informal learning;
- active involvement of civil society networks and non-governmental organisations in policy implementation;
- increased participation of young people and youth stakeholders in the EU Youth Dialogue, with particular attention to those with fewer opportunities;
- increased levels of participation of individuals in sport and physical/leisure activity, with particular attention to those with fewer opportunities;
- higher degree of exchanges of good practices, dialogue, mutual learning and cooperation among policy makers, practitioners and stakeholders from EU Member States, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme;
- increased public awareness about European policies in the fields of education, training, youth and sport as well as increased awareness about the results of the Erasmus+ Programme;
- greater synergies with other EU Programmes, such as the Cohesion Policy Funds, Horizon Europe, as well as with funding schemes at national or regional level.

Jean Monnet Actions

Activities are expected to produce the following main results:

- fostered knowledge and awareness about European Union matters;
- fostered excellence in teaching and research in EU studies;
- increased opportunities for teaching, learning and debating on EU subjects;
- improved quality of teaching and professional training on EU subjects;
- fostered dialogue between the academic world and policy-makers, in particular to enhance governance of EU policies;
- fostered dialogue between teachers in general education and training and their environment in particular to disseminate the experiences in the civil society;
- diversification and mainstreaming of EU-related subjects in teaching programmes of higher education institutions.

A. EDUCATION AND TRAINING

I. KEY ACTION 1

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Mobility projects

Index references in budget table (WPI):

1.01, 1.02, 1.03, 1.04, 1.05

Projects under this action promote mobility activities targeting learners (pupils, students, trainees, apprentices, adult learners), and staff (professors, teachers, trainers, and people working in organisations active in the education and training fields) and mainly aiming to support learners in the acquisition of competences (knowledge, skills and attitudes, including language competences) with a view to improving their personal, social, educational and professional development, enhance employability, entrepreneurship and improve career prospects on the labour market, and social inclusion.

Organisations active in the fields of education and training will receive support from the Erasmus+ Programme to carry out projects promoting different types of mobility. Mobility activities involve a minimum of two participating organisations from different countries.

Mobility activities in the fields of higher education and VET may also involve participating organisations from third countries not associated to the Programme.

These opportunities, funded by the Erasmus+ budget (Heading 2), include outgoing mobilities towards third countries not associated to the Programme. These opportunities are intended to encourage an organisation in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme to develop outgoing mobility activities with several third countries not associated to the Programme, and are expected to cover the widest possible geographic scope. Higher Education Institutions located in EU Member States and third countries associated to the programme have also the opportunity under the Erasmus+ call 2023, using funding made available from the EU external action instruments, to organise incoming and outgoing mobilities of students and staff from/to third countries not associated to the Programme.

Depending on the profile of participants involved, the following types of mobility projects are supported under this action:

<u>Mobility projects for higher education students and staff (funded by the Erasmus+ budget – MFF Heading 2)</u>

The following activities are supported: student mobility for studies; student mobility for traineeships (including Digital Opportunity Traineeships); staff mobility for teaching; staff mobility for training (including Digital Opportunity Trainings); blended intensive programmes.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: higher education institutions awarded with a higher education accreditation (Erasmus Charter for Higher Education - ECHE) as well as other public or private organisations coordinating a consortium awarded with a higher education accreditation. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

<u>Mobility project for Higher education students and staff from/to third countries not associated</u> <u>to the Programme (funded by the Erasmus+ budget – MFF Heading 6)</u>

The following activities are supported: student mobility for studies; student mobility for traineeships; staff mobility for teaching; staff mobility for training.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: higher education institutions awarded with a higher education accreditation as well as other public or private organisations coordinating a consortium awarded with a higher education accreditation. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme. Regions covered by this action are all regions covered by the external action instruments.

Mobility of learners and staff in vocational education and training

The following activities are supported:

- for VET learners and recent graduates: short-term and long-term (ErasmusPro) learning mobility (including Digital Opportunity Traineeships) as well as participation in skills competitions;
- for staff: job shadowing; teaching or training assignments; courses and training (including Digital Opportunity Traineeships);
- The Programme can also support the following activities: invited experts; hosting teachers and trainers in training; preparatory visits.

The activities for learner mobility will contribute to achieve the target of 8% for learners benefiting from a mobility experience abroad, as set in the 2020 Council Recommendation on VET as well as the deliverables of the Osnabrück Declaration, and in particular its Objective 4 on the international dimension of VET.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: organisations providing initial or continuing vocational education and training; local and regional public authorities, coordination bodies and other organisations with a role in the field of vocational education and training; companies and other public or private organisations hosting, training or otherwise working with learners and apprentices in vocational education and training. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

Mobility of pupils and staff in school education

The following activities are supported:

- for pupils: group mobility of school pupils; short-term learning mobility of pupils; long-term learning mobility of pupils;
- for staff: job shadowing; teaching assignments; courses and training (including Digital Opportunity Traineeships);
- in addition, the Programme can support the following activities: invited experts; hosting teachers and educators in training; preparatory visits.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: schools providing general education at pre-primary, primary or secondary level; local and regional public authorities, coordination bodies and

other organisations with a role in the field of school education. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

Mobility of learners and staff in adult education

The following activities are supported:

- for learners: group mobility of adult learners; learning mobility of adult learners;
- for staff: job shadowing; teaching or training assignments; courses and training (including Digital Opportunity Traineeships);
- in addition, the Programme can support the following activities: invited experts; hosting teachers and educators in training; preparatory visits.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: organisations providing formal, informal and nonformal adult education; local and regional public authorities, coordination bodies and other organisations with a role in the field of adult education. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

For implementing all the mobility projects above, the budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

Allocation ESF+ Germany

In accordance with Article 26 of the Common Provisions Regulation $(CPR)^{82}$ and Article 17(8) of the Erasmus+ Regulation, the German authorities have requested that a share of their national allocation under the European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) is transferred to Erasmus+. As established in Article 26(2) of CPR, the transferred resources shall be implemented for the benefit of the Member State concerned. In accordance with the Partnership Agreement of Germany⁸³, for 2023, the transferred resources will be allocated to Higher education mobility and will amount to EUR 12 000 000. The total amount transferred from ESF+ to Erasmus+ is within the 5% threshold established in Article 26(1) of CPR⁸⁴ for transfers to other instrument under direct or indirect management.

The financial envelope of mobility projects, by country and field is indicated in Part III of this work programme.

⁸² Regulation (EU) 2021/1060 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 June 2021 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund Plus, the Cohesion Fund, the Just Transition Fund and the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund and financial rules for those and for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund, the Internal Security Fund and the Instrument for Financial Support for Border Management and Visa Policy, OJ L 231 of 30.6.2021, p. 159.

⁸³ C(2022) 2369 of 19 April 2022.

⁸⁴ Article 26(1) of CPR: "Member States may request, in the Partnership Agreement or in a request for an amendment of a programme if agreed by the monitoring committee of the programme pursuant to point (d) of Article 40(2), the transfer of up to 5 % of the initial national allocation of each Fund to any other instrument under direct or indirect management, where such possibility is provided for in the basic act of such an instrument."

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	H2: 1 983 500 000 H6: 197 275 287
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b) Accreditation in the fields of VET, school education, adult education

Index references in budget table (WPI): 1.10

The accreditations in the field of VET, school education, and adult education define a quality framework for mobility activities in these fields and certify that the successful applicants are able to implement the applicable standards. The accreditations will be subject to regular monitoring and the holder's continued compliance with their requirements.

Accredited organisations will gain access to a simplified application procedure for Key Action 1 funding opportunities.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any organisation eligible to apply under the mobility projects in the fields of vocational education and training, school education, adult education and youth (see section a) above).

For implementing this accreditation procedure, the budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	N/A

c) Higher Education Mobility Consortium Accreditations

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 1.11

This accreditation allows other types of organisations than those in the section above, together with higher education institutions, to be involved in mobility projects in the field of higher education. The procedure for providing a Higher Education Mobility Consortium accreditation could be combined with the grant award procedure under Key Action 1 mobility of higher education students and staff (i.e. applications may be submitted at the same time).

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisations coordinating a higher education consortium. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

For implementing this accreditation procedure, the budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	N/A

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

a) Virtual exchanges in Higher Education and Youth - Heading 6

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 1.12

Many young people - especially in third countries - have no access to physical mobility. Hence the goal to expand the reach and scope of Erasmus+, based on the experience of the 2018-2020 virtual exchange pilot project⁸⁵. Virtual exchanges are online people-to-people activities that promote intercultural dialogue and soft skills development between individuals from third countries not associated to the Programme, EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme. They take place in small groups and are always moderated by a trained facilitator.

The specific objectives are the following:

- Encouraging intercultural dialogue with third countries not associated to the Programme and increasing tolerance through online people-to-people interactions, building on digital, youth-friendly technologies;
- Promoting various types of virtual exchanges as a complement to Erasmus+ physical mobility, allowing more young people to benefit from intercultural and international experience;
- Enhancing critical thinking and media literacy, particularly in the use of internet and social media, such as to counter discrimination indoctrination, polarization and violent radicalisation;
- Fostering the soft skills development of students, young people and youth workers, including the practice of foreign languages and teamwork, notably to enhance employability;
- Promoting citizenship and the common values of freedom, tolerance and nondiscrimination through education;
- Strengthening the youth dimension in the relations of the EU with third countries.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public and private organisation active in the field of higher education or youth. The coordinating organisation submitting the application must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
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⁸⁵ <u>https://europa.eu/youth/erasmusvirtual</u>

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3. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENTS

a) Language learning opportunities

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 1.20

The scheme for systematic language support will continue to offer on-line assessment and training in the language of instruction and work for learners and staff going on mobility, as well as the language of the country where they move.

Main features of the new Online Language Support will include a full range of online learning activities; language learning courses; additional vocation-specific learning materials for VET learners; assisted/blended learning tools to enable teachers and youth workers to provide extra support to their learners; social networking feature to allow participants to safely engage with each other in order to improve their language skills. The tool aims to give users the possibility to choose two languages they want to study, as well as their main points of interest (learn more vocabulary, practice grammar, oral practice, etc.). To a certain extent, basic language on-line activities may also be made available for the benefit of the general public.

The Online Language Support content will be hosted on the EU Academy platform. The EU Academy platform is developed by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) as a new corporate solution for the delivery of online training to EU institutions' staff and EU citizens.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 5.07).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	3 500 000

4. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

a) Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 1.30

This accreditation process ensures the general quality framework for European and international cooperation activities a higher education institution may carry out within the Programme. Holding an ECHE is a pre-requisite to be eligible to receive a mobility grant or to participate in other actions of the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	N/A

II. KEY ACTION 2

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Partnerships for Cooperation: Cooperation Partnerships in the field of education and training

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.01, 2.02, 2.03, 2.04

Cooperation Partnerships allow organisations to increase the quality and relevance of their activities, to develop and reinforce their networks of partners, to increase their capacity to operate jointly at transnational level, boosting internationalisation of their activities and through exchanging or developing new practices and methods as well as sharing and confronting ideas. They aim to support the development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices as well as the implementation of joint initiatives promoting cooperation, peer learning and exchanges of experience at European level. Results should be re-usable, transferable, up-scalable and, if possible, have a strong transdisciplinary dimension. Selected projects are expected to share the results of their activities at local, regional, national level and transnational level.

Cooperation Partnerships are anchored to the priorities and policy frameworks of each Erasmus+ sector while aiming at producing incentives for cross-sectoral and horizontal cooperation in thematic areas.

Erasmus+ stands with Ukraine: a particular focus will be given in 2023 to projects aiming at addressing the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the Education and Training sectors.

To be funded, Cooperation Partnerships must address at least one of the following priorities:

<u>Priorities applying to all Erasmus+ sectors:</u>

- Inclusion and diversity;
- Environment and fight against climate change;
- Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity;
- Common values, civic engagement and participation.

Priorities in the field of higher education:

- Promoting inter-connected higher education systems;
- Stimulating innovative learning and teaching practices;
- Developing STEM/STEAM in higher education, in particular women participation in STEM;
- Rewarding excellence in learning, teaching and skills development;
- Building inclusive higher education systems;
- Supporting digital and green capabilities of the higher education sector;
- Supporting innovation and entrepreneurial skills of students.

Priorities in the field of vocational education and training:

- Adapting vocational education and training to labour market needs;
- Increasing the flexibility of opportunities in vocational education and training;
- Contributing to innovation in vocational education and training;
- Increasing attractiveness of VET;
- Improving quality assurance in vocational education and training;
- Creation and implementation of internationalisation strategies for VET providers.

Priorities in the field of school education:

- Tackling learning disadvantage, early school leaving and low proficiency in basic skills;
- Supporting teachers, school leaders and other teaching professions;
- Development of key competences;
- Supporting innovators at school;
- Promoting a comprehensive approach to language teaching and learning;
- Promoting interest and excellence in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and the STEAM approach, in particular girls' interest in STEM;
- Developing high quality early childhood education and care systems;
- Recognition of learning outcomes for participants in cross-border learning mobility.

Priorities in the field of adult education:

- Increasing take-up and improving inclusiveness and accessibility of adult education;
- Improving the availability of high quality, flexible and recognised learning opportunities for adults;
- Creating upskilling pathways;
- Promoting local learning centres and innovative learning spaces;
- Improving the competences of educators and other adult learning staff;
- Creating and promoting learning opportunities among all citizens and generations;
- Enhancing quality assurance in adult learning opportunities.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation. Applications for cooperation partnerships in the fields of education and training are submitted to National Agencies (indirect management), with the exception of applications submitted by European NGOs and Europe-wide networks that are to be submitted to EACEA. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope by country and field is indicated in Part III of this work programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	284 600 000

b) Partnerships for Cooperation: Small-scale partnerships in the field of education and training

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.05, 2.06, 2.07

Small-scale Partnerships aim at widening access to the Programme to small-scale actors and individuals who are hard to reach in the fields of school education, adult education, vocational education and training. With low grant amounts awarded to organisations, short duration and simple administrative requirements, this action aims to reach out to grassroots organisations and newcomers to Erasmus+, enhancing the access to the Programme for organisations with smaller organisational capacity.

Small-scale Partnerships support flexible formats, combining activities with transnational and national character, although with a European dimension, that increase organisations means to reach out to people with fewer opportunities.

Erasmus+ stands with Ukraine: a particular focus will be given in 2023 to projects aiming at addressing the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the Education and Training sectors.

To be funded, small-scale Partnerships must address at least one of the following priorities:

Priorities applying to all Erasmus+ sectors:

- Inclusion and diversity;
- Environment and fight against climate change;
- Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity;
- Common values, civic engagement and participation.

Priorities in the field of vocational education and training:

- Adapting vocational education and training to labour market needs;
- Increasing the flexibility of opportunities in vocational education and training;
- Contributing to innovation in vocational education and training;
- Increasing attractiveness of VET;

- Improving quality assurance in vocational education and training;
- Creation and implementation of internationalisation strategies for VET providers.

Priorities in the field of school education:

- Tackling learning disadvantage, early school leaving and low proficiency in basic skills;
- Supporting teachers, school leaders and other teaching professions;
- Development of key competences;
- Supporting innovators at school;
- Promoting a comprehensive approach to language teaching and learning;
- Promoting interest and excellence in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) and the STEAM approach, in particular girls' interest in STEM;
- Developing high quality early childhood education and care systems;
- Recognition of learning outcomes for participants in cross-border learning mobility.

Priorities in the field of adult education:

- Increasing take-up and improving inclusiveness and accessibility of adult education;
- Improving the availability of high quality, flexible and recognised learning opportunities for adults;
- Creating upskilling pathways;
- Promoting local learning centres and innovative learning spaces;
- Improving the competences of educators and other adult learning staff;
- Creating and promoting learning opportunities among all citizens and generations;
- Enhancing quality assurance in adult learning opportunities.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation. Applications for small-scale partnerships in the fields of vocational education and training, school education and adult education are submitted to National Agencies (indirect management). Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope by country and field is indicated in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	60 000 000

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

a) Partnerships for Cooperation in the field of education and training – Cooperation partnerships submitted by European NGOs

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.08

The action 'partnerships for cooperation' as described in this Work Programme under WPIs 2.01, 2.02, 2.03, 2.04 is managed directly in case applications are submitted by European NGOs and Europe-wide networks.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: European NGOs and Europe-wide networks. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 5.13).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	5 000 000

b) Partnerships for Excellence: European Universities

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.09

European Universities' main objectives are to trigger unprecedented levels of institutionalised cooperation making it systemic, structural and sustainable and to increase quality, performance and international competitiveness of European higher education institutions. In line with the vision for a European Education Area by 2025, these alliances intend to achieve the following aims:

- Promote common EU values and a strengthened European identity by bringing together a new generation of Europeans, who are able to cooperate and work within different European and global cultures, in different languages, and across borders, sectors and academic disciplines.
- Reach a substantial leap in quality, performance, attractiveness and competitiveness of European higher education institutions and contribute to the European knowledge economy, employment, creativity, culture and welfare by making best use of innovative pedagogies and striving to make the knowledge square a reality. 'European Universities' will be key drivers to boost the quality of higher education and where possible to strengthen its link to the research and innovation landscape in Europe and its outreach towards the society and economy.

The 3-years Erasmus+ funding period will end in 2023 for the 24 European Universities selected under the 2020 call. In line with the Council Resolution on A strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030) and the Council Conclusions of 17 May 2021 on the European

Universities initiative - Bridging higher education, research, innovation and society: Paving the way for a new dimension in European higher education, the successful European Universities need a sustainable financial perspective to deliver on the ambition for continued transformation and to inspire the wider higher education sector. New alliances are also eligible to apply. The Erasmus+ funding period for the alliances selected under this call will be of 4 years.

Targeted participants:

The (potential beneficiaries and their affiliated entities if any) must be:

- Higher Education Institutions holding a valid Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) and entities affiliated to them, including:
 - Higher Education Institutions already involved in deep institutional transnational cooperation, such as those being part of European Universities selected under the 2020 Erasmus+ call;
 - Higher Education Institutions wishing to establish new deep institutional transnational cooperation in a new alliance.
- Any other organisation consisting of the above referred higher education institutions specifically set up with the purpose of implementing deep institutional transnational cooperation, including joint educational activities.

Targeted applicants must be established in an EU Member State or in a third country associated to the Programme or in a Western Balkans third country not associated to the programme.

In addition, the following entities may participate as <u>associated partners</u>:

- any higher education institution holding a valid Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) established in an EU Member State or a third country associated to the Programme;
- any public/private organisation from an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme active in the field of education and training, research and innovation or in the world of work;
- higher education institutions in third countries not associated to the Programme that are part of the European Higher Education Area (Bologna Process).

The project proposals evaluated above the quality thresholds, but that cannot be funded under Erasmus+ due to lack of available budget under this call for proposals, will be awarded with a Seal of Excellence certificate to attest the quality of the proposal and to facilitate the search for alternative funding at national level.

In the Council Resolution on a strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030)⁸⁶, EU Member States stress that European cooperation in education and training for the period up to 2030 should also be "viewed in a global perspective, considering that cooperation in education and training has gradually become an important instrument for the implementation of EU external policies, based on European values, trust and autonomy. This will help to make the EU an even more attractive destination and partner, both in the global race for talent as well as in

⁸⁶ OJ C 66/1 of 26.02.2021.

promoting strategic partnerships with international partners to provide inclusive, quality education for all, in all contexts and levels of education. As such, cooperation outside the EU is an essential dimension for the achievement of the Union's geopolitical priorities."

In this context, the European Union has developed a forward-looking Agenda with the Western Balkans on Innovation, Research, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport. The Agenda outlines a comprehensive, long-term strategy for cooperation with the region. Through increased investments in Research, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, the Western Balkans Agenda and its proposed actions aim to contribute to the region's economic and societal development and cooperation. These should include more financial assistance for the social sector, notably investments in education (Erasmus+ is referred to in this regard) to support social inclusion.

Pursuing the goals indicated above, the European Universities will support exchanges of practices and models, cross-border recognition, harmonisation of quality assurance and accreditation practices in wider geographical areas. By supporting academic cooperation - bringing together students, professors and staff who are able to cooperate and work within different European and global cultures, in different languages, and across borders, sectors and academic disciplines - and building strong bridges and integrated higher education systems with Western Balkan countries, these alliances intend to promote common European values and a strengthened European identity. This action will therefore help to strengthen Europe's positioning as a key partner in education at global level and help cementing the links between the European Education Area and the rest of the world.

The European Strategy for universities⁸⁷ reaffirms that these are essential to assist partner countries to transform their education systems and facilitate mobility of students, staff, teachers, and trainees, in a spirit of mutual benefit, and it indicates in particular Western Balkan as priority region to strengthen partnerships with, and to better engage and rely on alumni networks.

For the reasons above, under this action the participation of legal entities from Western Balkan third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	384 000 000

c) Partnerships for Excellence: Erasmus Mundus (EM) action

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.10

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters (EMJM) are high-level, integrated transnational study programmes at master level resulting in the award of either a joint or multiple master degree. They are delivered by an international partnership of higher education institutions (HEIs) from different countries worldwide and (where relevant) other educational and/or noneducational partners with specific expertise and interest in the concerned study

⁸⁷ Commission Communication COM(2022)16 of 19.01.2022

area(s)/professional domain(s). EMJMs include the award of scholarships to excellent students worldwide for their participation in one of these joint master programmes.

The EMJMs enhance the attractiveness and excellence of European higher education in the world and attract talent to Europe, through a combination of institutional academic cooperation to showcase European excellence in higher education, and individual mobility for students taking part in the action.

