

Erasmus+ Programme

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2014 - 2020 programme for Education,
Training, Youth, and Sport

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Erasmus+ is the European Union's programme in the fields of Education, Training, Youth and Sport for the period 2014-2020 which aims at boosting skills and employability within the youth field as well as modernising Education, Training and Youth systems.

There are the following Key Actions:

Key Action 1: Learning mobility of individuals and young people

It includes Youth Exchanges, European Voluntary Service (EVS) and Mobility of people active in the youth field (youth workers).



The **CREacting in EU** project

The project is implemented under this Action by the Greek Non-governmental organisation "The Good House"



<https://thegoodhouse.gr/>

Key Action 2: Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices which includes Strategic Partnerships in the field of youth

Key Action 3: Support for policy reform. This Action includes Structured Dialogue - Meetings between young people and decision-makers in the field of Youth

Regarding Youth sector, Erasmus + gives the opportunity to young people, informal groups, youth workers and youth organisations, respectively, to:

- travel abroad and participate in Youth Exchange projects, seminars and meetings in European level,
- collaborate with organizations based abroad and share good practices,
- support new and innovative approaches to education and youth field, and through exchanges and volunteering Projects to implement European Voluntary Service
- be part of the European Union, learn about its institutions, be active citizens, thereby improving their skills and key competences and their employment prospects,
- contribute to the improvement of the quality of youth work,
- reflect on the great topics concerning the daily life of the young generation,
- discover new cultures and reinforce the European citizen's identity.

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President Jean-Claude **Juncker** said: *"Every euro that we invest in Erasmus+ is an investment in the future — in the future of a young person and of our European idea. I cannot imagine anything more worthy of our investment than these leaders of tomorrow. As we celebrate the 9 millionth people to take part, let's make sure we are 9 times more ambitious with the future of the Erasmus+ programme."*

Tibor **Navracsics**, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport (he is coming to the end of his tenure following the European Parliament elections 2019) said: *"Just as each Erasmus+ exchange delivers an enriching life experience — both professionally and personally — 30 years of mobility and cooperation have given Europe an open-minded and entrepreneurial generation of 9 million people who are today shaping the future of our society. By putting Erasmus+ at their fingertips, the new App will bring Europe closer to young people all over the world."*

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/commissioners/2014-2019/navracsics_en

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<https://erasmusapp.eu>

For a programme that will support more than 4 million people to study, train and volunteer abroad between 2014 and 2020, the Erasmus+ Mobile App represents an important improvement.

It will guide students, vocational learners and young people throughout their Erasmus+ experience. This will help to make the programme more inclusive and accessible to all. The Commission is strongly committed to building the future of Erasmus+ beyond 2020 together with the Erasmus+ generation to strengthen the programme and ensure that it reaches out to an even wider range of young people.

The Erasmus+ Mobile App will allow participants to:

- **Easily track their progress** in the different administrative steps before, during and after their stay abroad. Through the app, students will also be able to agree and sign their study agreements online with both sending and receiving universities;
- **Share and vote** for their preferred tips to help others integrate into the local community; and
- **Improve their language skills** via a direct link to the [Erasmus+ Online Linguistic Support platform](#), offering online tutored courses and interactive live mentoring.

The first version of the app is available for both iOS and Android. New features and constant updates will soon extend it to other groups of Erasmus+ participants and make sure the app also covers the future needs of the Erasmus+ generation.

Since the beginning of the original Erasmus Programme in 1987, 9 million people have benefited from an exchange abroad. The 2017's celebration in Strasbourg the Presidents of the European Parliament and Commission handed over a 30th anniversary **symbolic award for the "9 millionth participant"** to 33 representatives of the Erasmus+ generation, one from each of the participating European countries. The award ceremony was followed by debates on the future of the Erasmus+ programme after 2020, involving young people, Erasmus+ participants and organisations, NGOs, Members of the European Parliament, and current and former Members of the European Commission – including those who contributed to the creation of the original Erasmus Programme.

Background

Since its launch in 1987 – with the participation of 11 countries and 3,200 students – Erasmus and its successor programmes have given 9 million people the chance to study, train, volunteer or gain professional experience abroad.

In 2014, the **Erasmus+ Programme** was created, integrating all the initiatives in the fields of education, training, youth and sport, in a single EU framework. With 33 European countries currently participating in the programme (all 28 EU Member States plus Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein), more than 2 million people have benefited from an Erasmus+ experience in less than three years. To involve the Erasmus+ generation in shaping the future of the programme, the Commission has launched the [Erasmus+ Generation Online Meeting Point](#). This website offers young people and organisations the opportunity to engage in debates with youth, education and training experts, propose topics, identify problems, and put forward solutions. The new app complements these efforts.

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