The EM action is composed by two independent lots: the EMJM and the Erasmus Mundus Design Measures (EMDM) activity. EMDM aims at encouraging the design and development of innovative, highly integrated master programmes in Europe and beyond. The ambition of this activity is to involve a) EU Member States or third countries associated to the programme, b) institutions and/or c) thematic areas, which are underrepresented in Erasmus Mundus, duly taking into account the opportunities offered by the European Approach for Quality Assurance of joint programmes.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: higher education institutions established in an EU Member State, in a third country associated to the Programme, or in a third country not associated to the Programme can submit an application.

This action aims to foster excellence and worldwide internationalisation of higher education institutions via study programmes – at Master course level – jointly delivered and jointly recognised by higher education institutions (HEIs) established in Europe, and open to institutions in other countries of the world. Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters enhance the international dimension of EU higher education systems through cooperation between institutions in Europe and abroad, and through mobility for the best students worldwide; they remove barriers to learning, improving access to high quality and innovation-driven education and making it easier for learners to move between countries; they respond to EU societal and labour market needs and contribute to the development of innovative education policies in the EU. In this regard, EMJMs are programmes of excellence that contribute to the integration and internationalisation of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA).

The action strives to function as a vector of public diplomacy towards third countries non associated to the programme. And it also substantiates the synergies between Erasmus+ support and IPA funding referred to in article 17 and recital 23 of the Erasmus+ Regulation.

The participation of legal entities from third countries not associated to the Programme, as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation, is in the Union's interest. The involvement of such entities aims at increasing the international opening of the European higher education systems in line with the Commission priorities for higher education and research, notably by supporting the establishment of large cooperation networks worldwide, hence contributing to improving the quality and innovation of Master level programmes. It also reinforces the attractiveness and reputation of these programmes worldwide and therefore facilitates the recruitment of the best students on a highly competitive market. The possibility given to third country institutions to coordinate projects is a strong signal that the EU is interested in developing on an equal footing cooperation mechanisms and a way to attract and motivate the best institutions worldwide to engage in such mid and long term cooperation arrangements with European institutions. It also aims at ensuring that the cooperation tools and approaches currently developed in Europe within the framework of the Bologna process (e.g. ECTS, diploma supplement, joint degree mechanisms, European quality assurance procedures) are widely disseminated and recognised beyond Europe.
Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	120 000 000

d) Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degrees - Additional scholarships for targeted regions of the world - Heading 6

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.11

Applicants under the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degrees action will have the possibility to apply for additional funding from Heading 6 funds, to receive additional scholarships for students coming from targeted regions of the world.

Only projects proposed for funding under Heading 2 Erasmus Mundus action will be considered for the award of the additional scholarships for targeted regions of the world. This will increase the number students benefiting from high-level educational opportunities in regions that have identified human development and employability as a priority and a wider coverage of nationalities as the additional scholarships are ring-fenced per region, thus contributing to the principle of 'leaving no-one behind'. The regions targeted are: Asia, Central Asia, Latin America, Middle East, Pacific, Southern Neighbourhood, Sub-Sahara Africa and Western Balkans.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	25 589 571

e) Partnerships for Excellence: Centres of Vocational Excellence

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.12

Implementing VET excellence approaches features prominently in the overall EU policy for skills and VET put forward in the European Skills Agenda, the Council Recommendation on VET⁸⁸ as well as in the Osnabrück Declaration⁸⁹. This strategy is firmly anchored in the European Green Deal, the new Digital Strategy, and the new Industrial and SME Strategies, as skills are key to their success.

The initiative on Centres of Vocational Excellence (CoVE) aims to be a driving force for reforms in the VET sector, ensuring high quality skills and competences that lead to quality employment and career-long opportunities, meeting the needs of an innovative, inclusive and sustainable economy.

CoVEs operate in a given local context, creating skills ecosystems for innovation, regional development, and social inclusion, while working with CoVEs in other countries through international collaborative networks. They establish a bottom-up approach to vocational excellence involving a wide range of local stakeholders enabling VET institutions to rapidly adapt skills provision to evolving economic and social needs.

⁸⁸ <u>https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A32020H1202%2801%29</u>

⁸⁹ <u>https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/files/osnabrueck_declaration_eu2020.pdf</u>

They provide opportunities for initial training of young people as well as the continuing upskilling and re-skilling of adults, through flexible and timely offer of training that meets the needs of a dynamic labour market, in the context of the green and digital transitions. They act as catalysts for local business development and innovation, by working closely with companies (in particular SMEs) on applied research projects, creating knowledge and innovation hubs, as well as supporting entrepreneurial initiatives of their learners.

The networks aim for "upward convergence" of VET excellence. They will be open for the involvement of countries with well-developed vocational excellence systems, as well as those in the process of developing similar approaches, aimed at exploring the full potential of VET institutions to play a proactive role in support of growth and innovation.

This initiative introduces a "European dimension" to Vocational Excellence by supporting the implementation of EU VET policy and actions agreed with Member States, social partners and VET providers.

This call will thus support projects bringing together local or regional partners from various countries developing a set of activities under three clusters; 1) Teaching and learning, 2) Cooperation and partnerships, and 3) Governance and Funding.

These partnerships should also seek to contribute to the New European Bauhaus initiative, with a view to embed innovative and sustainable approaches in education.

The type of applicants targeted by this action are: any public or private organisation active in the field of vocational education and training, or in the world of work. The coordinating organisation submitting the application must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme. Participating organisations can also be from third countries not associated to the Programme.

Internationalisation of vocational education and training (VET) is a strategic orientation included in Article 166(3) of the EU Treaty: "*The Union and the Member States shall foster cooperation with third countries and the competent international organisations in the sphere of vocational training*".

The 2020 Council Recommendation on VET and the Osnabrück Declaration, have set ambitious objectives and called on member states and the European Commission to strengthen the international dimension of VET.

VET internationalisation has been pursued through various strands of EU work including the mobility of learners and staff with Erasmus+ support, through cooperation with international organisations such as the OECD, ILO, UNESCO-UNEVOC, and Worldskills, through cooperation with associations of EU and International VET providers including the World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics (WFCP) and the International Vocational Education and Training Association (IVETA), through the work of the European Training Foundation in 29 partner countries, as well as through development aid provided by the European Commission and the Member States, making the EU by far the largest world donor of development aid in the field of VET.

The initiative on **CoVE**, supported by the Erasmus+ programme, has brought a new impetus to VET internationalisation by mobilising organisations throughout the world to establish international collaborative networks with the aim of creating local skills ecosystems for innovation, regional development, and social inclusion. These networks have a global outlook learning from best practices all over the world, and then adapting those experiences to local realities by adopting a bottom-up approach to vocational excellence involving a wide range of

local stakeholders enabling VET institutions to rapidly adapt skills provision to evolving economic and social needs.

For the reasons above, under this action the participation of legal entities from third countries not associated to the Programme - under the condition that applicants justify that their participation brings an essential added value to the project - is in the Union's interest.

The project proposals evaluated above the quality thresholds, with a total score **equal to or higher than 75%**, but that cannot be funded under Erasmus+ due to lack of available budget under this call for proposals, will be awarded with a **Seal of Excellence** certificate to attest the quality of the proposal and to facilitate the search for alternative funding at national level.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	52 000 000

f) Partnerships for Innovation: Alliances

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.14

The Alliances for Innovation aim to strengthen Europe's innovation capacity by boosting innovation through cooperation and flow of knowledge among higher education, vocational education and training (both initial and continuous), and the broader socio-economic environment, including research. These Alliances should also seek to contribute to the European Innovation Agenda and New European Bauhaus initiative, with a view to embed innovative and sustainable approaches in education.

• Topic 1: Alliances for Education and Enterprises

Alliances for Education and Enterprises aim to create innovative, transnational and sustainable cooperation settings that will foster new, innovative and multidisciplinary approaches to teaching and learning, strengthen the effectiveness of education and training systems, and boost innovation through cooperation. The Alliances will reinforce social responsibility, community engagement, sense of initiative and entrepreneurial mind-sets for learners and educational staff, as well as enhance the quality and relevance of skills developed and certified through education and training systems. They build on a balanced and pertinent representation of education and training providers, as well as labour market and entrepreneurial actors. The alliances can also set up incubators within education institutions across Europe, in close cooperation with the entrepreneurial sector. They can also be used to further deep-tech initiatives as set out in the Innovation Agenda.

The indicative budget for Topic 1 is EUR 30 000 000.

• Topic 2: Alliances for Sectoral Cooperation on Skills (implementing the 'Blueprint')

These alliances implement the 'Blueprint for Sectoral Cooperation on Skills', an action launched within the 2016 Skills Agenda and a major element of the Pact for Skills, the flagship action of the 2020 European Skills Agenda. They foster transnational cooperation on skills in specific industrial ecosystems. They gather sectoral skills intelligence, design sectoral skills strategies, review and develop occupational profiles and vocational programmes related to these occupations, and set up a long-term action plan for the local and regional roll-out of their results. Thus, they foster innovation and competitiveness in areas that experience severe skills gaps.

The indicative budget for Topic 2 is EUR 32 000 000.

Type of applicants targeted by this action (topic 1 and topic 2): public or private organisations (higher education institutions; VET providers; companies, or industry or sector representative organisations, such as chambers, trade unions or trade associations) active in the fields of education and training and innovation. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	62 000 000

g) Partnerships for Innovation: Forward-Looking Projects

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.15

Forward-Looking Projects are large-scale projects that aim to identify, develop, test and/or assess innovative (policy) approaches that have the potential of becoming mainstreamed, thus improving education and training systems.

Forward-Looking Projects will support forward-looking ideas based around key European priorities (defined here after), and that have the potential of becoming mainstreamed and giving input for improving education, training and youth systems, as well as to bring a substantial innovative effect in terms of methods and practices to all types of learning and active participation settings for Europe's social cohesion.

The goal is to support transnational cooperation projects that either:

a) foster innovation in terms of scope, ground-breaking methods and practices, and/or

b) ensure a transfer of innovation (across countries, policy sectors or target groups), thus ensuring at EU level a sustainable exploitation of innovative project results and/or transferability into different contexts and audiences.

The partnerships should be composed of a mix of public and private organisations combining researchers, practitioners and partners with the capacity to reach policy-makers.

• 1. Digital education

Proposals submitted under this topic must address one of the following priorities:

Priority 1: Education technology (edTech): scaling up of EU-based solutions through cooperation and quality assurance

Forward-looking projects in this priority area would involve EU-based EdTech organisations by fostering cooperation between the industry and public authorities, contributing to the development of a high-performing European digital education ecosystem.

Projects should in particular focus on:

- development of an evidence-based quality assurance framework for education technology, in cooperation with Ministries of Education, with reference to the learning outcomes achieved through the integration of education technology solutions in teaching, learning and assessment.
- promoting cross-sectorial cooperation between education technology providers, education and training institutions, and public authorities in addressing access to high-quality digital education content.

Priority 2: Effective pedagogical approaches on informatics for primary and secondary level of education

Supporting the development of effective pedagogical approaches on informatics and related assessment can help in better preparing teachers to build and share expertise on how to best integrate the subject across the different levels of school education - thus better promoting young people active and safe use of digital technology.

Forward-looking projects on informatics should focus on:

- development and testing effective and innovative pedagogical approaches that are appropriate and with a clear progression between the different levels of education and in particular with a focus on primary and secondary level.
- teacher-training initiatives aimed at increasing the availability of (generalist and specialised) teachers with adequate preparation and qualification to teach the discipline.

Priority 3: Teacher training and curriculum development in tackling disinformation and promoting digital literacy

Forward-looking projects on teacher training and curriculum development in promoting digital literacy and tackling disinformation would contribute to supporting education and training systems and in particular learners, teachers and educators to address new and emerging challenges in the classroom closely linked to the dynamic online environment in an effective and structured manner.

Forward-looking projects on tackling disinformation and promoting digital literacy should focus on:

- Initial teacher training and continuous professional development in the field of digital literacy and tackling disinformation both in terms of content and methodology, but also in terms of systemic uptake;
- Research and exchange of effective and scalable approaches in curriculum development in the field of digital literacy and tackling disinformation.

The indicative budget for this topic is EUR 15 000 000.

• 2. Vocational Education and Training

Proposals submitted under this topic must address one of the following priorities:

Priority 4 - Micro-credentials for employability

'Micro-credentials' are the record (e.g. an award or certificate) of the learning outcomes that a learner has acquired following a small volume of learning. There has been exponential growth and uptake of micro-credentials as workers and job-seekers seek to upskill and reskill in line

with the fast changing demands of the labour market, the impact of the digital and green transition and recovery from COVID-19.

To ensure the quality, trust and uptake of micro-credentials and enable their full potential as a currency for learning, and to further develop the potential of micro-credentials, the forward-looking projects should address one or a combination of the following areas:

- Micro-credentials for a more inclusive labour market
- Micro-credentials for the green transition
- Portability of micro-credentials.

Priority 5 - Improving the attractiveness of Vocational Education and Training through partnerships and networks of VET providers

VET as an attractive choice is part of the vision of the Council Recommendation on VET: 'In light of the green and digital transitions and demographic challenges, there is a need to significantly expand and improve the offer for vocational education and training both for young people and adults, while also increasing the attractiveness and quality of vocational education and training.'

The forward-looking projects must at least implement the set of activities mentioned below (additional activities may be added):

- Create new and/or enhance existing networks and partnerships of VET providers for the purpose of strengthening VET attractiveness in innovative ways;
- Organise national and/or transnational communication campaigns to showcase the benefits and career opportunities offered by VET;
- Organise events and/or networking initiatives to ensure a broad outreach to different target groups;
- Strengthen cooperation with economic and social actors, to raise the attractiveness of VET;
- Select testimonials, nominate ambassadors, and/or set-up awards for excellence to serve as inspiring and mobilising examples to raise the excellence and attractiveness in VET.

The indicative budget for this topic is EUR 10 000 000.

• 3. Adult learning

Proposals submitted under this topic must address one of the following priorities:

Priority 6: Development of national registries of quality-assured and labour market relevant training opportunities

Among the reasons that limit participation in adult learning, potential learners report uncertain information about opportunities. At present, the landscape of training, guidance and validation opportunities is difficult to navigate in many Member States, and it is often uncertain for observers whether a specific opportunity is of good quality and will subsequently be of value on the labour market. For adults, this reduces the incentives to search for and take up such opportunities. For potential funders of training such as public authorities or employers, it reduces the willingness to increase their investment in skills development. National registries of quality-assured and labour market relevant training opportunities have been used as an innovative tool to tackle these challenges in several Member States, often linked to financial support for individuals to take up the opportunities in these registries, sometimes also including information on guidance and validation opportunities. Quality information on the provision of guidance and validation opportunities would also help their potential beneficiaries to engage in their use and make the best choice. The forward-looking projects will identify methods and mechanisms to help ensure that such registries, once operational, reach a significant number of users because they:

- Improve the communication between the "world of education and training" and the "world of work" (e.g. involving skills intelligence, social partners, education and training providers and other relevant stakeholders in their governance);
- Strike a good balance between ensuring quality and providing a diverse offer of opportunities that is responsive to labour market needs;
- Combine simplicity from the user perspective with appropriate flexibility at the "back end"/concerning the included opportunities (e.g. possibility of "multiple routes" into the registry, regional differentiation of the included opportunities etc.);
- Catalyse additional investments for training (e.g. by becoming a trusted reference for public schemes providing financial support for training, or collective or company-level bargaining about training entitlements).

Priority 7: Supporting the Pact for Skills

The Pact for Skills is the first flagship action of the 2020 European Skills Agenda. The Pact is firmly anchored in the principles of the European Pillar of Social Rights and supports the goals of the Green Deal and the digital transformation, as set out in the Commission communication "A strong Social Europe for Just Transitions". It also contributes to reaching the EU target of 60% of adults participating in training every year by 2030, as set out in the European Pillar of Social Rights Action Plan.

Projects should include only partners of existing Pact for Skills partnerships.

Projects will implement **all the activities** listed below:

- Develop and support government structures or arrangement connecting members within the same Pact for Skills partnership;
- Develop and support cooperation of large companies with SMEs, and among SMEs that are members of the same Pact for Skills partnership, in the field of training;
- Support the definition, implementation, and monitoring of the concrete commitments that the Pact for Skills partnership has made and will make, such as:
 - gathering skills intelligence;
 - upskilling of low-skilled people;
 - reskilling people for new tasks in their jobs;
 - reskilling of people from other sectors with skills transferable into the sector in question, with a particular view to integrate refugees having fled Ukraine into the labour market.

The indicative budget for this topic is EUR 10 000 000.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: public or private organisations established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	35 000 000

h) Capacity building in Higher Education – Heading 6

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.16

This action supports international cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the higher education field in EU Member States or third countries associated to the programme and third countries not associated to the Programme. They aim to support the relevance, quality, modernisation and accessibility and of higher education in third countries not associated to the Programme as a driver of sustainable socioeconomic development. The action will contribute to the overarching priorities of the European Commission: Green deal (including climate change, environment and energy), digital transformation and data technologies, alliances for sustainable growth and jobs, migration partnerships, and governance, peace and security and to the external dimension of EU internal policies in the field of education. It should contribute to a successful green and sustainable global economic recovery in the third countries not associated to the Programme, linked to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement.

Specific objectives of the Capacity Building action:

- Improve the quality of higher education and enhance its relevance for the labour market and society;
- Improve the level of competences, skills and employability potential of students higher education institutions (HEIs) by developing new and innovative education programmes, including micro-credentials;
- Promote inclusive education, equality, equity, non-discrimination and the promotion of civic-competences in higher education;
- Enhance the teaching, assessment mechanisms for HEI staff and students, quality assurance, management, governance, inclusion, innovation, knowledge base, and entrepreneurial capacities, as well as the internationalisation of HEIs;
- Increase the capacities of HEIs, bodies in charge of higher education and competent authorities (notably ministries) to modernise their higher education systems, particularly in terms of governance and financing, by supporting the definition, implementation and monitoring of reform processes;
- Improve the training of teachers and continuous professional development in order to impact the longer term quality of the education system;
- Stimulate cooperation of institutions, capacity building and exchange of good practice;
- Foster regional academic cooperation through joint initiatives.

The action will ensure equity and inclusion, strengthening of the wider economic and social ecosystems, capacity building as well as employability transversally across the action. Addressing regional issues, building alliances and coalitions, piloting new approaches and initiatives built on country ownership will be strongly encouraged. Supporting the implementation of the Green deal, increasing the capacity of third countries not associated to the programme use of ICT and student participation in planning and learning processes will be cross-cutting elements of the action. Coherence, synergies and complementarity with other relevant European Union interventions in the field will be ensured. Priorities will be established in line with the EC priorities for each of the Erasmus+ programme Regions.

Three specific strands are available within the CBHE action:

Strand 1 – Fostering access to cooperation in Higher Education;

Strand 2 – Partnerships for transformation in Higher Education, and

Strand 3 – Structural reform projects in Higher Education. Under this strand in 2023 the action will also include a special focus on Ukraine and thus support the creation of an open education digital environment to offer quality higher education for students fleeing from Ukraine or internally displaced students - as well as educational opportunities for the wide Ukrainian community abroad - based on cooperation between Ukrainian and other European universities and academic staff. The aim will be to a) support the development of a high-performing digital education ecosystem of Ukrainian universities, thus guaranteeing their performance during and after the conflict; and b) support the digitalisation of teaching and learning methods and the provision of infrastructure required for remote and inclusive learning in line with the Digital Education Action Plan.

Type of applicants targeted by this action:

For Strands 1 and 2^{90} : HEIs, associations or organisations of HEIs, established in an EU Member state or third country associated to the Erasmus+ Programme, or in a third country not associated to the Erasmus + Programme.

In addition for Strand 3⁹¹: Legally recognised national or international rector, teacher or student organisations established in an EU Member state or third country associated to the Erasmus+ Programme or in a third country not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme.

As it comes to third countries non associated to the programme, the Union's interest in their involvement lies, in the first place, in promoting the building and fostering of capacities to set up and roll out a European project in organisations from those countries, thereby sharing the excellence of European Union higher education institutions.

The expected impact includes capacity increase of Higher Education Institutions, bodies in charge of higher education and competent authorities (notably ministries) to modernise the higher education systems in such countries, particularly in terms of governance and financing, by supporting the definition, implementation and monitoring of reform processes.

This action also promotes active European citizenship and values and the role of the EU in a globalised world, enhancing awareness of the Union and facilitating future engagement as well as people-to-people dialogue.

The action strives to function as a vector of public diplomacy towards third countries non associated to the programme. And it also substantiates the synergies between Erasmus+ support and IPA funding referred to in article 17 and recital 23 of the Erasmus+ Regulation.

Supported activities are expected to contribute to the overarching priorities of the European Commission: the Green Deal (including climate change, environment and energy), digital transformation and data technologies, alliances for sustainable growth and jobs, migration partnerships, and governance, peace and security and to the external dimension of EU internal policies in the field of education. It will support a successful green and sustainable global economic recovery in the third countries not associated to the Erasmus + programme, linked to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement.

This action is funded on the basis of Article 13 (6) of the Regulation EU No 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and

⁹⁰ Possible exceptions can be envisaged for participating organisations from third countries to whom the EU applies restrictive measures or sanctions.

⁹¹ As above.

International Cooperation Instrument⁹². One of the general objectives of the NDCI is to uphold and promote the Union's values, principles and fundamental interests worldwide, in order to pursue the objectives and principles of the Union's external action, as laid down in Article 3(5) and Articles 8 and 21 TEU. The action is also funded on the basis of the Regulation EU No 2021/1529 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Instrument for Pre-Accession assistance (IPA III)⁹³. The general objective of IPAIII is to support the beneficiaries in the Western Balkans in adopting and implementing the political, institutional, legal, administrative, social and economic reforms required by those beneficiaries to comply with Union values and to progressively align to Union rules, standards, policies and practices ('acquis') with a view to future Union membership, thereby contributing to mutual stability, security, peace and prosperity.

For the reasons above, under this action the participation of legal entities from third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	110 353 169

i) Capacity building in VET – Heading 6

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.17

This action in the field of Vocational Education and Training supports international cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the field of VET in EU Member State, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme. They aim to support the relevance, accessibility, and responsiveness of VET institutions and systems in third countries not associated to the Programme, as a driver of sustainable socio-economic development. This action is a key component of the EU's response to the challenges of quality, relevance and responsiveness of VET in third countries not associated to the Programme for employment, socio-economic recovery, growth and prosperity. The action aligns to the overarching priorities of the European Commission: Green deal (including climate change, environment and energy), digital transformation and data technologies, alliances for sustainable growth and jobs, migration partnerships, and governance, peace and security and to the external dimension of EU internal policies in the field of education. It contributes to a successful green and sustainable global economic recovery in the third countries not associated to the Programme, linked to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement.

Specifically:

• reinforce the links between the VET system and its labour market so as to better align VET to (emerging) local labour market opportunities;

⁹² OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p. 27.

⁹³ OJ L 330, 20.9.2021.

- increase the link between VET profiles and local/regional/national strategies and priorities impacted by skills, in particular those supported by other European Union actions, in order to ensure coherence;
- increase the capacities of VET providers especially in the fields of management, governance, inclusion, quality assurance, innovation; and internationalisation;
- support the exposure of staff, managers, policy makers and senior teachers to approaches bringing the labour market and VET closer (dual learning, curriculum development with private sector partners...);
- improve the knowledge, technical, managerial and pedagogical skills of VET teachers and trainers;
- integrate the input from teachers/trainers, VET learners and employers, from private sector in particular, into curriculum, profile design and training reform;
- improve the level of competences, skills and employability potential of VET learners by developing new and innovative VET education programmes, especially those delivering key competences, such as languages and ICT skills;
- foster cooperation across different regions of the world through joint initiatives.

The action will ensure equity and inclusion, strengthening of the wider economic and social ecosystems, capacity building as well as employability. Building alliances and coalitions, piloting new approaches and initiatives built on country ownership will be strongly encouraged. Coherence, synergies and complementarity with other relevant European Union interventions in the field will be ensured.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation active in the VET field or in the labour market and established in an EU Member State or a third country associated to the Programme or in an eligible third country not associated to the Programme. Any public or private organisation active in the VET field and legally established in an EU Member State or eligible third country associated to the Programme can be the coordinating organisation submitting the application.

As it comes to third countries non associated to the programme, the Union's interest in their involvement lies, in the first place, in promoting the building and fostering of capacities to set up and roll out a European project in organisations from those countries, thereby sharing the excellence of European Union VET providers.

The expected capacity increase of VET institutions in such countries will help to further their horizons especially in the fields of management, governance, inclusion, quality assurance, innovation and internationalisation. The action will also have as an effect to reinforce the links between the third countries not associated to the Programme VET system and its labour market so as to better align VET to (emerging) local labour market opportunities.

This action also promotes active European citizenship and values and the role of the EU in a globalised world, enhancing awareness of the Union and facilitating future engagement as well as people-to-people dialogue.

The action strives to function as a vector of public diplomacy towards third countries non associated to the programme. And it also substantiates the synergies between Erasmus+ support and IPA funding referred to in article 17 and recital 23 of the Erasmus+ Regulation.

Supported activities are expected to support the relevance, accessibility, and responsiveness of VET institutions and systems in third countries not associated to the Programme as a driver of sustainable socio-economic development, thereby contributing to the EU's external action and development policy objectives.

Expected outcomes also include creating and developing networks and exchanges of good practice between VET providers in third countries not associated to the Programme and in EU

Member State or third country associated to the Programme, and creating tools, programmes and other materials to build the capacity of institutions from third countries not associated to the Programme.

This action is funded on the basis of article 13 (6) of the Regulation EU No 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument⁹⁴. One of the general objectives of the NDCI is to uphold and promote the Union's values, principles and fundamental interests worldwide, in order to pursue the objectives and principles of the Union's external action, as laid down in Article 3(5) and Articles 8 and 21 TEU. The action is also funded on the basis of the Regulation EU No 2021/1529 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Instrument for Pre-Accession assistance (IPA III)⁹⁵. The general objective of IPAIII is to support the beneficiaries in the Western Balkans in adopting and implementing the political, institutional, legal, administrative, social and economic reforms required by those beneficiaries to comply with Union values and to progressively align to Union rules, standards, policies and practices ('acquis') with a view to future Union membership, thereby contributing to mutual stability, security, peace and prosperity.

For the reasons above, under this action the participation of legal entities from third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	27 116 244

3. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT – PROCUREMENTS

a) EPALE (Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe) Central Support Service Index references in budget table (WPI): 2.30

The EPALE Central Support Service (CSS) pursues the following objectives:

- supports the process of building a European adult learning community through enhancing and speeding up the process of closer cooperation, networking and exchanges;
- capitalizes on the results of projects, products and activities funded through the Erasmus+ and other European programmes, as well as strategies, tools and results produced at local, regional or national level;
- provides accessible, good quality information about policy and practice and learning products;
- secures a high level of platform performance for learning and for cooperation between adult learning stakeholders, facilitating communities of practice;
- develops a critical mass of users who play an active role in developing the platform into a lively online community;
- provides training and support to the National Support Services, for them to perform their

⁹⁴ OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p. 27.

⁹⁵ OJ L 330, 20.9.2021.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	4 000 000

b) Europass platform and related tools (co-delegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.31

Following Article 3 of the Europass Decision, Action 11 of the Skills Agenda, and the Digital Education Action Plan, Europass supports its users to take their next step in work or education and training, by offering modernised tools and information that allow its users to assess and describe their skills and qualifications and receive tailored information on skills trends and needs as well as on learning opportunities, qualifications frameworks and qualifications, career guidance, validation and recognition. To achieve this, Europass has already delivered and needs to continue delivering functionalities which can be reused in other platforms for a maximum impact of its technological investments (e.g. EURES, ESCO, Euraxess, EPSO, European Youth Portal and other EU portals).

In this context, further synergies will be developed between EURES and Europass to reinforce the impact of both services and avoid overlaps, thus offering integrated services for the mobility of workers and learners. The prospect is that better and more diverse opportunities are made available to the end users via interlinked services. At the same time, Europass will pursue its roll-out and upscale of European Digital Credentials for Learning and its improvement of the Europass tool that allows Member States to exchange data on learning opportunities, accreditation and on national qualifications included in their national qualifications registers (this tool implements both the Europass Decision and the European Qualifications Framework Recommendation).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EMPL	5 000 000

c) European School Education Platform Central Support Services (ESEP)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.32

This action aims to provide services to support school education and of central support services to eTwinning. This includes contribution to the maintenance and development of the European School Education Platform, which integrates the former eTwinning and the School Education Gateway and all its areas, overall coordination, outreach and promotion, monitoring and measuring performance, production of content, production of webinars, courses, teaching materials, professional development resources, Erasmus+ tools, the European Toolkit for Schools and the provision of Central Support Services (CSS) for eTwinning. The CSS also provides a wide range of tasks to support the implementation of ESEP, such as community management, content production, the coordination of the National Support Organisations (NSO), organisation of professional development activities, organisation of the Annual eTwinning Conference and eTwinning prizes.

The action also aims to provide digital services to operate the European School Education Platform and to maintain and improve the ESEP mobile app.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	4 700 000

d) European Student Card Initiative

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.33

The European Student Card initiative aims to simplify, facilitate and boost student mobility in Europe by substantially reducing the administrative burden in terms of time, expense and effort. To maximise the benefits and efficiency gains of the initiative, the use of the Erasmus Without Paper (EWP) Network - and the digital procedures it enables - shall become standard for all participating higher education institutions. The implementation in 2023 will ensure that the Erasmus Without Paper Network infrastructure and the EWP Dashboard are upgraded to the highest standards and that the user experience with the digital tools and the level of support available are improved. In addition, 2023 implementation will include further onboarding of higher education institutions onto the European Student Card project and work on the recognition of cards Europe-wide.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC/EACEA	8 000 000

e) School Education, VET, Adult Education tools (Erasmus Without Paper)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.34

The Erasmus Without Paper scheme in the School, VET and Adult education fields will complete the digitalisation of the Programme. It will digitalise the creation of agreements between beneficiary organisations and participants, the recording of assessment and provide single online access to participants.

This action will include the finalisation of the concept, technical offer, financial commitments and the initialisation of the first technical developments of IT-tools. Resources will be used for the planning and development of additional supporting measures, such as the creation of support services, outreach activities (e.g. promotional and technical events) and translations.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC/EACEA	3 000 000

f) European platform for cooperation between higher education institutions

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.36

The objective of the platform will be to enable deeper cooperation between European Higher Education Institutions, as announced by the European strategy for universities in synergy with EU initiatives such as the European Science Cloud. In this way EU HEIs would also be incentivized to continue to professionalise and improve their digital learning offerings as part of their adaptation to the digital transformation.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC/EACEA	3 000 000

4. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - OTHER ACTIONS

a) IT services for Erasmus+ platforms

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 2.40

The hosting, running and maintenance of some of the Erasmus+ platforms (EPALE, School education platform, eTwinning Central Support Services and National Policies Platform) require corporate IT services of DG DIGIT, and will be provided through a service level agreement. In addition, for the National Policies Platform, developments are needed to improve the visual presentation of the data. These specific developments will be provided through a Service Level Agreement with the Publication Office of the European Union.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	670 000

III. KEY ACTION 3

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Training and Cooperation Activities in the field of education and training Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.01

The Training and Cooperation Activities (TCA) aim to bring added value and increased quality in the overall Erasmus+ Programme implementation and so contribute to increasing the impact of the Programme at systemic level.

Training and Cooperation Activities consist of:

- Training, support and contact-seminars of potential Programme participants targeting programme objectives;
- Thematic activities linked to the objectives, priority target groups and themes of the Programme, including activities addressing the educational challenges brought by Russian military aggression against Ukraine;
- Transnational evaluation and analysis of programme results and other formats focusing on the dissemination of programme results or peer-learning activities.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The country distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	20 000 000

b) SALTO Resource Centres in the field of education and training

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.02

Thematic SALTO Resource Centres are structures that contribute to high-quality and inclusive implementation of the Programme. They should ensure a strategic and comprehensive approach in their respective areas including through developing expertise and experience as a basis for formulating programme outcomes, increasing quality and impact of the Agencies' strategies and outreach activities for cross-cutting priority fields, valorising programme experience and sharing lessons learnt inside and outside the network of National Agencies.

To ensure consistency in implementation across the networks, the SALTOs should provide guidance to and support to all National Agencies in their respective areas. Moreover, thematic SALTO Resource Centres should ensure interactions and linkages between Erasmus+ and policy at the European level. Concretely, SALTOs will ensure a balanced offer of activities and resources for analysis, training, events, tools, publications and other support services.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The Commission authorizes the recognition of the eligibility of costs incurred from 1 January 2023. This retroactivity aims to ensure programme implementation continuity.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	1 150 000

c) National Teams to support the implementation of EU VET tools

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.03

The purpose of the national teams of VET experts is to provide a pool of expertise to promote the application of EU VET tools and principles in EU funded projects supported by the Erasmus+ Programme. The concerned EU VET tools are laid down in the relevant EU VET policy documents such as the European Framework for Quality and Effective Apprenticeships and the Council Recommendation on VET (covering the EQAVET Framework, European Vocational Core Profiles, graduate tracking, etc.). The experts should in particular provide support to the beneficiaries of EU funded projects supported by the Erasmus+ Programme to implement the abovementioned EU VET tools in their projects. The National Agencies will be invited to include in their annual work programme an activity plan and an estimated budget for the support of these Teams.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

The Commission authorizes the recognition of the eligibility of costs incurred from 1 January 2023. This retroactivity aims to ensure programme implementation continuity.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	3 000 000

d) Cooperation with the Council of Europe

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.04

In 2023, the cooperation between the Council of Europe (CoE) and the European Commission will include activities in the following areas:

<u>Language learning</u>

The contribution agreement will cover the alignment between the PISA methodology and the Common European Framework of Reference for language competences, language awareness in schools and vocational education and training institutions and integrating the reality of multilingual classrooms. It may also include activities for the promotion of regional and minority languages. The expected outcomes will include access to a wider range of Open Educational Resources for multilingual classrooms, achieving good quality and comparability in language testing and assessment, as well as improving the quality and relevance of language acquisition, including both the language of schooling and additional languages.

The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 700 000.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to the Council of Europe via the conclusion of a Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 156(1) of the FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
СоЕ	700 000

e) Cooperation with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.05

The cooperation between the European Commission and the OECD aims at joining forces of the two organisations for developing, implementing and disseminating actions which provide best added value for countries in the field of education and training. In 2023, the cooperation between the two organisations will include activities covering the following main areas:

• International studies and assessment tools

Both the OECD and the European Commission carry out international studies, secondary analysis, country reviews and other assessment tools in the field of education and training. In most cases both sides can get best results through joint actions, thus avoiding overlapping or duplicated work. In 2023, the Commission contribution will support activities aimed, amongst others, at developing better knowledge on teaching and learning in the 21st century throughout the entire cycle of education, inclusiveness of education and training systems, analysis of students' test outcomes and innovation in education and training. The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 200 000.

In 2023, this cooperation will also include the analysis of pathways for VET learners into education and training at EQF-levels 5 and above. The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 200 000.

The Commission cooperates with the OECD on studies that support countries improving skills governance, with particular reference to VET and adult learning systems and programmes, including in particular the Skills Outlook series, published every two years. The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 200 000 and will cover work towards the Skills Outlook 2025.

<u>National reviews</u>

The OECD and the European Commission will carry out national reviews of education and training policy to support policy reforms in Member States. The reviews will be conducted on a voluntary basis upon requests from the Member States. Outcomes and recommendations of the national reviews will feed into the assessment by the Commission of Member States' challenges and policy efforts in the European Semester process, and of the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility, as well as progress at national level towards the objectives of the European Education Area. The EU contribution will be indicatively EUR 250 000.

• <u>Higher Education</u>

In order to support the European Commission initiatives presented in the European strategy for universities and towards the achievement of a European Education Area, the cooperation with OECD will provide analysis, gather evidence and organize actions to implement its priorities. The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 200 000.

• Language assessment in PISA 2025

The European Commission will continue work with OECD to prepare a voluntary assessment of foreign language skills in 2025, building on the results of the 2021 and 2022 actions. Since participation to the module is optional and it is estimated that the participation cost is going to be an important barrier for many countries, the action will mainly focus on covering the international costs of the test in order to promote a broad participation from the start of the new module. This amount covers the international cost for the implementation of the survey (contractors and overhead), which will provide CEFR⁹⁶-referenced results in speaking, listening and reading, as well as the contextual information about language learning opportunities from the student and school questionnaires and an optional teacher's questionnaire.

The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 2 410 000.

• <u>Digital transformation in education</u>

In order to support the evidence base on the digital transformation in education and training, a cooperation with OECD will provide analytical support and research-based evidence on key themes and enabling factors in digital education. The cooperation will be cross-sectoral and include OECD work conducted under the Group of National Experts in Higher Education (GNE-HE) and the Group of National Experts in School Resources (GNE-SR). The OECD will provide data and evidence from EU and beyond in order to establish a well-informed overview of best practice in the development of digital education and training. The maximum EU contribution will indicatively be EUR 250 000.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to the OECD via the conclusion of a Contribution Agreement under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 156(1) of the FR.

The Commission authorizes the recognition of the eligibility of costs incurred from 1 January 2023. This retroactivity aims to ensure programme implementation continuity.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
OECD	3 710 000

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY EXCEPTION TO CALLS FOR PROPOSALS – ARTICLE 195 FR

a) Presidency events (partially co-delegated to DG EMPL) Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.10, 3.11

⁹⁶ Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

Grants will be awarded to the governments of Sweden, Spain and Belgium (or bodies designated by them) to organise, during their respective Presidencies of the Council of the EU or in preparation thereof, conferences, seminars, meetings of Directors-General on priority policy topics and meetings of the High Level Group Coordination Board, together with associated activities for the exploitation of project and Programme results.

The main outcomes expected from Presidency events are policy guidance, conclusions and messages which will serve as inputs to promote European policy approaches, to inform Presidency policy proposals, to improve the cooperation between the EU and the Member States, or to prepare future policy initiatives in the field of education and training and youth.

The Presidency is considered as a *de jure* monopoly because it plays a unique role to foster policy cooperation, define priorities and follow-up the progress and results achieved in the fields of education, training and youth (Article 195 (c) FR).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	860 000
EMPL	200 000

b) Implementing renewed priorities for the European Agenda for Adult Learning -National Coordinators for the implementation of the Agenda

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.15

The objective of this activity is to support designated national coordinators of national administrations of Member States and other participating countries in implementing the 2020 Skills Agenda actions. These are focused on developing skills for the green and digital transitions, notably empowering up- and reskilling of adults, in order to ensure they have the skills they need for their current or future jobs, notwithstanding their current position on the labour market. This activity will also support the implementation of the Council Resolution on a new European agenda for adult learning 2021 - 2030 and the Council Recommendations on Upskilling Pathways, on Individual Learning Accounts and on Micro-credentials for lifelong learning and employability.

Grants will be awarded to bodies designated by national authorities on the basis of Article 195 (f) FR for actions with specific characteristics that require a particular type of body on account of its technical competence, its high degree of specialisation or its administrative power.

The distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	9 631 000

c) Eurydice - network of National units

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.16

Financial support is given for actions carried out by the national Eurydice network units. The network's goal is to contribute towards a better mutual understanding of education systems in Europe through the production of country specific information, comparable country descriptions, indicators and comparative studies in the field of education and training, in view of preparing comparative reports on education.

The participation of all national units in the work of the network facilitates access to national system level data (including more specific quantitative data collections on for example teacher salaries and student fees) that are necessary for the comparison between countries. The aim is to gather as (territorially) exhaustive information as possible and to produce high quality reports and analyses that support the Commission's policy actions and facilitate cooperation in education. To do so, the national units are beneficiaries of biennial grants which succeed one another without gaps to ensure the continuation in the activities of the units.

The Eurydice national units are network members and designated as such by the ministries of the EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme. They are identified in Article 7 (a) of the Regulation and are beneficiaries of the grant in conformity with Article 195 (d) FR.

The distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	4 818 000

d) Support to the European Quality Assurance in Vocational Education and Training National Reference Points (EQAVET – NRP)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.17

The objective of this action is to support Quality Assurance National Reference Points for VET (EQAVET NRPs) defined in the relevant Council Recommendation in order to:

- Take concrete initiatives to implement and further develop the EQAVET Framework;
- Inform and mobilise a wide range of stakeholders to contribute to implementing the EQAVET framework;
- Support self-evaluation as a complementary and effective means of quality assurance
- Provide an updated description of the national/regional quality assurance arrangements based on the EQAVET Framework;
- Engage in EU level peer reviews of quality assurance at VET system level.

EQAVET National Reference Points are beneficiaries of Erasmus+ financial contributions, as identified in Article 7 (b) of the Regulation. The grants will be awarded on the basis of Article 195 (d) FR subject to approval of an action plan and an estimated budget.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	7 500 000

3. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

a) Civil Society Cooperation: Education and Training

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.32

The action will provide funding (operating grants) to organisations through a new call for proposals offering opportunities to apply for annual operating grants.

Cooperation with civil society organisations in the fields of education and training is important for raising awareness about the European Education Area and other European sector-specific policy agendas.

It is vital for securing the active involvement of stakeholders in the implementation of policy reforms in the different countries, for promoting their participation in the Erasmus+ programme and other European programmes and for disseminating policy and programme results and good practice through their extensive membership networks.

Targeted applicants are European non-governmental organisations in education and training (ENGOs) and EU-wide networks in the fields of education and training established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 5.41).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	5 000 000

4. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENTS

a) Innovation in Education (e.g. HEInnovate)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.40

This item covers actions to stimulate and support innnovation in education; it will in particular allow for the hosting, maintenance, further development and improvement of HEInnovate (selfassessment tool for higher education institutions who are looking for advice, ideas and inspiration for the effective management of institutional and cultural change and for developing towards more entrepreneurial organisations), taking into account the feedback from the user community, supporting the promotion and use of the tool by higher education institutions; supporting the organisation of events, seminars or workshops in Brussels, in an EU Member State or in a third country associated to the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	300 000

b) Supporting implementation of the Digital Education Action Plan 2021-2027 Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.41

In 2023, Erasmus+ will continue to support the general implementation of the Digital Education Action Plan. The work will involve dedicated activities to mainstream, promote and disseminate digital education actions and best practices developed over 2022 (such as guidelines for educators

and teachers to address disinformation and promote digital literacy; as well as on artificial intelligence and data in education and training; results of upcoming policy initiatives such as the proposals for Council Recommendations on key enabling factors in digital education and on improving the provisions of digital skills in education and training).

The support will further include engaging experts in developing a Digital Education Content Framework. As part of the Digital Education Hub, the Commission will organise meetings and networking between national advisory services (NASs) on digital education, in order to support Member States and EFTA/EEA countries in exchanging hands-on experience and good practice on the enabling factors and drivers of digital education. Resulting from the European University Strategy adopted in 2022, the Commission will support the development of interoperability guidelines for higher education.

In addition, this action envisages support to communication and dissemination activities related to the organisation of workshops, seminars and local outreach events on digital education.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	3 600 000

c) Expertise on Education and Training (partially co-delegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.42, 3.43

This expertise will contribute to an effective and evidence-based implementation of the strategic framework for European cooperation in the fields of education and training: the European Education Area by ensuring consultancy services linked to the following operational activities:

- to support the general reporting, evaluation and dissemination of the results of the strategic framework, this also includes the Copenhagen Process on vocational education and training and the European Skills Agenda;
- to support the European-level implementation of the priority areas set out in the strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training towards the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030), as well as the priority areas defined in the successor scheme, covering all education and training categories (formal, non-formal and informal) and levels (pre-primary, primary, secondary and higher education, initial and continuing vocational education and training and adult education);
- to reinforce the European Commission's capacity to analyse national situations and trends in education and training, in both EU Member States, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme;
- to reinforce the European Commission's capacity to analyse EU-wide and international situations and trends in education and training;
- to support the implementation of actions under the European Education Area Council Resolution, the European strategy for universities, Digital Education Action Plan and the previous Opening up Education initiative by the European Commission;
- to reinforce the European Commission's capacity for statistical and indicator analysis in support of implementation of the European Education Area by 2025 and beyond;

• to support work on transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications and links to the labour market.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	2 250 000
EMPL	550 000

d) Exchanges of experience and good practice, and peer counselling (partially codelegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.44, 3.45

Exchanges of experience and good practice are an integral part of the European Education Area toolbox to implement the European priorities in education and training of the European Education Area and beyond (2021-2030). They take place in the context of peer learning and peer counselling activities, usually part of European Education Area Working Groups, which enable Member States sharing similar policy challenges to work in clusters. Peer counselling is a tailor-made, very concrete and country-specific exercise to help a Member State with a particular reform effort by bringing together experts from other Member States who have successfully dealt with similar issues. Peer reviews in the context of Directors-General meetings, focusing on country specific challenges and implementation of Council Recommendations (such as the Council Recommendation on vocational education and training for sustainable competitiveness, social fairness and resilience⁹⁷, or Council Recommendation on individual learning accounts⁹⁸), support Member States' efforts to improve their education and training systems. The dissemination of good practices and lessons learned, using international evidence when relevant, can be enhanced through thematic events, policy learning exchanges, support to Communities of Practice, and any arrangement for knowledge transfer and exchange on what works in education.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	250 000
EMPL	500 000

e) **Prospective platform**

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.46

The Commission is committed to building its foresight capacity. DG EAC conducted four studies as part of the 'prospective platform (2018-2020)' on the future of: assessment in education, non-formal and informal learning, transnational collaboration, and social innovation. DG EAC will build upon this work and will call upon relevant experts with

⁹⁷ Council Recommendation of 24 November 2020 on vocational education and training for sustainable competitiveness, social fairness and resilience 2020/C 417/01 (OJ C, C/417, 02.12.2020, p. 1)
⁹⁸ OL C 242, 27.6 2022, p. 26, 24

⁹⁸ OJ C 243, 27.6.2022, p. 26–34

specific foresight knowledge to carry out analysis connected to the dimensions of the European Education Area. Europe's education systems are impacted by several important external drivers such as the COVID-19 crisis, refugee flows, demographic trends, technological advancement and changes in Europe's social fabric. The purpose of this work will be to investigate and develop detailed, informed views on how such drivers are likely to change schools, pedagogy, methods, learning outcomes etc. in the medium term (2030). The context in which trends in education are unfolding, including the macroeconomic and geopolitical shifts will be taken into account. The Commission aims that the results stimulate a European level debate on the future of education to generate new forward-looking policy ideas and to present to Member States possible avenues for future policy development.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	200 000

f) Studies (partially co-delegated to DG EMPL)

Index references in budget table (WPI): 3.47, 3.48

A number of studies, surveys and Eurobarometers may be launched in order to support policy development, policy monitoring and the implementation of the Programme in the fields of education, training, skills and youth, in line with current policy priorities.

The aim will be to gather exhaustive knowledge and information to produce reports and analysis that support the European Commission's policy action and facilitate cooperation in education and training, and youth. The study themes will be coordinated with work programmes of other relevant EU bodies and networks, such as JRC, EUROSTAT, Eurydice, EAC academic networks EENEE and NESET, IEA, as well as international organisations such as OECD. In 2023, studies and surveys will be linked to the policy agenda and priorities, and contribute to an effective and evidence-based reinforcement of the European Commission's policy proposals. In addition, a public procurement procedure will be launched with a view to concluding a new multiple service framework contract with an indicative total budget of maximum EUR 8 000 000 for the 4 years of implementation.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	850 000
EMPL	100 000

g) Academic networks (EENEE, NESET)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.49

EENEE and NESET⁹⁹ are two academic networks providing substantial scientific support to the European Commission respectively on the economics of education and on the social aspects of education and training in relation to all types and levels of education.

Both academic networks contribute to the analysis of education and training policies, their reforms and implementation through country reports and cross-country analysis.

In 2023, EENEE and NESET will provide expert advice and process relevant evidence and information to support the Commission's work on achieving the EU policy objectives in education and training contributing to the development of the European Education Area and the implementation of the Digital Education Action Plan, the European Green deal, the Higher education initiatives and the European skills agenda.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	400 000

h) Country-specific expertise: network of national experts (partially co-delegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.50, 3.51

The role of the expert network is to provide independent expertise on the assessment of ongoing policy reforms and actions, progress and challenges of education and training systems (including VET and adult learning), on addressing country-specific recommendations and on countries' actions linked to the implementation of the European Education Area by 2025, as well as, on identifying future policy orientations and assessing the impact of the use of the EU funds, such as Recovery and Resilience Facility and the European Structural and Investment Funds. In the areas of education within the remit of DG EAC, the expert network activities continue based on the contract signed in 2021.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	1 200 000
EMPL	300 000

i) Transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications (co-delegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.53

The aim is to further strengthen transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications by providing support to the work of the European Qualifications Framework Advisory Group (EQF AG) and to the development and implementation of digital credentialing.

⁹⁹ EENEE: European Expert Network on Economics of Education; NESET: Network of Experts on the Social dimension of Education and Training

Skills expertise support: Support to the EQF AG (for EQF and validation of non-formal and informal learning)

Activities include the provision of technical support for the implementation of the Council Recommendation of 22 May 2017 on the European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning (EQF) and Council Recommendation of 20 December 2012 on the validation of non-formal and informal learning (VNIFL), with a focus on activities supporting the smooth functioning of the EQF Advisory Group, its project groups and on exchange of national experiences via the organisation of Peer Learning Activities. The activities contribute to fostering transparency, comparability and portability of qualifications.

Development and support to digital credentialing

Activities will support both the implementation of the 2017 European Qualifications Framework Council Recommendation and the Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 April 2018 on a common framework for the provision of better services for skills and qualifications (Europass).

Activities will ensure the smooth functioning, reinforcement and provision of support to the development of Qualifications Database Registers (QDR) and their interconnection at European level. Second, activities will support the further development of the European Digital Credentials for Learning (EDC) and their deployment and provide support to Member States and organisations to implement EDC.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EMPL	1 200 000

j) Policy-related and policy dialogue conferences

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.54

The amounts allocated will support the organisation of a wide range of events, conferences and other activities aimed to raise awareness of, debate, develop, disseminate and exploit the main topics dealt within the Erasmus+ Programme and/or in the European policy agendas in the fields of education and training.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	750 000

k) International Policy Dialogue

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.56

Dialogues on education and training are regularly organised in the framework of cooperation with third countries not associated to the Programme, to promote regional policy or cooperation with strategic partners. These dialogues can take different forms: senior officials meetings, peer learning activities, joint studies, joint testing of new tools like the Tuning methodology, etc. They can also be organised around thematic activities implemented through projects.

Promotion events to enhance the attractiveness of European higher education in the world, such as participation in international student and academic fairs will continue to be funded.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	1 000 000

l) University-Business Cooperation

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.57

This action envisages support to:

- the organisation of the European University-Business Forum and Thematic Forums and/or workshops, seminars and local outreach events on University Business Cooperation related issues and relevant projects funded under Erasmus+;
- hosting, maintenance, further development and running of an electronic platform complementing the Forums and events - for sharing good practices and provide virtual space for interactive discussion and exchange on aspects and issues related to University Business Cooperation;
- other activities related to the Guiding Framework for Entrepreneurial higher education institutions.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	270 000

m) International Student and Alumni Network Erasmus+

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.58, 3.59

Alumni are among the best ambassadors and promoters of the European Union, of European higher education and other education and training sectors and research, and of European Programmes in Europe and beyond. They also contribute to strengthen the relations between the European Union and its partner countries in the world. This action brings together European Union funded exchange students, staff and alumni from any education and training sector through support to the Erasmus+ Student and Alumni Alliance (ESAA) and regional students and alumni platforms. Erasmus+ students, staff and alumni can join ESAA or a regional alumni platform during or following their Erasmus+ experience. This allows them to be part of a dynamic forum for networking, professional development and intercultural learning; to participate in events and competitions; and to create projects promoting Erasmus+ and other EU-funded educational programmes both in Europe and around the world.

The action also seeks to mobilise the potential of alumni from any education and training sector to improve and expand participation in and inclusiveness of Erasmus+ notably by promoting the Programme among underrepresented groups by presenting role models and success stories and offering networking opportunities between alumni.

This action will be implemented via specific contracts signed under a new service framework contract resulting from the launch of a public procurement procedure with indicative total budget of maximum EUR 15 000 000 for the 4 years of implementation.

The action will provide technical and administrative support to alumni platforms under specific contracts for (a) the Erasmus+ Student and Alumni Alliance and (b) two or more regional alumni platforms.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA -	H2: 1 500 000
	H6: 1 000 000

n) Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders

Index references in budget table (WPI): 3.61, 3.62

The costs related to grant-holders and other meetings for supporting Programme implementation are included in the Work Programme. This action will support info days, kick-off events and other meetings with accredited organisations in order to promote the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	H2: 1 000 000
	Н6: 365 379

o) Education Summit

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.63

The European Education Summit is the annual high-level event enabling the Member States' Education Ministers to meet and exchange with representatives of European institutions and with key education stakeholders about current topics and trends in education in the EU in an open dialogue setting.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	600 000

p) Dissemination and communication activities

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.64

The amount allocated will support communication actions linked to the Erasmus+ Programme. For example, supported activities include events, meetings workshops with stakeholders, as well as communication materials, including an online version of reference documents and guidelines for applicants and beneficiaries, and communication support for Erasmus+ alumni.

This action will support also the European Innovative Teaching Award ceremony that has been established in the context of the European Education Area to recognise the work of teachers (and their schools) who make an exceptional contribution to the profession, on the basis of annual priorities. The awards would focus on school teachers in the EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme (ECEC to upper secondary schools) who successfully developed an Erasmus+ project aimed at innovative methods of teaching in the following 4 categories: early childhood education and care, primary education, secondary education, VET schools.

This action will also cover all communication activities linked to the Learning Lab on Investing in Quality Education and Training, including events, the social media campaign and dissemination and communication material (leaflets, reports, web material, etc.).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	1 600 000

q) Information, awareness-raising activities and events in the field of multilingualism diversity and inclusive education (partially co-delegated to DGT)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.65, 3.66

Dissemination events will be organised around the European Day of Languages (end of September), promoting a more comprehensive vision of language acquisition, encompassing the language spoken at home, the language of schooling and additional languages as key elements of an healthy cognitive and intercultural development.

Furthermore, the following activities will be co-delegated and implemented by Directorate-General Translations (DGT) of the European Commission:

"Juvenes Translatores" is a translation contest for 17-year-olds in schools across Member States. The contest is being organised to promote foreign language usage in Europe and the art of translation.

The "European Master's in Translation" (EMT) Network is a partnership project between the Commission and the relevant academic community in all EU countries. Higher education programmes that are benchmarked to agreed standards via an evaluation procedure receive an EMT quality label and become members of the European Master's in Translation Network, which promotes exchanges and cooperation in Europe;

European Day of Languages "Season" is a series of events (including workshops, round-table discussions, cross-border events and events matching students' skills with the demands of the labour market) that are organised on and around September 2023 in the Member States by DGT Field Offices located in the EU Representations. These events aim to promote the role of languages and translation in a multilingual Europe;

"Translating Europe" Forum brings together the main constituencies of EAC's and DGT's stakeholders such as the language industry and the translation services of public administrations and higher education institutions in order to explore multilingual skills for the labour market and the development of various language professions.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	400 000
EAC-DGT	700 000

r) European Education Area Portal

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.67

The European Education Area Portal - set-up in 2021, as requested by the European Education Area communication adopted by the Commission on 30 September 2020 - will be further improved.

The budget should be used for:

- further improvement of the European Education Area Portal i.e. "phase 2", following users' and stakeholders' surveys determining necessary developments;
- communication activities to promote the European Education Area Portal and drive visitors to this new web presence.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	2 500 000

s) National policies platform

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.72

The National Policies Platform (hosting Eurydice and the mobility scoreboard) requires development to enhance accessibility, browsing and customising of data. The aim is to make data on education systems in Europe fully open, reusable and comprehensible to all citizens. These developments are expected to boost circulation of information and data generated by the Eurydice Network, and favour their use in policy-making and research. The development, running and maintenance of the National Policies Platform will be provided through the use of an already existing framework contract of the European Commission.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 5.56).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	150 000

t) Bologna implementation report

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.73

The main objective of this project is to provide the required data input and analysis to the report on progress in the post Bologna implementation process, 2024 edition. The data collection and computed indicators will cover all the countries in the European Higher Education Area and will deal with the areas relevant to the follow-up of the post Bologna process. The work foreseen under this contract partly relates specifically to the countries beyond the EU Member States which are not covered (totally or partially) by European Official Statistics. An indicative list of data and indicators are: Context of the European Higher Education Area, Degrees and qualifications, Social dimension in higher education, Effective outcomes and employability, Lifelong Learning and Mobility. The 2024 report will focus on establishing an accurate picture of progress in recent years.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	100 000

u) Support for the implementation of the VET Recommendation related to EQAVET, graduate tracking and European Core Vocational Profiles (codelegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.74

The VET Recommendation is a strategic instrument helping to modernise the VET sector and defines several specific measures including the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework (EQAVET), European Vocational Core Profiles, skill intelligence, graduate tracking, and vocational excellence that needs to be further developed. The Recommendation explicitly asks the Commission to support Member States in improving the VET sector and carry forward the abovementioned measures.

The aim of this action is to provide technical and logistic support in the implementation of the VET Recommendation related to the abovementioned measures.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EMPL	2 500 000

v)International attractiveness of European higher education (Study in Europe)Index reference in budget table (WPI):3.75

If Europe is to remain highly attractive as a destination for internationally mobile students against the rising backdrop of new regional higher education hubs, it should continue its efforts to promote global awareness of the high quality and the rich cultural and linguistic diversity of European higher education.

This action will enable continuity in the Commission's collaboration with national promotion agencies and stakeholders in order to complement national information and promotion efforts on study and funding opportunities, and will promote the European dimension of higher education outside Europe via different activities (series of European higher education fairs, the Study in Europe website, social media and communication tools, networking activities, etc.).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)	
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EACEA	5 000 000

5. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

a) Selection and implementation

Index references in budget table (WPI): 3.80, 3.81

The costs related to the experts involved in the assessment of proposals and offers, supporting monitoring tasks and in providing policy advice are included in the Work Programme. This item will be implemented through recourse to experts based on existing lists established following Calls for Expression of Interest in compliance with Art. 237 FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	H2: 2 800 000
	H6: 2 657 307

6. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - OTHER ACTIONS

a) Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) Administrative agreements (partially co-delegated to DG EMPL)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 3.90, 3.91

The cooperation with the Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) will be continued throughout 2023, by means of Administrative Agreements concluded with DG EAC and DG EMPL.

Priority will be given to collaboration with JRC in all areas where they have a specific competence and expertise. JRC will provide technical support to EAC's and EMPL's monitoring and analytical capacity, supporting the engagement and innovation in the education and training sectors towards smart-specialisation, transformation, sustainability and transition to climate neutrality, also in line with the European Skills Agenda, the Digital Education Action Plan, the European strategy for universities and the European Education Area. JRC will also provide evidence-based policy support to DG EAC and EMPL on harnessing the potential of digital technologies to innovate and open education and training systems (including on non-formal and informal learning). This includes the development, improvement, validation and implementation of competence reference frameworks (Entrepreneurship and Digital Competence, the development and management of the Education for Climate Coalition, environmental issues, clean energy transition and sustainable development), self-assessment tools (notably the SELFIE tools to support for digital capacity of education and training stakeholders, including the new SELFIE for Teachers tool extended to ECEC staff, as well as SELFIE for work based leaning), mechanisms for recognition of competences and credentials across countries. Activities will also cover the continuation of the Higher Education and Smart Specialisation (HESS) to enhance HEIs' contribution to innovation and regional development. An administrative agreement for 2023/24 will support the consolidation of SELFIE and its transition towards an improved and more effective coordination, implementation and further development.

JRC will also help EAC in supporting relevant authorities in the Member States to make better-informed investment decisions, through tailor-made support, analytical work and education policy evaluation under the Learning Lab on Investing in Quality Education and Training.

Further, it will provide analytical support in the area of education and training policies and governance, including the delivery of studies, technical reports, technical briefs, specialised expertise, as well as the organisation of symposiums, workshops and/or other presentations. The JRC will continue to provide input for the Education and Training Monitor and the Joint Employment Report.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	4 000 000
EMPL	600 000

IV. JEAN MONNET ACTIONS

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

a) Jean Monnet Actions in the field of Higher Education: Modules, Chairs and Centres of Excellence

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 4.01, 4.02

The action covers Jean Monnet "Teaching and Research" Modules, Jean Monnet Chairs and Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence. They aim at promoting excellence in teaching and research in the field of European Union studies worldwide and also foster the dialogue between the academic world and the society, reaching out to a wider public, generating knowledge in support of EU policy-making, and strengthen the role of the EU within Europe and in a globalised world.

Applicants targeted by this call are higher education institutions established in any country of the world. Successful applicants from third countries not associated to the programme having an earmarked budget from Heading 6 will be supported by the specific budget allocation.

Under this action, the participation of higher education institutions from third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest, in order to strengthen the international dimension of the Programme and support teaching and research in the field of European Union studies worldwide.

The Union's interest lies, in the first place, in promoting excellence in teaching and research in the field of European Union studies worldwide. By EU studies it is meant the study of Europe in its entirety, with particular emphasis on the EU dimension, from an internal but also from a global perspective. The scope of EU studies can be varied so long as the EU angle is explored.

Since its creation, this action has focused on higher education institutions. Around 9,000 university teachers and more than 1,000 universities in around 100 countries have received financial support, enabling them to offer new content on European studies as part of their curricula. By connecting academics, researchers and policy-makers, the Jean Monnet Actions have stimulated international dialogue and supported policymakers at both national and international levels.

This action also enables EU studies to promote active European citizenship and values and to promote the role of the EU in a globalised world, enhancing awareness of the Union and facilitating future engagement as well as people-to-people dialogue.

The action strives to function as a vector of public diplomacy towards third countries non associated to the programme. And it also substantiates the synergies between Erasmus+ support and IPA funding referred to in article 17 and recital 23 of the Erasmus+ Regulation.

Supported activities are expected to produce positive and long-lasting effects on both students and researchers/professors and in particular to promote democracy and a sense of belonging to a common area; to result in increased interest in deepening the knowledge on the European Union specific policies, possibly leading to a more active participation in EU activities and the public service; to favour an increase in opportunities for young researchers to enhance their professional competences and boost their career.

As regards the participating organisations, the action is aimed at increasing the capacity of the Higher Education Institutions to teach European Union subjects, at attracting more and new learners and teachers interested in acquiring knowledge about the European Union, as well as

at creating structured centers providing European Union specific high-level knowledge and advanced research to faculties.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	H2: 9 000 000
	H6: 4 816 707

b) Jean Monnet actions for other fields of education and training

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 4.03

Teacher trainings

Jean Monnet actions in other fields of education and training will support higher education institutions, teacher training institutions and other institutions supporting and enhancing the development of teacher's knowledge and skills regarding the teaching about European Union.

Applicants targeted by this call are higher education institutions, teacher-training institutes and other institutions involved in teacher training established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The indicative budget for Teacher trainings is EUR 4 000 000.

Learning EU initiatives will address the current widespread lack of knowledge of the EU, its basic functioning and objectives in schools and VET institutions (ISCED 1-4) by promoting critical awareness of the EU. They will help young Europeans become active and informed citizens, engaged in the democratic processes that shape their future and that of the EU.

The Learning EU initiatives will enable teachers in schools and VET institutions to develop activities bringing facts and knowledge on the European Union to a broad spectrum of learners, also reaching out to their community (parents and families, local actors and authorities).

Applicants targeted by this call are schools or vocational education and training institutions established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The indicative budget for Learning EU initiatives is EUR 3 000 000.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	7 000 000

c) Jean Monnet policy debate

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 4.04, 4.05

Large **thematic networks in Higher Education** (one network per specific EU priority) will have as primary objective to collect, share and discuss among the partners research findings,
content of courses and experiences, products (studies, articles, etc.) and facilitate the exchange between academia, public and policy-makers on the EU level. Each network will establish a tool allowing the partners to share their academic works and run peer review exercises, also commenting on the posted documents. The coordinator of the network will regularly make a selection of the most innovative and interesting results to be provided to the Commission.

The final aim of the thematic networks is to provide regular feedback (e.g. an online newsletter) on the most advanced and innovative practices in the field, supporting and adding value to the public policy debates in the given fields of expertise.

Indicatively, in 2023 three thematic networks are foreseen:

- Jean Monnet Network on internal policy: Digital Transformation in Europe;
- Jean Monnet Network on external policy: Values and Democracy;
- Jean Monnet Network on external policy: EU-Africa.

Targeted applicants:

- for the thematic network on internal policy (Digital Transformation in Europe): higher education institutions established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme;
- for the thematic network on external policy (Values and Democracy): higher education institutions established in an EU Member State or a third country associated to the Programme, or in a third country not associated to the Programme;
- for the thematic network on external policy EU-Africa: applicants must be higher education institutions established in an EU Member State or a third country associated to the Programme, or in a third country not associated to the Programme targeted by this action.

Under this action, the participation of higher education institutions from third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest, in order to strengthen the international dimension of the Programme and support international academic cooperation worldwide.

The Union's interest lies, in the first place, in promoting excellence in teaching and research in the field of European Union studies worldwide. Since their creation, these actions have focused on higher education institutions. Around 9,000 university teachers and more than 1,000 universities in around 100 countries have received financial support, enabling them to offer new content on European studies as part of their curricula. By connecting academics, researchers and policy-makers, the Jean Monnet Actions have stimulated international dialogue and supported policymakers at both national and international levels.

Through this action, the Union also enables EU studies to promote active European citizenship and values and deal with the role of the EU in a globalised world, enhancing awareness of the Union and facilitating future engagement as well as people-to-people dialogue.

The action strives to function as a vector of public diplomacy towards third countries non associated to the programme. And it also substantiates the synergies between Erasmus+ support and IPA funding referred to in article 17 and recital 23 of the Erasmus+ Regulation.

Supported networks have as their primary objective to collect, share and discuss among the partners research findings, content of courses and experiences, products (studies, articles, etc.). Each network will establish a tool allowing the partners to share their academic works and run peer review exercises, thereby acting as a multiplier of EU values and EU-related know-how across non-associated countries. The network coordinator will regularly make a selection of the most innovative and interesting results to be provided to the Commission, allowing for a two-way learning and awareness-raising process.

The indicative budget for the thematic network on internal policy is EUR 1 000 000, for the thematic network on external policy (Values and Democracy) is EUR 1 200 000 and for the thematic network on external policy (EU-Africa) is EUR 1 200 000.

Jean Monnet Networks in other fields of education and training will foster the creation and development of networks of schools and VET institutions that aim to exchange good practices, share experiences on both content and methodologies and build knowledge in teaching European issues. Networks should in particular focus on bringing facts and knowledge about the EU to their learners in an innovative and creative way.

Applicants targeted by this call are schools and vocational training institutes and higher education institutions active in the field of teacher education and training established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The indicative budget for networks in other fields of education and training is EUR 2 000 000.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	H2: 3 000 000
	H6: 2 400 000

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY EXCEPTION TO CALLS FOR PROPOSALS – ARTICLE 195 FR

a) Operating grants to support specific institutions

Index references in budget table (WPI):

4.20 to 4.26

In conformity with Article 195 (d) FR which is applicable to grants to bodies identified in the Regulation and according to Article 8 (c) of the Erasmus+ Regulation, support will be given to the following institutions pursuing an aim of European interest:

- College of Europe, Bruges;
- European University Institute (EUI), Florence: out of the overall amount of this grant, EUR 8 320 000 will be allocated to the Florence School of European and Transnational Governance;
- the Academy of European Law, Trier;
- the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), Maastricht;
- the European Agency for Special Needs and Inclusive Education, Odense;
- the International Centre for European Training (CIFE), Nice;

• College of Europe, Natolin.

Eligible applications for the annual operating grants will be assessed on the basis of a detailed annual work programme, against aspects such as the relevance of the work programme, as well as its quality and implementation, but also the clarity of the budget and links to the activities proposed and the impact and dissemination.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	WPI 4.20: 5 614 856
	WPI 4.21: 20 144 695
	WPI 4.22: 2 724 114
	WPI 4.23: 1 038 751
	WPI 4.24: 1 133 537
	WPI 4.25: 2 522 830
	WPI 4.26: 4 538 591

B. YOUTH

I. KEY ACTION 1

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Mobility projects

Index references in budget table (WPI): 5.01

Projects under this action promote mobility activities targeting young people, youth workers and people working in organisations active in youth field and mainly aiming to support young people in the acquisition of competences (knowledge, skills and attitudes, including language competences) with a view to improving their personal, social, educational and professional development, enhance employability, entrepreneurship and improve career prospects on the labour market, and social inclusion.

Organisations active in the field of youth will receive support from the Erasmus+ Programme to carry out projects promoting different types of mobility. Mobility activities involve a minimum of two participating organisations from different countries.

Depending on the profile of participants involved, the following types of mobility projects are supported under this action:

Youth mobility projects - Youth exchanges

The following activities are supported: youth exchanges; preparatory visits.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: non-profit organisations, associations, NGOs; European Youth NGOs; public bodies at local, regional, national level; social enterprises; profit-making bodies active in Corporate Social Responsibility; informal groups of young people. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

Youth mobility projects - Mobility of youth workers

The following activities are supported: professional development activities; system development and outreach activities; preparatory visits.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: non-profit organisations, associations, NGOs; European Youth NGOs; public bodies at local, regional, national level; social enterprises; profit-making bodies active in Corporate Social Responsibility; informal groups of young people. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope of mobility projects, by country and field is indicated in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	157 200 000

b) Youth participation activities

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.02

Projects under this action are non-formal activities that promote youth participation in Europe's democratic life and aim to:

- provide young people with opportunities to engage and learn to participate in civic society;
- raise young people's awareness about European common values and fundamental rights and contribute to the European integration process;
- develop young people's digital competences, media literacy and critical thinking in non-formal learning settings;
- bring together young people and decision makers at local, regional, national and transnational level and/or contribute to the EU Youth Dialogue.

Support is provided to a wide range of activities aimed at reaching the objectives of the action, including for mobilities and physical events.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: non-profit organisations, associations, NGOs; European Youth NGOs; public bodies at local, regional, national level; social enterprises; profit-making bodies active in Corporate Social Responsibility; informal groups of young people. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope by country and field is indicated in Part III of this work programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	30 000 000

c) DiscoverEU Inclusion Action

Index reference in budget table (WPI):

Projects under the Inclusion Action are non-formal activities aiming to allow young people with fewer opportunities to participate in DiscoverEU. Support is provided to a wide range of activities aimed at reaching the objectives of the action, with a view to:

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- Reaching out to young people with fewer opportunities that would not apply on their own initiative to DiscoverEU;
- Overcoming the obstacles that prevent young people with fewer opportunities to participate in DiscoverEU;
- Providing the necessary support so that these young people are able to travel;
- Triggering and enhancing the development of competences and skills.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: non-profit organisations, associations, NGOs; European Youth NGOs; public bodies at local, regional, national level; social enterprises; profit-making bodies active in Corporate Social Responsibility; informal groups of young people. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or a third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f),154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope by country and field is indicated in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	7 000 000

d) Accreditation in the field of youth

Index references in budget table (WPI): 5.04

The accreditations in the field of youth define a quality framework for mobility activities and certify that the successful applicants are able to implement the applicable standards. The accreditations will be subject to regular monitoring and the holder's continued compliance with their requirements.

Accredited organisations will gain access to a simplified application procedure for Key Action 1 funding opportunities.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any organisation eligible to apply under the mobility projects in the field of youth (see section a) above).

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)

NA	N/A
NA	IN/A

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENTS

a) DiscoverEU General

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.06

DiscoverEU offers young people, who are 18 years old as a general rule, a chance to have a short-term individual or group experience travelling across Europe by rail or other modes of transport where necessary. The objectives are to give young people the chance to learn about Europe, to discover Europe's opportunities for their future education and life choices, to equip young people with knowledge, life skills and competences of value to them, to encourage connection and intercultural dialogue between the young people; to foster the young people's sense of belonging to the EU; as well as to inspire young people to embrace sustainable travel in particular and environmental conscience in general.

This action will be used to provide travel passes to selected DiscoverEU participants via an external provider.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	33 000 000

b) Language learning opportunities

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.07

The scheme for systematic language support offers a broad range of courses in the language of mobility and work for all participants in the Erasmus+ Programme in order to support multilingualism and ensure high quality of experience when abroad.

Main features of the new Online Language Support will include a full range of online learning activities; language learning courses; assisted/blended learning tools to enable teachers and youth workers to provide extra support to their learners; social networking feature to allow participants to safely engage with each other in order to improve their language skills. The tool aims to give users the possibility to choose two languages they want to study, as well as their main points of interest (learn more vocabulary, practice grammar, oral practice, etc.). To a certain extent, basic language on-line activities may also be made available for the benefit of the general public.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 1.20).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	650 000

II. KEY ACTION 2

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Partnerships for Cooperation: Cooperation Partnerships in the field of youth Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.10

Cooperation Partnerships allow organisations to increase the quality and relevance of their activities, to develop and reinforce their networks of partners, to increase their capacity to operate jointly at transnational level, boosting internationalisation of their activities and through exchanging or developing new practices and methods as well as sharing and confronting ideas. They aim to support the development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices as well as the implementation of joint initiatives promoting cooperation, peer learning and exchanges of experience at European level. Results should be re-usable, transferable, up-scalable and, if possible, have a strong transdisciplinary dimension. Selected projects are expected to share the results of their activities at local, regional, national level and transnational level.

Cooperation Partnerships are anchored to the priorities and policy frameworks of each Erasmus+ sector while aiming at producing incentives for cross-sectoral and horizontal cooperation in thematic areas.

Erasmus+ stands with Ukraine: a particular focus will be given in 2023 to projects aiming at addressing the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the field of youth.

To be funded, Cooperation Partnerships must address at least one of the following priorities:

Priorities applying to all Erasmus+ sectors:

- Inclusion and diversity;
- Environment and fight against climate change;
- Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity;
- Common values, civic engagement and participation.

Priorities in the field of youth:

- Promoting active citizenship, young people's sense of initiative and youth entrepreneurship, including social entrepreneurship;
- Increasing quality, innovation and recognition of youth work;
- Strengthening the employability of young people;
- Reinforcing links between policy, research and practice.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation. Applications for cooperation partnerships in the field of youth are submitted to National Agencies (indirect management), with the exception of applications submitted by European NGOs and Europewide networks. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope by country and field is indicated in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	90 000 000

b) Partnerships for Cooperation: Small-scale partnerships in the field of youth

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.11

Small-scale Partnerships aim at widening access to the Programme to small-scale actors and individuals who are hard to reach. With low grant amounts awarded to organisations, short duration and simple administrative requirements, this action aims to reach out to grassroots organisations and newcomers to Erasmus+, enhancing the access to the Programme for organisations with smaller organisational capacity.

Small-scale Partnerships support flexible formats, combining activities with transnational and national character, although with a European dimension, that increase organisations means to reach out to people with fewer opportunities.

Erasmus+ stands with Ukraine: a particular focus will be given in 2023 to projects aiming at addressing the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the field of youth.

To be funded, small-scale Partnerships must address at least one of the following priorities:

Priorities applying to all Erasmus+ sectors:

- Inclusion and diversity;
- Environment and fight against climate change;
- Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity
- Common values, civic engagement and participation.

Priorities in the field of youth:

- Promoting active citizenship, young people's sense of initiative and youth entrepreneurship, including social entrepreneurship;
- Increasing quality, innovation and recognition of youth work;
- Strengthening the employability of young people;
- Reinforcing links between policy, research and practice.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation. Applications for small-scale partnerships in the field of youth are submitted to National Agencies (indirect management). Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope by country and field is indicated in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	20 000 000

- 2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS
- a) Partnerships for Cooperation in the field of youth Cooperation partnerships submitted by European NGOs

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.13

The action 'Partnerships for cooperation in the field of youth' as described in this Work Programme under WPI 5.10 is managed directly in case applications are submitted by European NGOs and Europe-wide networks established in an EU Member State or in a third country associated to the Programme.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: European NGOs and Europe-wide networks. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 2.08).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	2 000 000

b) Capacity building in the field of Youth - Heading 6

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.14

This action supports international cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the field of youth in EU Member States, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme. The aim is to support the international exchanges, cooperation and policy dialogue in the field of youth and non-formal learning, as a driver of sustainable socio-economic development and wellbeing of young people through:

- raising the capacity of organisations working with young people outside formal learning;
- promoting non-formal learning activities in non-associated third countries, especially targeting young people with fewer opportunities, while ensuring the active participation of young people in society;
- supporting the development of youth work in non-associated third countries, improving its quality and recognition;
- fostering the development, testing and launching of schemes and Programmes of nonformal learning mobility in non-associated third countries;
- contributing to the implementation of the EU Youth Strategy (2019-2027) including the 11 European Youth goals;
- fostering cooperation across different regions of the world through joint initiatives.
- enhancing synergies and complementarities with formal education systems and/or the labour market.

Type of participating organisations targeted by this action: any public or private organisation active in the field of youth. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State, third country associated to the Programme or third country not associated to the Programme targeted by this action.

As it comes to third countries non associated to the programme, the Union's interest in their involvement lies, in the first place, in promoting the building and fostering of capacities to set up and roll out a European project in organisations from those countries, thereby sharing the excellence of European Union youth organisations and youth workers.

The expected capacity increase of youth organisations in such countries will help to further their horizons especially in the fields of management, governance, inclusion, quality assurance, innovation and internationalisation.

This action also promotes active European citizenship and values and the role of the EU in a globalised world, enhancing awareness of the Union and facilitating future engagement as well as people-to-people dialogue.

The action strives to function as a vector of public diplomacy towards third countries non associated to the programme. And it also substantiates the synergies between Erasmus+ support and IPA funding referred to in article 17 and recital 23 of the Erasmus+ Regulation.

Supported activities are expected to support the raising the capacity of organisations working with young people outside formal learning, to promote non-formal learning activities in third countries not associated to the Programme, especially targeting young people with fewer opportunities, with a view to improving the level of competences while ensuring the active participation of young people in society, to support the development of youth work in such countries, improving its quality and recognition, and to foster the development, testing and launching of schemes and programmes of non-formal learning mobility in these countries.

Expected outcomes also include promoting strategic cooperation between youth organisations on the one hand and public authorities, promoting the cooperation between youth organisations and organisations active in the education and training fields as well as with organisations from the labour market, raising the capacities of youth councils, youth platforms and local, regional and national authorities dealing with youth, and enhancing the management, governance, innovation capacity, leadership and internationalisation of youth organisations in those countries. In addition to special attention being paid to improve equitable and gender balanced access to youth activities, the action will take an inclusive approach in all regions with the aim to increase the participation of the poorest and least developed third countries not associated to the programme.

This action is funded on the basis of article 13 (6) of the Regulation EU No 2021/947 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument¹⁰⁰. One of the general objectives of the NDCI is to uphold and promote the Union's values, principles and fundamental interests worldwide, in order to pursue the objectives and principles of the Union's external action, as laid down in Article 3(5) and Articles 8 and 21 TEU. The action is also funded on the basis of the Regulation EU No 2021/1529 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Instrument for Pre-Accession assistance (IPA III)¹⁰¹. The general objective of IPAIII is to support the beneficiaries in the Western Balkans in adopting and implementing the political, institutional, legal, administrative, social and economic reforms required by those beneficiaries to comply with Union values and to progressively align to Union rules, standards, policies and practices ('acquis') with a view to future Union membership, thereby contributing to mutual stability, security, peace and prosperity.

For the reasons above, under this action the participation of legal entities from third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	6 923 231

3. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENTS

a) European Youth Portal (EYP)

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.17

The European Youth Portal (EYP) offers youth-friendly information on opportunities across Europe and beyond (e.g. notably around volunteering, traineeships, working, studying, youth & school exchanges and youth work), information related to topics such as intercultural understanding, sustainable development, civic engagement and inter-active features encouraging the participation of young people in democratic life in Europe to support the EU Youth Dialogue and other initiatives to engage with young people to influence policy making. It also gives direct access to key youth actions including DiscoverEU and the European Solidarity Corps.

Increasingly, the European Youth portal will also support features for the co-creation of content with young people and youth stakeholders. Increased communication activities shall support the branding of the European Youth Portal among young people and youth

¹⁰⁰ OJ L 209, 14.6.2021, p. 27.

¹⁰¹ OJ L 330, 20.9.2021.

organisations. Finally, a youth work platform providing space for sharing information, knowledge and good practices for the youth work community is planned to be integrated in the EYP.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	1 450 000

III. KEY ACTION 3

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Training and Cooperation Activities in the field of youth

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.20

The Training and Cooperation Activities (TCA) aim to bring added value and increased quality in the overall Erasmus+ Programme implementation and so contribute to increasing the impact of the Programme at systemic level.

Training and Cooperation Activities consist of:

- Training, support and contact-seminars of potential Programme participants targeting programme objectives;
- Thematic activities linked to the objectives, priority target groups and themes of the Programme, including activities addressing the youth challenges brought by Russian military aggression against Ukraine;
- Transnational evaluation and analysis of programme results and other formats focusing on the dissemination of programme results or peer-learning activities.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The country distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	20 000 000

b) SALTO Resource Centres in the field of youth

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.21

Thematic SALTO Resource Centres are structures that contribute to high-quality and inclusive implementation of the Programme. They should ensure a strategic and comprehensive approach in their respective areas including through developing expertise and experience as a basis for formulating programme outcomes, increasing quality and impact of the Agencies' strategies and outreach activities for cross-cutting priority fields, valorising programme experience and sharing lessons learnt inside and outside the network of National Agencies.

To ensure consistency in implementation across the networks, the SALTOs should provide guidance to and support to all National Agencies in their respective areas. Moreover, thematic SALTO Resource Centres should ensure interactions and linkages between Erasmus+ and policy at the European level. Concretely, SALTOs will ensure a balanced offer of activities and resources for analysis, training, events, tools, publications and other support services.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The Commission authorizes the recognition of the eligibility of costs incurred from 1 January 2023. This retroactivity aims to ensure programme implementation continuity.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	2 200 000

c) DiscoverEU - Learning Cycle for DiscoverEU participants

Index reference in budget table (WPI):

The DiscoverEU Learning Cycle consists of quality and support activities that aim to ensure the best possible learning experience for the participants prior, during or after their mobility experience. Learning Cycle activities include:

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- Online and/or physical pre-departure information meetings and/or info-kits to inform the young participants about the goals of DiscoverEU, the learning activities and information tools in place during their mobility and future opportunities after their DiscoverEU experience;
- Meet-ups of DiscoverEU participants to foster intercultural exchanges, joint activities, share of experiences and interaction with local realities;
- Coordination meetings to gather multipliers (e.g. youth workers, schools, youth organisations, municipalities etc.) that wish to be involved in DiscoverEU, to inform them about the planned mobility schedules and steer them in defining informal and non-formal learning activities for DiscoverEU participants coming from abroad.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	5 000 000

d) Eurodesk network

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.23

The Eurodesk Network offers information services to young people and those who work with them on European opportunities, notably in the education, training and youth fields, as well as the involvement of young people in European activities. It contributes to the animation of the European Youth Portal. The Eurodesk Network offers enquiry answering services, funding information, events and publications.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157 (1) of the FR.

The distribution of the budget is provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

The Commission authorizes the recognition of the eligibility of costs incurred from 1 January 2023. This retroactivity aims to ensure programme implementation continuity.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	2 500 000

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY EXCEPTION TO CALLS FOR PROPOSALS – ARTICLE 195 FR

a) Presidency events

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.30

Grants will be awarded to the governments of Sweden, Spain and Belgium (or bodies designated by them) to organise, during their respective Presidencies of the Council of the EU or in preparation thereof, conferences, seminars, meetings of Directors-General on priority policy topics, together with associated activities for the exploitation of project and Programme results.

The main outcomes expected from Presidency events are policy guidance, conclusions and messages which will serve as inputs to promote European policy approaches, to inform Presidency policy proposals, to improve the cooperation between the EU and the Member States, or to prepare future policy initiatives in the field of education and training and youth.

The Presidency is considered as a *de jure* monopoly because it plays a unique role to foster policy cooperation, define priorities and follow-up the progress and results achieved in the fields of education, training and youth (Article 195 (c) FR).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	500 000

b) European Youth Forum

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.33

Support will be provided to the European Youth Forum, an organisation pursuing a goal of general European interest, with due respect for the following principles:

- The Forum's independence in the selection of its members, ensuring the broadest possible representation of different kinds of youth organisations;
- Its autonomy in the detailed specification of its activities;
- The broadest possible involvement in the European Youth Forum's activities of nonmember youth organisations and young people who do not belong to organisations;
- The active contribution by the European Youth Forum to the political processes relevant to youth at European level, in particular by responding to the European institutions when they consult civil society and explaining the positions adopted by these institutions to its members.

The European Youth Forum is identified in Article 11 (c) of the Regulation. The grant will be awarded on the basis of Article 195 (d) FR subject to approval of an appropriate work plan and estimated budget, contributing to its eligible operating costs.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	2 800 000

c) Eurodesk Brussels-link

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.34

Eurodesk Brussels-link ensures the coordination of the Eurodesk Network composed of national units established in the various EU Member States, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the programme. Eurodesk Brussels-link is the European Secretariat and coordination body of the Eurodesk network. It is composed of a Director and the staff members implementing the work plan and decisions of the Eurodesk Executive Committee and the General Assembly. The Brussels-link ensures that the activities of the Eurodesk centres within the network are aligned with the organisation's overall objectives and mission, and it provides first-hand and high-quality European information on youth mobility.

Support to Eurodesk is identified in Article 11 (d) of the Regulation. The grant will be awarded on the basis of Article 195 (d) FR subject to approval of an activity plan and an estimated budget.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	720 000

3. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

a) European Youth Together

Index references in budget table (WPI): 5.40

European Youth Together projects aim to create networks promoting regional partnerships, enabling young people across Europe to set up joint projects, organise exchanges and promote trainings (e.g. for youth leaders) through both physical and online activities. The action will be supporting transnational partnerships for youth organisations either at grassroots level or in large-scale partnerships, aiming to reinforce the European dimension of their activities, including on how to live better together after the pandemic and helping to design sustainable future ways of living, in line with the European Green Deal and the New European Bauhaus initiative.

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation active in the field of youth. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	8 000 000

b) Civil society cooperation in the field of Youth

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.41

The main objective of this action is to provide structural support, in the form of operating grants, to European non-governmental organisations (ENGOs) and EU-wide networks active in the youth field, through a new call for proposals offering opportunities to apply for annual operating grants.

Specific Objectives:

- Raise awareness of the EU Youth Strategy including the European Youth Goals, through actions to engage, connect and empower youth;
- Increase commitment and cooperation of youth civil society actors with public authorities for the implementation of policies in areas relevant for young people;
- Boost youth stakeholder participation, including by building upon the potential of digital communication alongside other forms of participation;
- Boost youth civil society involvement in the dissemination of policy and programme actions including results and good practices among their membership and beyond.

Targeted applicants are European non-governmental organisations (ENGOs) and EU-wide networks in the field of youth established in EU Member States and third countries associated to the programme.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 3.32).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	8 000 000

4. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENTS

a) Exchanges of experience and good practices in the field of youth

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.50

In the field of youth, the programme will fund mutual learning activities under the EU Youth Strategy. Exchanges of experience and good practices are an integral part of the EU Youth Strategy toolbox for the advancement of youth policy. These activities could include expert groups, peer-learning and peer-counselling activities.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
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EAC	300 000

b) Studies

Index references in budget table (WPI): 5.51

A number of studies, surveys and Eurobarometers may be launched in order to support policy development, policy monitoring and the implementation of the Programme in the field of youth, in line with current policy priorities.

The aim will be to gather exhaustive knowledge and information to produce reports and analysis that support the European Commission's policy action and facilitate cooperation in the field of youth.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	300 000

c) Policy-related and policy dialogue conferences

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.52

The amounts allocated will support the organisation of a wide range of events, conferences and other activities aimed to raise awareness of, debate, develop, disseminate and exploit the main topics dealt within the Erasmus+ Programme and/or in the European policy agendas in the field of youth.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	50 000

d) Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders

Index references in budget table (WPI): 5.53

The costs related to grant-holders and other meetings for supporting Programme implementation are included in the Work Programme. This action will support info days, kick-off events and other meetings with accredited organisations in order to promote the Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	80 000

e) Youth events

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.54

The action supports the preparation, organisation, communication, engagement, outreach of events and other activities linked to a reinforced visibility of the action of the EU in the youth field, in line with the EU Youth Strategy. The expected result is higher visibility, better

outreach and more awareness of the actions offered under the 2021-2027 programme. In addition, the action supports the community management activities of DiscoverEU, such as the daily management of handling the questions of young people asked in the #DiscoverEU Official Facebook Group.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	1 350 000

f) National policies platform

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 5.56

The National Policies Platform (hosting the YouthWiki) requires development to enhance accessibility, browsing and customising of data. The aim is to make data on youth policies in Europe fully open, reusable and comprehensible to all citizens. These developments are expected to boost circulation of information and data generated by the Youth National Correspondents, and favour their use in policy-making and research. The development, running and maintenance of the National Policies Platform will be provided through the use of an already existing framework contract of the European Commission.

This action is shared between the budget lines 07 03 01 02 and 07 03 02 (see WPI 3.72).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	100 000

5. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDRER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

a) Selection and implementation

Index references in budget table (WPI): 5.60, 5.61

The costs related to the experts involved in the assessment of proposals and offers, supporting monitoring tasks and in providing policy advice are included in the Work Programme. This item will be implemented through recourse to experts based on existing lists established following Calls for Expression of Interest in compliance with Art. 237 FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	H2: 450 000
EACEA	H6: 112 573

C. SPORT

I. KEY ACTION 1

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Mobility projects

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.01

Projects under this action promote mobility activities targeting sport staff. The action aims at giving the opportunity to staff of sport organisations, primarily in grassroots sports, to improve their competences, qualifications and acquire new skills through learning mobility by spending a period of time abroad, thus contributing to the capacity-building and development of sport organisations.

Type of applicants: organisations active in the fields of sport can receive support from the Erasmus+ Programme to carry out projects supporting staff mobility. Mobility activities involve two participating organisations from EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 157(1) of the FR.

The financial envelope of mobility projects by country and field is indicated in Part III of this Work Programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
NA	8 000 000

II. KEY ACTION 2

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDRER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY MEANS OF CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

a) Partnerships for Cooperation: Cooperation Partnerships in the sport field

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.03

The action "Cooperation Partnerships in the fields of education, training, youth and sport" as described in this Work Programme is managed directly in case the applications are submitted for projects in the field of sport.

Cooperation Partnerships allow organisations to increase the quality and relevance of their activities, to develop and reinforce their networks of partners, to increase their capacity to operate jointly at transnational level, boosting internationalisation of their activities and through exchanging or developing new practices and methods as well as sharing and confronting ideas. They aim to support the development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices as well as the implementation of joint initiatives promoting cooperation, peer learning and exchanges of experience at European level. Results should be re-usable, transferable, up-scalable and, if possible, have a strong transdisciplinary dimension. Selected projects are expected to share the results of their activities at local, regional, national level and transnational level.

Cooperation Partnerships are anchored to the priorities and policy frameworks of each Erasmus+ sector while aiming at producing incentives for cross-sectoral and horizontal cooperation in thematic areas.

Erasmus+ stands with Ukraine: a particular focus will be given in 2023 to projects aiming at addressing the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the sport field.

To be funded, Cooperation Partnerships must address at least one of the following priorities:

Priorities applying to all Erasmus+ sectors:

- Inclusion and diversity;
- Environment and fight against climate change;
- Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity;
- Common values, civic engagement and participation.

<u>Priorities in the field of sport:</u>

- Encouraging **healthy lifestyles for all**, including through awareness raising of the benefits of healthy and active lifestyles, and promoting the participation in sport and physical activity, as well as their contribution to health;
- Promoting integrity and values in sport;
- Promoting **education** in and through sport;
- Promoting equality and European values in and through sport.

While the aim for this action is to strive for a balanced representation of the above mentioned priorities, taking into account the available budget and the quality of submitted applications, a particular focus will be given in 2023 to the priority "*Encouraging healthy lifestyles for all*".

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	38 635 621

b) Partnerships for Cooperation: Small-scale partnerships

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 6.04

The action "Small-scale partnerships in the fields of education, training, youth and sport" as described in this Work Programme is implemented under direct management in case of applications submitted for projects in the field of sport.

Erasmus+ stands with Ukraine: a particular focus will be given in 2023 to projects aiming at addressing the consequences of the Russian invasion of Ukraine in the sport field.

To be funded, small cooperation Partnerships must address at least one of the following priorities:

Priorities applying to all Erasmus+ sectors:

- Inclusion and diversity;
- Environment and fight against climate change;
- Addressing digital transformation through development of digital readiness, resilience and capacity;
- Common values, civic engagement and participation.

Priorities in the field of sport:

- Encouraging healthy lifestyles for all, including through awareness raising of the benefits of healthy and active lifestyles, and promoting the participation in sport and physical activity, as well as their contribution to health;
- Promoting integrity and values in sport;
- Promoting **education** in and through sport;
- Promoting equality and European values in and through sport.

While the aim for this action is to strive for a balanced representation of the priorities of the above mentioned priorities, taking into account the available budget and the quality of submitted applications, a particular focus will be given in 2023 to the priority "*Encouraging healthy lifestyles for all*".

Type of applicants targeted by this action: any public or private organisation. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	10 500 000

c) Not-for-profit European sport events

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.05

This action aims to support the organisation of "Not-for-profit European sport events" with a European dimension in the following fields: volunteering in sport; social inclusion through sport; non-discrimination; promotion of healthy lifestyles, health-enhancing physical activity, including the implementation of the European Week of Sport.

This action supports the preparation, organisation and follow-up of not-for-profit sport events, organised either in one single country or in several countries by not-for-profit organisations or public bodies active in the field of sport.

Applicants targeted by this call are any public body or organisation active in the field of sport. Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or in a third country associated to the programme.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	7 000 000

d) Capacity building in the field of Sports - Heading 6

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.06

The action will support international cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships between organisations active in the field of sport in EU Member States, third countries associated to the programme and third countries not associated to the programme. The aim is to support sport activities and policy development in third countries not associated to the programme to promote values, social inclusion, social cohesion as well as education through sport. Specifically the action intends to: raise the capacity of grassroots sport organisations; promote grassroots sport activities; promote social inclusion through sport; emphasise mutual promotion of values; foster cooperation across different regions of the world through joint initiatives.

Type of applicants in this action: grassroots sport organisations and other public or private organisations active in the sport field (NGOs, municipalities and local authorities, schools,

universities and other educational institutions, etc.). Applicants must be established in an EU Member State or third country associated to the programme, or a Western Balkan third country not associated targeted by this action.

This action also funded on the basis of the Regulation EU No 2021/1529 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Instrument for Pre-Accession assistance (IPA III)¹⁰². The general objective of IPAIII is to support the beneficiaries in the Western Balkans in adopting and implementing the political, institutional, legal, administrative, social and economic reforms required by those beneficiaries to comply with Union values and to progressively align to Union rules, standards, policies and practices ('acquis') with a view to future Union membership, thereby contributing to mutual stability, security, peace and prosperity.

Under the NDICI/IPAIII programming, Western Balkans is the only targeted region.

With regards in particular to third countries non associated to the Programme, this action will expectedly result in raising the capacity of grassroots sport organisations, encouraging the practice of sport and physical activity, promoting social inclusion through sport, promoting positive values through sport (such as fair play, tolerance, team spirit), and fostering cooperation across different regions of the world through joint initiatives.

By supporting sport activities and policies in those countries, the action will operate as a vehicle to promote values as well as an educational tool to promote the personal and social development of individuals and build more cohesive communities. Creating and developing networks between organisations/countries/regions, developing and implementing exchange of best practices/ideas, and implementing common sport activities and educational side events will all, as outcomes entailed by this action, contribute to building and strengthening the capacities of sport organisations in such countries.

Supported activities are expected to contribute to the promotion of common values, nondiscrimination and gender equality through sport, the development of skills (though sport) needed to improve the social involvement of disadvantaged groups (e.g. independence, leadership etc.), to a smoother integration of migrants and to post-conflict reconciliation.

For the reasons above, under this action the participation of legal entities from third countries not associated to the Programme as foreseen by Article 20 of the Erasmus+ Regulation is in the Union's interest.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	992 990

¹⁰² OJ L 330, 20.9.2021.

III. KEY ACTION 3

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Cooperation with the Council of Europe

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 6.07

The Council of Europe (CoE) and the Commission will cooperate to support the initiatives of relevant governmental agencies as well as event organisers and sport organisations in ensuring that international standards with regard to safety, security and service at sport events (such as the European Convention on Spectators' Violence as well as T-RV recommendations) are properly implemented. The project aims to enhance the competence of key stakeholders, for example by providing training and technical assistance in implementing the Convention provisions and recommendations. It will also analyse data regarding the emerging trends and challenges in this field.

The budget implementation tasks will be entrusted to the Council of Europe via the conclusion of a Contribution Agreement under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f), 154 and 156(1) of the FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
СоЕ	400 000

2. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - BY EXCEPTION TO CALLS FOR PROPOSALS – ARTICLE 195 FR

a) Presidency events

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.10

Grants will be awarded to the governments of Sweden, Spain and Belgium (or bodies designated by them) to organise during their respective Presidencies of the Council of the EU or in preparation thereof of conferences, seminars, meetings of Directors-Generals on priority policy topics, together with associated activities for the exploitation of project and Programme results. The main outcomes expected from Presidency events are policy guidance, orientations, conclusions and messages which will serve as inputs to promote European policy approaches, to inform Presidency policy proposals, to improve the cooperation between the EU and the Member States and to prepare future policy initiatives in the field of sport.

The Presidency is considered as a *de jure* monopoly because it plays a unique role to foster policy cooperation, define priorities and follow-up the progress and results achieved in the field of sport (Article 195 (c) FR).

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)	
EAC	750 000	

b) Peer-learning activities

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.11

Grants will be awarded to ministries, governmental authorities or other public bodies designated by Member States or third countries associated to the programme, wishing to organise peer learning activities in the framework of the implementation of the EU Work Plan for Sport. Such a peer learning activity should include no less than seven countries (Member States and/or third countries associated to the programme). These activities aim to provide a framework to discuss, exchange ideas and best practices on the main challenges in the field of sport outlined in the EU Work Plan for Sport.

These are actions with specific characteristics that require a particular type of body on account of its technical competence, its high degree of specialisation or its administrative power (Article 195 (f) FR). Member States and third countries associated to the programme are considered to be the only bodies technically competent to carry out these actions aiming at exchanges of good practices and ideas between policy makers.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	500 000

3. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PROCUREMENTS

a) Evidence-based activities

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.20

Good knowledge, information and evidence on social, economic and governance-related aspects of sport and physical activity are a prerequisite for effective policy making in these fields at the EU level and in Member States. EU added value can be achieved by encouraging data collection and evidence reinforcement, spreading good practices from EU Member States or third countries associated to the programme and sport organisations and by reinforcing networks at EU level. The EU can provide both opportunities for cooperation among stakeholders and synergy with, and between, national, regional and local policies to promote sport-related challenges. The following activities can be covered:

- studies and support services to networks;
- support for surveys and data gathering, aiming at strengthening the evidence base for policy making.

Studies would allow covering, for instance, the continuation of the works on Sport satellite accounts and sport statistics, sport and innovation, health-enhancing physical activity. Networks, for instance in the field of sport economics, could also be launched.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EAC	1 500 000

b) Conferences, Seminars and Communication activities

Index references in budget table (WPI): 6.21

One of the main activities foreseen for the dialogue with stakeholders is the annual EU Sport Forum. This event is gathering in particular representatives from, public authorities, key sport organisations and EU institutions. Other ad-hoc meetings, seminars, conferences and communication activities, including those related to awards, to the development of the European Week of Sport and to the promotion of grassroots sport relevant to ensure optimal dialogue with sport stakeholders and getting their views may also be envisaged.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)		
EAC	3 500 000		

c) Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders

Index references in budget table (WPI):

The costs related to grant-holders and other meetings for supporting Programme implementation are included in the Work Programme. This action will support Sport Info Day, kick-off events and other meetings in order to promote the Programme.

6.22

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	250 000

4. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - PRIZES

a) #BeInclusive EU Sport Awards

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 6.30

The aim of this initiative would be to reward the best projects that have successfully supported social inclusion through sport. Projects can include breaking barriers for people with fewer opportunities, including young people with migrant background, ethnic minorities, disadvantaged, marginalized or underprivileged groups, people with a disability, individuals with difficult social backgrounds, etc. The awards will also support projects promoting gender equality in sport and using sport as a way to contribute to peace. Besides rewarding specific organisations, the award will also give visibility and support the dissemination of innovative ideas, initiatives and best practices throughout Europe.

This competition would concern any organisation or public authority (individuals are not eligible) which has successfully developed a sport project aimed at social inclusion, carried out in the EU Member States or third countries associated to the programme. The projects will not necessarily be transnational projects nor will necessarily be EU-supported.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	45 000

b) #BeActive Awards

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 6.31

The aim of this initiative would be to reward the best projects that have successfully promoted physical activity. Besides rewarding specific organisations, this competition aims at rewarding and giving visibility to initiatives and projects which have efficiently contributed to promoting sports and physical activity.

This competition would concern any organisation, public authority or individual which has successfully developed a sport project aimed at promoting sport and physical activity in the spirit of the European Week of Sport. The projects will not necessarily be transnational projects nor will necessarily be EU-supported.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	60 000

5. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDRER DIRECT MANAGEMENT - CALLS FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

a) Selection and implementation

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 6.40, 6.41

The costs related to the experts involved in the assessment of proposals and offers, supporting monitoring tasks and in providing policy advice are included in this Work Programme. This item will be implemented through recourse to experts based on existing lists established following Calls for Expression of Interest in compliance with Art. 237 FR.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)
EACEA	H2: 1 000 000
	H6: 69 000

D. MANAGEMENT FEES OF NATIONAL AGENCIES

1. ACTIONS IMPLEMENTED UNDER INDIRECT MANAGEMENT

a) Management Fees of National Agencies

Index reference in budget table (WPI): 7.00, 7.01

Financial support is provided to National Agencies as a contribution to their management costs linked to the implementation of the entrusted budget implementation tasks.

The allocations from Heading 6 budget are intended for the National Agences managing the International Mobilities.

A contribution to the management fees will be awarded to Erasmus+ National Agencies via the conclusion of Contribution Agreements under indirect management mode in accordance with Articles 62 (1)(c), 110 (3)(f) and 157(1) of the FR.

The calculation method and the country distribution of the management fees are provided in Part III of this Work Programme.

The Commission authorizes the recognition of the eligibility of costs incurred from 1 January 2023. This retroactivity aims to ensure programme implementation continuity.

Implementation	Indicative amount (EUR)	
NA	H2: 130 000 000	
	H6: 9 295 694	

PART III - BUDGET

This part of the Work Programme gives an indication of the funds which will be available in 2023 to finance activities supported by the Erasmus+ Programme.

1. AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS AND DISTRIBUTION BY BUDGET LINE

The total available appropriations foreseen under the 2023 Work Programme for the EU Member States, countries belonging to the European Economic Area, other countries participating to the Programme (North Macedonia, Turkey, Serbia) amounts to **EUR 4 171 450 285.**

These available appropriations are distributed as follows (see table below for details):

- appropriations from the budget of the Union and under Heading 2: EUR 3 506 429 241;
- appropriations from the budget of the Union and under Heading 6: **EUR 359 066 667**;
- appropriations arising from the participation of the EFTA/EEA countries: EUR 102 386 777 under Heading 2 and EUR 10 520 653 under Heading 6;
- appropriations corresponding to estimated external assigned revenues: EUR 166 400 977 under Heading 2 and EUR 24 745 970 under Heading 6;
- appropriations corresponding to estimated internal assigned revenues: **EUR 1 000 000** under Heading 2 and **EUR 900 000** under Heading 6.

Tables 1 – Erasmus+ 2023: available appropriations

202:	3 Draft Budget	Budget lines	EU Budget	EFTA/EEA	External assigned revenues (Other countries)	Internal assigned revenues	2023 Draft Budget
	E&T&JMO	07 03 01 01	2.291.632.961	67.144.846	126.882.193	1.000.000	2.486.660.000
	Editajivio	07 03 01 02	769.528.303	22.547.179	19.690.892		811.766.374
Heading 2	ESF+	07 02 13	12.000.000				12.000.000
neaulity 2	Youth	07 03 02	365.603.266	10.712.176	17.334.558		393.650.000
	Sport	07 03 03	67.664.711	1.982.576	2.493.334		72.140.621
	Total (H2)		3.506.429.241	102.386.777	166.400.977	1.000.000	3.776.216.995
	NDICI-Global Europe	14 02 01 50	296.666.667	8.692.333	21.944.034	900.000	328.203.034
Heading 6	Heading 6 IPA III	15 02 01 02	62.400.000	1.828.320	2.801.936	0	67.030.256
Total	Total (H6)		359.066.667	10.520.653	24.745.970	900.000	395.233.290
TOTAL			3.865.495.908	112.907.430	191.146.947	1.900.000	4.171.450.285

2. DISTRIBUTION OF AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS BY ACTIONS AND FIELDS – BUDGET AND PROGRAMMING TABLES

The budget and programming tables below show the distribution of available appropriations among the Key Actions and actions funded by budget lines 07 03 01 01, 07 03 01 02, 07 02 13, 07 03 02, 07 03 03, 14 02 01 50 and 15 02 01 02 taking into account the amounts adopted in the EU-Budget, the financial contributions from EFTA/EEA and from other countries for their participation in the Programme, as well as a forecast of internal assigned revenues from recoveries.

The overall allocation of funds to the actions of the Programme is established by the provisions of Article 17 of the Regulation, which establishes allocations per policy field and other expenditure covered by the Programme. The percentages in the Regulation are set and should be respected for the entire programming period 2021-2027. These shares have therefore governed the allocation of funds at the annual level for the year 2023.

The thresholds of budget allocation under Erasmus+ are as follows:

	Erasmus+ 2021-2027		
	% of total budget	% of E&T budget	
a. Education and Training	83%		
1) Higher education		Min. 34.6%	
2) Vocational Education and Training		Min. 21.5%	
3) School education		Min. 15.2%	
4) Adult education		Min. 5.8%	
5) Jean Monnet		Min. 1.8%	
Horizontal activities		Min. 17%	
Flexibility margin		4.1%	
b. Youth	10.3%		
c. Sport	1.9%		
d. Operational costs of National	Min. 3.3%		
Agencies	WIIII. 3.3%		
e. Programme support	1.5%		

It should be noted, however, that in line with the Regulation, these percentages of the total budget are fixed for the entire programming period 2021 - 2027. Therefore, for a given year of implementation of the Programme, they do not need to be respected in full (i.e. because of reprogramming or change in political priorities), while the trend will have to be respected for the overall duration of the Programme.

	Legend:
AA:	Administrative Arrangement
APEL:	Aw ard Procedure For European Label or Charter
CFP:	Grants aw arded with a call for proposals
DB:	Grants to bodies identified by a basic act - Art 195 (d) FR
FPA:	Specific grant aw arded under a Framew ork Partnership Agreement
IM:	Indirect management
MF:	Management fees aw arded to the National Agencies
MON:	Grants to bodies with a de jure or de facto monopoly - Art 195 (c) FR
NA:	National Agencies
N/A:	not applicable
PP:	Public Procurement
PR:	Prize
SE:	Experts - Art. 237 FR
SPE:	Grants for actions with specific caracteristics - Art 195 (f) FR
WPI:	Work Programme Index

Table 2 - Key Action 1 - Budget lines Heading 2: 07 03 01 01, 07 03 01 02, 07 02 13 (E&T), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50, 15 02 01 02

	EDUCATION AND TRAIN	ING			
	KEY ACTION 1: Learning Mob	oility			•
WPI	Actions	Heading	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implemeting body
	Mobility projects:				
1.01	Higher education students and staff		1.031.000.000	IM	NA
1.01			12.000.000		
1.02	VET learners and staff	2	495.000.000	IM	NA
1.03	School education learners and staff	2	370.000.000	IM	NA
1.04	Adult education learners and staff	2	87.500.000	IM	NA
1.05	Mobility project for Higher education students and staff from/to third countries not associated to the programme - Heading 6		197.275.287	IM	NA
1.10	Accreditations in the field of VET, school education and adult education	2	0	IM	NA
1.11	Higher Education Mobility Consortium Accreditations	2	0	IM	NA
1.12	Virtual Exchanges in Higher Education and Youth - Heading 6	6	6.266.138	CFP	EACEA
1.20	Language learning opportunities	2	3.500.000	PP	EACEA
1.30	Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE)	2	0	APEL	EACEA
Sub-total	Sub-total KA1 (Heading 2: 07 03 01 01)		1.987.000.000		
Sub-total	Sub-total KA1 (Heading 2: 07 02 13)		12.000.000		
Sub-total	KA1 (Heading 6)		203.541.425		

WPI	KEY ACTION 2: Cooperation among organisat Actions	Heading	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implemeting body
	Partnerships for Cooperation: Cooperation partnerships in the fields of education and training				
2.01	Partnerships Higher Education	2	83.500.000	IM	NA
2.02	Partnerships Vocational Education and Training	2	72.000.000	IM	NA
2.03	Partnerships School Education	2	90.400.000	IM	NA
2.04	Partnerships Adult Education	2	38.700.000	IM	NA
2.05	Small-scale partnerships Vocational Education and Training	2	20.000.000	IM	NA
2.06	Small-scale partnerships School Education	2	20.000.000	IM	NA
2.07	Small-scale partnerships Adult Education	2	20.000.000	IM	NA
2.08	Partnerships for Cooperation in the fields of education and training – European NGOs	2	5.000.000	CFP	EACEA
2.09	Partnerships for Excellence: European Universities	2	384.000.000	CFP	EACEA
2.10	Partnerships for Excellence: Erasmus Mundus action	2	120.000.000	CFP	EACEA
2.11	Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Degrees-Additional partnerships focused on external priorities for targeted regions of the w orld - Heading 6	6	25.589.571	CFP	EACEA
2.12	Partnerships for Excellence: Centres for Vocational Excellence	2	52.000.000	CFP	EACEA
2.14	Partnerships for Innovation: Alliances	2	62.000.000	CFP	EACEA
2.15	Partnerships for Innovation: Forw ard-Looking Projects	2	35.000.000	CFP	EACEA
2.16	Capacity building in Higher Education – Heading 6	6	110.353.169	CFP	EACEA
2.17	Capacity building in VET - Heading 6	6	27.116.244	CFP	EACEA
2.30	EPALE (Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe) Central Support Service	2	4.000.000	PP	EACEA
2.31	Europass platform and related tools	2	5.000.000	PP	EMPL
2.32	European School Education Platfrom Central Support Services	2	4.700.000	PP	EACEA
2.33	European Student Card Initiative	2	8.000.000	PP	EAC/EACEA
2.34	School Education, VET, Adult Education tools (Erasmus without paper)	2	3.000.000	PP	EAC/EACEA
2.36	European platform for cooperation betw een higher education institutions	2	3.000.000	PP	EAC/EACEA
2.40	Π services for Erasmus+ platforms	2	670.000	AA	EACEA
Sub-total	KA2 (Heading 2)		1.030.970.000		
Sub-total	KA2 (Heading 6)		163.058.984		

Table 3	- Kev Action 2	- Budget lines Headi	ng 2: 07 03 01 01	. 07 03 01 02 (E&T)), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50	. 15 02 01 02
Table 4 - Key Action 3 - Budget lines Heading 2: 07 03 01 01, 07 03 01 02 (E&T), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50, 15 02 01 02

	KEY ACTION 3: Support to policy developm	ent and co	operation		
WPI	Actions	Heading	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implemeting body
3.01	Training and Cooperation Activities in the fields of Education and Training	2	20.000.000	IM	NA
3.02	SALTO Resource Centres in the fields of Education and Training	2	1.150.000	IM	NA
3.03	National Teams to support the implementation of EU VET tools	2	3.000.000	IM	NA
3.04	Cooperation with the Council of Europe	2	700.000	IM	CoE
3.05	Cooperation with the OECD	2	3.710.000	IM	OECD
3.10	Presidency events	2	860.000	MON	EAC
3.11		2	200.000		EMPL
3.15	Implementing renew ed priorities for the European Agenda for Adult Learning - National Coordinators for the implementation of the Agenda	2	9.631.000	SPE	EACEA
3.16	Eurydice - netw ork of National units	2	4.818.000	DB	EACEA
3.17	Support to the European Quality Assurance in Vocational Education and Training National Reference Points (EQAVET – NRP)	2	7.500.000	DB	EACEA
3.32	Civil Society Cooperation: Education and Training	2	5.000.000	CFP	EACEA
3.40	Innovation in Education (e.g. HEInnovate)	2	300.000	PP	EAC
3.41	Supporting implementation of the Digital Education Action Plan 2021-2027	2	3.600.000	PP	EAC
3.42	Expertise on Education and Training	2	2.250.000	. PP	Implemeting body M NA M NA M NA M NA M CoE M OECD M OECD DN EAC EMPL EACEA B EACEA B EACEA P EACEA P EACEA P EACEA P EAC P EAC
3.43	Expertise on Education and Training	2	550.000		EMPL
3.44	Evolution of evolution and good practice, and near equipabilities	2	250.000	PP	EAC
3.45	Exchanges of experience and good practice, and peer counselling		500.000		EMPL
3.46	Prospective platform	2	200.000	PP	EAC
3.47	Studies	2	850.000	PP	EAC
3.48		2	100.000		EMPL

3.49	Academic networks (EENEE, NESET)	2	400.000	PP	EAC
3.50	Country aposition experting, potwork of notional experts	2	1.200.000	. PP	EAC
3.51	Country-specific expertise: netw ork of national experts	2	300.000		EMPL
3.53	Transparency and recognition of skills and qualifications	2	1.200.000	PP	EMPL
3.54	Policy-related and policy dialogue conferences	2	750.000	PP	EAC
3.56	International policy dialogue	2	1.000.000	PP	EAC
3.57	University Business Cooperation	2	270.000	PP	EAC
3.58	3.58 International Student and Alumni Netw ork Erasmus+		1.500.000	- PP	EACEA
3.59	International Student and Alumni Network Elasmus+	6	1.000.000		EACEA
3.61		2	1.000.000	PP	- EACEA
3.62	Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders	6	365.379	PP	EACEA
3.63	Education Summit	2	600.000	PP	EAC
3.64	Dissemination and communication activities	2	1.600.000	PP	EAC
3.65	Information, aw areness-raising activities and events in the field of multilingualism diversity and	2	400.000	PP	EAC
3.66	inclusive education	2	700.000	PP	EAC-DGT
3.67	European Education Area Portal	2	2.500.000	PP	EAC
3.72	National policies platform	2	150.000	PP	EACEA
3.73	Bologna implementation report	2	100.000	PP	EACEA
3.74	Support for the implementation of the VET Recommendation related to EQAVET, graduate tracking and European Core Vocational Profiles	2	2.500.000	PP	EMPL
3.75	International attractiveness of Europe higher education (Study in Europe)	2	5.000.000	PP	EACEA
3.80		2	2.800.000	~-	<u></u>
3.81	Selection and implementation		2.657.307	SE	EACEA
3.90	Commission's Joint Research Centre (JRC) Administrative arrangements		4.000.000		EAC
3.91			600.000	AA	EMPL
Sub-total K	A3 (Heading 2)		93.739.000		
Sub-total K	A3 (Heading 6)		4.022.686		

<u>Table 5 – Jean Monnet Actions - Budget lines Heading 2: 07 03 01 02 (E&T), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50, 15 02 01 02</u>

	Jean Monnet Actions	•		•	
WPI	Actions	Heading	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implementing body
4.01	Jean Monnet Actions in the field of Higher Education: Modules, Chairs and Centres of Excellence	2	9.000.000	CFP	EACEA
4.02		6	4.816.707	GIF	
4.03	Jean Monnet actions for other fields of education and training	2	7.000.000	CFP	EACEA
4.04			3.000.000		
4.05	Jean Monnet policy debate	6	2.400.000	CFP	EACEA
	Operating grants to support specific institutions:				
4.20	College of Europe, Bruges	2	5.614.856	DB	EACEA
4.21	European University Institute, Florence	2	20.144.695	DB	EACEA
4.21	(out of which EUR 8 320 000 for the School of European and Transnational Governance)	2		DB	EACEA
4.22	Academy of European Law, Trier	2	2.724.114	DB	EACEA
4.23	the European Institute of Public Administration , Maastricht	2	1.038.751	DB	EACEA
4.24	European Agency for Special Needs and Inclusive Education, Odense	2	1.133.537	DB	EACEA
4.25	International Centre for European Training, Nice	2	2.522.830	DB	EACEA
4.26	College of Europe, Natolin	2	4.538.591	DB	EACEA
Sub-total	Jean Monnet actions (Heading 2)		56.717.374		
Sub-totalJ	ean Monnet actions (Heading 6)		7.216.707		

Table 6 – Management Fees - Budget lines Heading 2: 07 03 01 01 (E&T)

	Management Fees										
WPI	Actions	Heading	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implementing body						
7.00	7.00 7.01 Management fees of National Agencies		130.000.000	IM	NIA						
7.01			9.295.694	IIVI	NA						

<u>Table 7 – Total budget - Budget lines Heading 2: 07 03 01 01, 07 03 01 02 (E&T), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50, 15 02 01 02</u>

Education & Training Total Budget									
2023 Draft Budget									
	TOTAL (HEADING 2: 07 03 01 01, 07 03 01 02)		3.298.426.374						
	TOTAL (HEADING 2: 07 02 13)		12.000.000						
	TOTAL HEADING 6		387.135.496						
	GRAND TOTAL		3.697.561.870						

Table 8 – Budget line 07 03 02 (Youth), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50, 15 02 01 02

WPI Actions H KEY ACTION 1: Learning mobility 5.01 Mobility projects in the field of youth 5.02 5.02 Y outh participation 5.03 5.03 DiscoverEU inclusion action 5.04 5.06 DiscoverEU General 5.07 5.07 Language learning opportunities 1	Heading 2	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implemeting body
5.01 Mobility projects in the field of youth 5.02 Youth participation 5.03 DiscoverEU inclusion action 5.04 Accreditations in the field of youth 5.06 DiscoverEU General				
5.02 Youth participation 5.03 DiscoverEU inclusion action 5.04 Accreditations in the field of youth 5.06 DiscoverEU General	2			
5.03 DiscoverEU inclusion action 5.04 Accreditations in the field of youth 5.06 DiscoverEU General		157.200.000	IM	NA
5.03 DiscoverEU inclusion action 5.04 Accreditations in the field of youth 5.06 DiscoverEU General	2	30.000.000	IM	NA
5.04 Accreditations in the field of youth 5.06 DiscoverEU General	2	7.000.000	IM	NA
5.06 DiscoverEU General	2	0	IM	NA
	2	33.000.000	PP	EACEA
5.07 Language learning opportunities	2	650.000	PP	EACEA
Sub-total KA1 (Heading 2)	-	227.850.000		
KEY ACTION 2: Cooperation among organisations a	and inc	titutions		1
		90.000.000	IM	NA
5.11 Partnerships for Cooperation: Small-scale partnerships in the field of youth	2	20.000.000	IM	NA
5.13 Partnerships for Cooperation in the field of youth – European NGOs	2	2.000.000	CFP	EACEA
5.14 Capacity building in the field of youth - Heading 6	6	6.923.231	CFP	EACEA
5.17 European Youth Portal (EYP)	2	1.450.000	PP	EAC
Sub-total KA 2 (Heading 2)		113.450.000		
Sub-total KA2 (Heading 6)		6.923.231		
KEY ACTION 3: Support to policy development an	nd coor	peration		
5.20 Training and Cooperation Activities in the field of youth	2	20.000.000	IM	NA
5.21 SALTO Resource Centres in the field of youth	2	2.200.000	IM	NA
5.22 DiscoverEU - Learning Cycle for DiscoverEU participants	2	5.000.000	IM	NA
5.23 Eurodesk netw ork	2	2.500.000	IM	NA
5.30 Presidency events	2	500.000	MON	EAC
5.33 European Youth Forum	2	2.800.000	DB	EACEA
5.34 Eurodesk Brussels-link	2	720.000	DB	EACEA
5.40 European Youth Together	2	8.000.000	CFP	EACEA
5.41 Civil society coopration in the field of Youth	2	8.000.000	CFP	EACEA
5.50 Echanges of experience and good practices in the youth field	2	300.000	PP	EAC
5.51 Studies	2	300.000	PP	EAC
5.52 Policy-related and policy dialogue conferences	2	50.000	PP	EAC
5.53 Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders	2	80.000	PP	EACEA
5.54 Youth events	2	1.350.000	PP	EAC
5.56 National policies platform	2	100.000	PP	EACEA
5.60 Selection and implementation	2	450.000	SE	EACEA
Sub-total KA3 (Heading 2)	0	52.350.000		1
Sub-total KA3 (Heading 6)		112.573		1
Youth Total Budget				
TOTAL (Heading 2)	r	393.650.000		
TOTAL (Heading 6)		7.035.804		

Table 9 –Budget line 07 03 03 (Sport), Heading 6: 14 02 01 50, 15 02 01 02

	SPORT		-	•	
WPI	Actions	Heading	2023 Draft Budget	Implementation mode	Implemeting body
	KEY ACTION 1: Learning	; mobility			
6.01	Mobility projects in the field of sport	2	8.000.000	IM	NA
Sub-tota	I KA 1		8.000.000		
	KEY ACTION 2: Cooperation among orga	nisations and	institutions		
6.03	Partnerships for Cooperation: Cooperation partnereships in the sport field	2	38.635.621	CFP	EACEA
6.04	Partnerships for Cooperation: Small-scale partnerships	2	10.500.000	CFP	EACEA
6.05	Not-for-profit European sport events	2	7.000.000	CFP	EACEA
6.06	Capacity building in the field of Sports - Heading 6	6	992.990	CFP	EACEA
Sub-tota	I KA 2 (Heading 2)		56.135.621		
Sub-tota	l KA2 (Heading 6)		992.990		
	KEY ACTION 3: Support to policy development	opment and c	ooperation		
6.07	Cooperation with the Council of Europe	2	400.000	IM	CoE
6.10	Presidency events	2	750.000	MON	EAC
6.11	Peer-learning activities	2	500.000	SPE	EAC
6.20	Evidence based activities	2	1.500.000	PP	EAC
6.21	Conferences, Seminars and Communication activities	2	3.500.000	PP	EAC
6.22	Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders	2	250.000	PP	EACEA
6.30	#BeInclusive EU Sport Aw ards	2	45.000	PR	EACEA
6.31	#BeActive Aw ards	2	60.000	PR	EACEA
6.40	Selection and implementation	2	1.000.000	SE	EACEA
6.41		6	69.000		
Sub-tota	I KA3 (Heading 2)		8.005.000		
Sub-tota	I KA3 (Heading 6)		69.000		
	Sport Total Budg	get			
TOTAL (Heading 2)		72.140.621		
TOTAL (Heading 6)		1.061.990		

3. BREAKDOWN BY COUNTRY OF THE HEADING 2 AND HEADING 6 FUNDS ALLOCATED TO THE NATIONAL AGENCIES

Standard criteria

In application of the Regulation, the <u>4 criteria</u> used for the allocation of funds for grant support indirectly managed by the National Agencies are the following:

- a) Country Population;
- b) Cost of Living;
- c) Distance between capitals;
- d) Performance.

The <u>relative weight</u> of the criteria is calculated as follows:

Education and Training and Youth:

Minimum allocation of 10% of the budget for each action is applied. The criteria a) to c) account for the allocation of 80% of funds. The criterion of past performance d) accounts for the remaining 10%.

Sport:

In 2023, the criterion of past performance will not apply. For this reason, the minimum allocation applied is 20% of the budget. The criteria a) to c) account for the allocation of 80% of funds.

In order to guarantee that there are no excessive imbalances in the annual budget allocated to countries from one year to another, a correction mechanism is applied to the allocations resulting from the pure application of the above-mentioned criteria. In addition, for Key Action 2, minima allocations are applied:

- For Cooperation Partnerships: minimum of EUR 400 000 for each country;
- For Small-scale Partnerships: minimum of EUR 120 000 for each country;
- For Mobility projects in Sport field: minimum of EUR 15 000 for each country.

For those countries participating in the Programme against payment of a financial contribution ("entry ticket"), the allocation of funds under indirect management is calculated on the basis of the financial contribution paid by the countries, coupled with the performance criterion and a correction mechanism.

Heading 6 allocations are calculated on the basis of Higher Education KA1 distributions.

		Total E&T	
Country	Total KA1	Total KA2	Total KA1+KA2
BE	58.803.962	9.061.064	67.865.026
BG	36.325.933	6.856.455	43.182.388
CZ	53.419.464	8.776.184	62.195.648
DK	31.441.617	5.500.741	36.942.358
DE	278.050.759	44.337.923	322.388.682
E	18.333.758	3.730.969	22.064.727
E	49.818.530	9.049.409	58.867.939
ES	187.534.880	33.091.465	220.626.345
FR	236.315.722	36.451.118	272.766.840
HR	24.855.535	4.229.460	29.084.995
IE	28.806.282	5.319.751	34.126.033
п	211.398.940	33.892.824	245.291.764
CY	9.454.475	2.640.159	12.094.634
LV	22.141.426	4.360.415	26.501.841
LT	28.168.399	5.215.837	33.384.236
LU	5.468.744	2.291.152	7.759.896
HU	48.669.679	8.306.299	56.975.978
МТ	5.876.149	2.309.117	8.185.266
NL	71.302.321	11.642.599	82.944.920
AT	43.756.020	7.286.005	51.042.025
PL	145.011.524	25.863.181	170.874.705
PT	54.495.681	9.120.924	63.616.605
RO	81.236.028	13.944.717	95.180.745
SI	21.360.847	4.013.198	25.374.045
SK	34.095.893	5.861.767	39.957.660
FI	37.150.960	6.196.292	43.347.252
SE	44.739.216	8.123.539	52.862.755
IS	6.471.744	2.419.179	8.890.923
LI	1.632.092	2.150.846	3.782.938
NO	27.231.152	5.346.777	32.577.929
EU-30	1.903.367.732	327.389.366	2.230.757.098
	-	-	-
TR	72.275.222	13.290.634	85.565.856
МК	2.841.107	1.960.000	4.801.107
RS	5.015.939	1.960.000	6.975.939
EU-33	1.983.500.000	344.600.000	2.328.100.000

Table 11: Country allocation – Education and training budget line (Heading 2) – breakdown by field

	I	Higher Education			V	ET			School E	ducation			Adult Ec	lucation		
Country	KA1	KA2 Cooperation partnerships	Total KA1+KA2	KA1	KA2 Cooperation partnerships	KA2 Small-scale partnerships	Total KA1+KA2	KA1	KA2 Cooperation partnerships	KA2 Small-scale partnerships	Total KA1+KA2	KA1	KA2 Cooperation partnerships	KA2 Small-scale partnerships	Total KA1+KA2	Country
BE	30.654.986	2.154.590	32.809.576	14.612.893	1.845.248	513.100	16.971.241	10.949.039	2.481.579	544.720	13.975.338	2.587.044	990.962	530.865	4.108.871	BE
BG	18.957.312	1.616.677	20.573.989	9.016.099	1.443.407	381.839	10.841.345	6.753.617	1.856.004	405.319	9.014.940	1.598.905	758.319	394.890	2.752.114	BG
CZ	27.324.734	2.093.600	29.418.334	13.512.369	1.769.844	495.507	15.777.720	10.186.887	2.410.547	529.128	13.126.562	2.395.474	962.136	515.422	3.873.032	cz
DK	16.395.350	1.308.977	17.704.327	7.825.110	1.168.585	309.137	9.302.832	5.836.010	1.461.330	319.129	7.616.469	1.385.147	613.899	319.684	2.318.730	DK
DE	144.906.042	10.736.997	155.643.039	69.151.716	9.211.417	2.579.196	80.942.329	51.754.909	11.789.911	2.588.203	66.133.023	12.238.092	4.839.269	2.592.930	19.670.291	DE
EE	9.574.640	971.314	10.545.954	4.546.240	752.238	198.997	5.497.475	3.407.499	967.318	211.245	4.586.062	805.379	414.177	215.680	1.435.236	EE
EL.	25.968.113	2.180.590	28.148.703	12.413.118	1.859.677	520.659	14.793.454	9.241.368	2.420.365	531.283	12.193.016	2.195.931	1.000.735	536.100	3.732.766	EL
ES	96.107.749	7.944.293	104.052.042	47.217.358	6.730.565	1.884.558	55.832.481	35.781.405	9.001.953	1.975.978	46.759.336	8.428.368	3.628.944	1.925.174	13.982.486	ES
FR	123.068.599	8.841.114	131.909.713	58.897.902	7.584.914	2.123.776	68.606.592	43.937.470	9.660.675	2.120.778	55.718.923	10.411.751	3.984.777	2.135.084	16.531.612	FR
HR	12.957.838	1.186.907	14.144.745	6.189.245	835.141	221.315	7.245.701	4.612.890	1.078.959	235.626	5.927.475	1.095.562	441.568	229.944	1.767.074	HR
IE	14.776.445	1.259.741	16.036.186	7.243.247	1.107.152	292.887	8.643.286	5.497.823	1.445.034	315.571	7.258.428	1.288.767	591.398	307.968	2.188.133	IE
п	110.086.287	8.279.472	118.365.759	52.702.395	7.057.052	1.975.975	61.735.422	39.296.329	8.895.905	1.952.890	50.145.124	9.313.929	3.731.926	1.999.604	15.045.459	п
CY	4.930.110	688.950	5.619.060	2.350.015	534.620	141.428	3.026.063	1.757.450	607.258	132.615	2.497.323	416.900	400.000	135.288	952.188	CY
LV	11.404.845	1.080.014	12.484.859	5.565.499	907.098	239.963	6.712.560	4.185.665	1.156.420	252.542	5.594.627	985.417	476.330	248.048	1.709.795	LV
LT	14.437.539	1.267.195	15.704.734	7.098.941	1.081.980	302.925	8.483.846	5.369.927	1.375.533	301.937	7.047.397	1.261.992	577.107	309.160	2.148.259	LT
LU	2.853.804	649.917	3.503.721	1.356.023	463.102	122.509	1.941.634	1.018.002	411.252	120.000	1.549.254	240.915	400.000	124.372	765.287	LU
HU	25.422.186	2.014.683	27.436.869	12.074.223	1.728.424	483.911	14.286.558	9.037.545	2.201.441	483.228	11.722.214	2.135.725	908.124	486.488	3.530.337	HU
МТ	3.068.269	669.038	3.737.307	1.455.683	461.227	122.014	2.038.924	1.093.716	413.296	120.000	1.627.012	258.481	400.000	123.542	782.023	MT
NL	37.113.100	2.814.482	39.927.582	17.761.315	2.444.852	684.558	20.890.725	13.289.249	3.075.381	675.129	17.039.759	3.138.657	1.268.514	679.683	5.086.854	NL
AT	22.796.147	1.742.126	24.538.273	10.890.899	1.494.594	418.445	12.803.938	8.141.816	1.981.267	434.899	10.557.982	1.927.158	790.955	423.719	3.141.832	AT
PL	75.479.859	6.302.547	81.782.406	36.194.829	5.366.516	1.502.624	43.063.969	26.942.570	6.817.556	1.496.637	35.256.763	6.394.266	2.860.037	1.517.264	10.771.567	PL
PT	28.411.274	2.231.239	30.642.513	13.518.863	1.901.850	532.465	15.953.178	10.165.603	2.404.402	527.780	13.097.785	2.399.941	991.849	531.339	3.923.129	PT
RO	42.325.803	3.332.753	45.658.556	20.227.973	2.836.805	794.305	23.859.083	15.106.766	3.799.567	834.025	19.740.358	3.575.486	1.531.868	815.394	5.922.748	RO
SI	11.156.112	997.825	12.153.937	5.294.454	834.209	220.682	6.349.345	3.971.790	1.063.703	232.294	5.267.787	938.491	436.947	227.538	1.602.976	SI
SK	17.807.905	1.421.898	19.229.803	8.457.612	1.219.866	340.977	10.018.455	6.333.473	1.553.706	341.047	8.228.226	1.496.903	640.925	343.348	2.481.176	SK
FI	19.356.686	1.504.642	20.861.328	9.246.921	1.262.593	353.492	10.863.006	6.911.630	1.652.116	362.649	8.926.395	1.635.723	690.757	370.043	2.696.523	FI
SE	23.124.098	1.965.732	25.089.830	11.210.625	1.696.570	457.135	13.364.330	8.416.648	2.160.870	474.322	11.051.840	1.987.845	891.388	477.522	3.356.755	SE
IS	3.379.874	682.839	4.062.713	1.602.308	474.561	125.541	2.202.410	1.204.952	489.175	120.000	1.814.127	284.610	400.000	127.063	811.673	IS
LI	851.429	590.846	1.442.275	405.498	400.000	120.000	925.498	303.285	400.000	120.000	823.285	71.880	400.000	120.000	591.880	LI
NO	14.052.040	1.260.651	15.312.691	6.811.996	1.123.738	297.274	8.233.008	5.153.347	1.448.449	316.316	6.918.112	1.213.769	592.045	308.304	2.114.118	NO
EU-30	988.749.175	79.791.649	1.068.540.824	474.851.369	67.597.845	18.757.194	561.206.408	355.658.680	86.480.972	19.075.290	461.214.942	84.108.508	36.614.956	19.071.460	139.794.924	EU-30
	-	-		-	-	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
TR	38.162.840	2.908.351	41.071.191	18.172.609	3.602.155	1.002.806	22.777.570	12.891.071	3.119.028	684.710	16.694.809	3.048.702	1.285.044	688.540	5.022.286	TR
МК	1.482.705	400.000	1.882.705	723.658	400.000	120.000	1.243.658	513.340	400.000	120.000	1.033.340	121.404	400.000	120.000	641.404	МК
RS	2.605.280	400.000	3.005.280	1.252.364	400.000	120.000	1.772.364	936.909	400.000	120.000	1.456.909	221.386	400.000	120.000	741.386	RS
EU-33	1.031.000.000	83.500.000	1.114.500.000	495.000.000	72.000.000	20.000.000	587.000.000	370.000.000	90.400.000	20.000.000	480.400.000	87.500.000	38.700.000	20.000.000	146.200.000	EU-33

Table 12: Country allocation - Youth budget line

				•	Youth allocations					
Country	KA1 Mobility projects	KA1 Youth participation	DiscoverEU inclusion action	Total KA1	KA2 Cooperation partnerships	KA2 Small-scale partnerships	Total KA2	Total KA1+KA2	DiscoverEU learning cycle	Country
BE	4.688.015	904.817	215.013	5.807.845	2.713.480	618.280	3.331.760	9.139.605	152.529	BE
BG	4.249.645	820.207	179.180	5.249.032	2.261.271	515.243	2.776.514	8.025.546	127.110	BG
cz	4.091.306	788.605	181.283	5.061.194	2.294.826	514.274	2.809.100	7.870.294	128.663	CZ
DK	2.851.600	550.380	133.090	3.535.070	1.679.586	382.703	2.062.289	5.597.359	94.412	DK
DE	19.777.839	3.752.147	760.093	24.290.079	9.777.180	2.162.200	11.939.380	36.229.459	539.502	DE
EE	2.572.214	496.454	119.384	3.188.052	1.506.635	343.295	1.849.930	5.037.982	84.690	EE
EL	3.836.857	727.910	173.040	4.737.807	2.212.643	487.365	2.700.008	7.437.815	122.194	EL
ES	12.093.734	2.294.358	523.039	14.911.131	6.655.950	1.487.865	8.143.815	23.054.946	368.565	ES
FR	13.050.695	2.475.914	644.890	16.171.499	8.295.311	1.834.486	10.129.797	26.301.296	457.735	FR
HR	2.912.777	562.184	128.074	3.603.035	1.616.304	368.283	1.984.587	5.587.622	90.855	HR
IE	2.921.413	563.107	139.179	3.623.699	1.756.450	400.216	2.156.666	5.780.365	98.733	IE
т	12.076.142	2.291.026	595.033	14.962.201	7.653.977	1.692.656	9.346.633	24.308.834	422.341	IT
CY	2.113.879	407.992	107.574	2.629.445	1.357.597	309.335	1.666.932	4.296.377	76.313	CY
LV	2.543.171	490.847	118.871	3.152.889	1.500.165	341.821	1.841.986	4.994.875	84.327	LV
LT	2.806.643	541.699	122.003	3.470.345	1.539.692	350.828	1.890.520	5.360.865	86.549	LT
LU	1.632.946	315.168	82.042	2.030.156	1.035.377	235.917	1.271.294	3.301.450	58.200	LU
HU	4.292.120	828.405	179.342	5.299.867	2.263.315	515.708	2.779.023	8.078.890	127.225	HU
МТ	1.679.980	324.247	74.391	2.078.618	938.823	213.916	1.152.739	3.231.357	52.773	МТ
NL	4.697.382	891.165	216.188	5.804.735	2.780.860	614.980	3.395.840	9.200.575	153.447	NL
AT	3.570.540	689.136	161.251	4.420.927	2.034.996	463.685	2.498.681	6.919.608	114.391	AT
PL	11.522.225	2.185.937	467.972	14.176.134	5.915.982	1.335.536	7.251.518	21.427.652	328.182	PL
PT	4.565.645	881.199	201.845	5.648.689	2.547.298	580.416	3.127.714	8.776.403	143.188	PT
RO	6.906.651	1.333.025	292.604	8.532.280	3.705.791	828.301	4.534.092	13.066.372	205.199	RO
SI	2.725.190	525.977	112.760	3.363.927	1.423.044	324.248	1.747.292	5.111.219	79.992	SI
SK	3.367.646	649.978	143.785	4.161.409	1.814.574	413.461	2.228.035	6.389.444	102.001	SK
FI	3.430.704	662.147	132.590	4.225.441	1.679.647	374.913	2.054.560	6.280.001	93.547	FI
SE	3.714.991	717.017	173.137	4.605.145	2.191.701	491.163	2.682.864	7.288.009	122.882	SE
IS	1.559.192	300.537	74.412	1.934.141	939.085	213.975	1.153.060	3.087.201	52.788	IS
LI	418.157	80.707	34.378	533.242	400.000	120.000	520.000	1.053.242	22.706	LI
NO	2.886.116	557.041	130.772	3.573.929	1.655.409	370.980	2.026.389	5.600.318	92.813	NO
EU-30	149.555.415	28.609.333	6.617.215	184.781.963	84.146.969	18.906.049	103.053.018	287.834.981	4.683.852	EU-30
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TR	6.785.629	1.287.334	300.195	8.373.158	5.053.031	853.951	5.906.982	14.280.140	270.736	TR
мк	416.347	18.444	41.295	476.086	400.000	120.000	520.000	996.086	22.706	МК
RS	442.609	84.889	41.295	568.793	400.000	120.000	520.000	1.088.793	22.706	RS
EU-33	157.200.000	30.000.000	7.000.000	194.200.000	90.000.000	20.000.000	110.000.000	304.200.000	5.000.000	EU-33

Table 13: Country allocation - Sport budget line

	Sport
Country	KA1
BE	212.574
BG	151.050
CZ	195.217
DK	128.285
DE	1.155.150
EE	70.382
E.	202.554
ES	726.944
FR	950.924
HR	106.808
IE	120.220
ІТ	856.240
CY	49.505
LV	78.165
LT	90.562
LU	34.386
HU	184.840
МТ	27.961
NL	284.706
AT	168.872
PL	577.348
PT	203.485
RO	323.817
SI	80.250
SK	125.778
FI	127.251
SE	190.528
IS	20.966
LI	15.000
NO	124.264
EU-30	7.584.032
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TR	306.688
MK	40.314
RS	68.966
EU-33	8.000.000

4. BREAKDOWN OF THE HEADING 6

Table 14: Heading 6 - breakdown by financial instrument

WPI	Actions	NDICI-Global Europe	IPA III	TOTAL Heading 6
	KEY ACTION (KA) 1: LEARNING MOB	LITY OF INDIVIDUALS		
1.05	Mobility project for Higher education students and staff from/to third countries not associated to the programme - Heading 6	161.050.485	36.224.802	197.275.287
1.12	Virtual Exchanges in Higher Education and Youth	5.310.347	955.791	6.266.138
	Sub-total KA1	166.360.832	37.180.593	203.541.425
	KEY ACTION (KA) 2: COOPERATION FOR INNOVATION A	ND THE EXCHANGE OF GO	OD PRACTICES	
2.11	Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters-Additional scholarships for targeted regions of the w orld - Heading 6	23.087.183	2.502.388	25.589.571
2.16	Capacity building in Higher Education – Heading 6	97.632.695	12.720.474	110.353.169
2.17	Capacity building in VET - Heading 6	19.087.748	8.028.496	27.116.244
5.14	Capacity building in the field of youth	3.892.736	3.030.495	6.923.231
6.05	Capacity building in the field of Sport	0	992.990	992.990
	Sub-total KA2	143.700.362	27.274.843	170.975.205
	KEY ACTION 3: Support to policy develo	pment and cooperation		
3.59	International Student and Alumni Netw ork Erasmus+	1.000.000	0	1.000.000
3.62	Meetings with grant-holders and other stakeholders	313.278	52.101	365.379
3.81		2.278.389	378.918	2.657.307
5.61	Selection and implementation	63.297	49.276	112.573
6.41		0	69.000	69.000
	Sub-total KA3	3.654.964	549.295	4.204.259
	Jean Monnet Acti	ons		
4.02	Jean Monnet Actions in the field of Higher Education: Modules, Chairs and Centres of Excellence	4.548.110	268.597	4.816.707
4.05	Jean Monnet policy debate	2.350.000	50.000	2.400.000
	Sub-total	6.898.110	318.597	7.216.707
7.1	Management fees of National Agencies	7.588.766	1.706.928	9.295.694
7.1	TOTAL	328.203.034	67.030.256	395.233.290

	KA1 Mobility projects H6			
Country	NDICI-Global Europe	IPA III	Total	
BE	4.788.557	1.077.081	5.865.638	
BG	2.961.284	666.078	3.627.362	
CZ	4.268.343	960.071	5.228.414	
DK	2.561.086	576.060	3.137.146	
DE	22.635.488	5.091.361	27.726.849	
EE	1.495.636	336.411	1.832.047	
EL	4.056.428	912.405	4.968.833	
ES	15.012.803	3.376.803	18.389.606	
FR	19.224.304	4.324.089	23.548.393	
HR	2.024.118	455.281	2.479.399	
IE	2.308.199	519.179	2.827.378	
п	17.196.363	3.867.948	21.064.311	
CY	770.123	173.222	943.345	
LV	1.781.528	400.716	2.182.244	
LT	2.255.260	507.272	2.762.532	
LU	445.787	100.270	546.057	
HU	3.971.150	893.224	4.864.374	
МТ	479.288	107.805	587.093	
NL	5.797.364	1.303.991	7.101.355	
AT	3.560.941	800.956	4.361.897	
PL	11.790.560	2.652.030	14.442.590	
PT	4.438.069	998.247	5.436.316	
RO	6.611.631	1.487.142	8.098.773	
SI	1.742.674	391.977	2.134.651	
SK	2.781.738	625.691	3.407.429	
FI	3.023.670	680.109	3.703.779	
SE	3.612.170	812.479	4.424.649	
IS	527.963	118.754	646.717	
LI	133.000	29.915	162.915	
NO	2.195.042	493.727	2.688.769	
EU-30	154.450.567	34.740.294	189.190.861	
TR	5.961.342	1.340.874	7.302.216	
МК	231.610	52.096	283.706	
RS	406.966	91.538	498.504	
EU-33	161.050.485	36.224.802	197.275.287	

5. FUNDS AIMED AT CO-FINANCING THE MANAGEMENT COSTS OF NATIONAL AGENCIES:

	Management Fees					
Country	H2	NDICI-Global Europe	IPA III	Total H6	Grand Total	Country
BE	4.135.677	225.639	50.753	276.392	4.412.069	BE
BG	2.454.565	139.537	31.386	170.923	2.625.488	BG
cz	3.661.329	201.126	45.239	246.365	3.907.694	CZ
DK	2.847.448	120.679	27.144	147.823	2.995.271	DK
DE	13.631.394	1.066.594	239.907	1.306.501	14.937.895	DE
EE	1.378.425	70.475	15.852	86.327	1.464.752	EE
EL	3.871.043	191.141	42.993	234.134	4.105.177	EL
ES	10.207.667	707.410	159.116	866.526	11.074.193	ES
FR	12.318.185	905.857	203.753	1.109.610	13.427.795	FR
HR	1.469.490	95.377	21.453	116.830	1.586.320	HR
IE	2.458.612	108.763	24.464	133.227	2.591.839	IE
ІТ	10.836.160	810.298	182.257	992.555	11.828.715	ІТ
CY	1.135.149	36.289	8.162	44.451	1.179.600	CY
LV	1.655.137	83.946	18.882	102.828	1.757.965	LV
LT	2.144.960	106.269	23.903	130.172	2.275.132	LT
LU	959.025	21.006	4.725	25.731	984.756	LU
HU	3.288.785	187.122	42.089	229.211	3.517.996	HU
МТ	928.040	22.584	5.080	27.664	955.704	МТ
NL	5.627.737	273.174	61.445	334.619	5.962.356	NL
AT	3.878.938	167.793	37.741	205.534	4.084.472	AT
PL	7.290.772	555.576	124.965	680.541	7.971.313	PL
РТ	3.965.656	209.124	47.038	256.162	4.221.818	PT
RO	5.404.450	311.543	70.075	381.618	5.786.068	RO
SI	1.593.750	82.116	18.470	100.586	1.694.336	SI
SK	2.376.539	131.077	29.483	160.560	2.537.099	SK
FI	3.325.320	142.477	32.047	174.524	3.499.844	FI
SE	3.985.316	170.207	38.284	208.491	4.193.807	SE
IS	1.241.865	24.878	5.596	30.474	1.272.339	IS
LI	535.905	6.267	1.410	7.677	543.582	LI
NO	2.681.854	103.431	23.265	126.696	2.808.550	NO
EU-30	121.289.193	7.277.775	1.636.977	8.914.752	130.203.945	EU-30
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TR	7.711.322	280.901	63.183	344.084	8.055.406	TR
МК	442.665	10.914	2.455	13.369	456.034	МК
RS	556.820	19.176	4.313	23.489	580.309	RS
EU-33	130.000.000	7.588.766	1.706.928	9.295.694	139.295.694	EU-33

Table 16: Management Fees (Heading 2 and Heading 6) – breakdown by country

6. FUNDS FOR THE ERASMUS+ TRAINING AND COOPERATION ACTIVITIES, NETWORKS AND BODIES

The following tables indicate the breakdown of the budget (per country or per structure) aimed at supporting the activities to be implemented by the networks of the Programme as well as by other national bodies supported under Erasmus+.

Table 17: Training and Cooperation Activities in the fields of Education and Training and Youth

	ТСА		
Country	E&T	Youth	
BE	525.925	631.617	
BG	386.373	526.357	
CZ	509.993	520.410	
DK	310.705	390.957	
DE	2.534.451	2.128.604	
EE	212.199	350.701	
EL	527.780	484.591	
ES	1.912.904	1.504.911	
FR	2.083.624	1.805.983	
HR	242.359	376.230	
IE	299.636	408.850	
ІТ	1.963.476	1.666.358	
CY	143.972	316.007	
LV	251.693	349.194	
LT	304.847	358.395	
LU	125.426	241.006	
HU	479.510	526.832	
МТ	125.003	218.530	
NL	665.516	605.425	
AT	420.860	473.687	
PL	1.498.052	1.350.836	
PT	528.636	592.936	
RO	805.567	846.169	
SI	231.651	331.242	
SK	338.390	422.379	
FI	361.485	369.952	
SE	467.146	492.810	
IS	131.471	218.591	
LI	115.899	57.297	
NO	301.256	369.638	
EU-30	18.805.805	18.936.495	
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TR	966.657	882.717	
МК	113.769	90.394	
RS	113.769	90.394	
EU-33	20.000.000	20.000.000	

<u>Table 18: Other Erasmus+ networks and national bodies (E&T and Youth) – breakdown by</u> <u>country</u>

	National Teams to support the implementation of EU VET tools	Implementing renewed priorities for the European Agenda for Adult Learning - National Coordinators for the implementation of the Agenda	Eurydice - network of National units	Eurodesk network
BE	95.892	304.443	444.000	90.832
BG	95.892	285.629	78.000	58.936
CZ	95.892	271.946	120.000	59.949
DK	95.892	133.408	170.000	64.378
DE	131.396	726.900	270.000	219.823
E	61.578	179.587	60.000	41.074
EL	95.892	319.836	142.000	77.221
ES	131.396	485.740	204.000	151.045
FR	131.396	581.520	172.000	205.706
HR	61.578	270.236	148.000	48.756
IE	95.892	271.946	170.000	63.305
п	131.396	624.279	222.000	162.325
CY	61.578	213.794	68.000	36.044
LV	61.578	234.318	100.000	37.417
LT	61.578	236.029	76.000	40.987
LU	61.578	147.090	118.000	39.797
HU	95.892	273.657	60.000	67.832
MT	61.578	218.925	74.000	32.388
NL	95.892	254.843	176.000	93.563
AT	95.892	234.318	170.000	69.056
PL	131.396	496.002	108.000	127.174
PT	95.892	265.105	152.000	78.277
RO	95.892	384.830	114.000	85.728
SI	61.578	191.560	126.000	42.968
SK	95.892	278.788	90.000	45.409
FI	95.892	148.801	166.000	63.401
SE	95.892	172.746	176.000	72.600
IS	61.578	85.518	172.000	37.234
LI	61.578	80.387	118.000	9.826
NO	95.892	206.953	170.000	64.170
TR	131.396	637.962	110.000	195.459
MK	61.578	167.444	64.000	8.660
RS	95.892	81.926	52.000	8.659
AL	0	57.126	54.000	0
BA	0	62.770	34.000	0
ME	0	44.640	70.000	0
Total	3.000.000	9.631.000	4.818.000	2.500.000

Table 19: SALTO Resource Centres – breakdown by structure

SALTO	Youth	E&T
SALTO Participation&Information	400.000	200.000
SALTO Inclusion&Diversity	437.500	250.000
SALTO Training&Cooperation	537.500	200.000
SALTO EuroMed	250.000	0
SALTO Eastern Europe and Caucasus	200.000	0
SALTO South East Europe	175.000	0
SALTO Digital dimension	100.000	250.000
SALTO Green dimension	100.000	250.000
TOTAL	2.200.000	1.150.000