

# Erasmus+

UK education, training, youth and sport opportunities across Europe

## Key Action 1 for Schools & LAs

## An overview of funding opportunities



## Objectives:

- Outline of Erasmus+ programme
- Key features of Key Action 1
- Next steps



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Webex  
features:

chat, microphone  
etc...



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The new EU programme for education, training, youth and sport



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## Overall objectives of Erasmus+

- Boost skills and employability
- Modernise education, training and youth work
- Focus on young people

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## Key facts about Erasmus+

- Cross-sectoral structure based on 'Key Actions'
- Worth €940m to UK over seven years
- Replaces Lifelong Learning Programme, Youth in Action and other EU programmes

Jean Monnet

Tempus

Youth in Action

Erasmus Mundus

# Lifelong Learning Programme

Comenius

Leonardo

Erasmus

Grundtvig

Transversal

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**Jean Monnet Activities**

**Key Action 1:**  
Learning  
Mobility of  
Individuals

**Key Action 2:**  
Co-operation for  
Innovation and  
Exchange of  
Good Practices

**Key Action 3:**  
Support for  
Policy Reform

**Sport**

*The new programme is for organisations across all sectors actively involved in delivering formal and non-formal education and training, youth and sport activities.*

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## Schools Priorities

- Improving the attainment of young people, particularly those at risk of early school leaving (ESL)
- Improving the attainment of young people with low basic skills in Maths, Science and Literacy
- Developing high quality and accessible Early Childhood Education and Care services
- Revising and strengthening the professional profile of the teaching professions



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## Key Actions

- Key Action 1: Learning Mobility of Individuals
- Key Action 2: Co-operation for Innovation and Exchange of Good Practices
- Key Action 3: Support for Policy Reform

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## Key Action 3

- Meetings between decision-makers and young people in the field of youth
- Funding for structured dialogue to support policy making

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## Key Action 2 Strategic Partnerships

- Open to Higher Education, Vocational Education and Training, **schools**, adult education and youth
- Funding for development, transfer and/or implementation of innovative practices (including mobility for staff **and** pupils in schools)
- Partnership size and type flexible
- Minimum of two partners from two countries (for schools only or LA only partnerships) otherwise minimum of three
- Partnerships will last 2 or 3 years
- First application deadline **30 April 2014**

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## Key Action 1

- Open to Higher Education, Vocational Education and Training, **schools**, adult education and youth
- Funding for study, work experience, job shadowing, training and teaching

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## Programme countries

### Member States of the European Union (EU)<sup>1</sup>

Austria	Estonia	Italy	Portugal
Belgium	Finland	Latvia	Romania
Bulgaria	France	Lithuania	Slovak Republic
Croatia	Germany	Luxembourg	Slovenia
Cyprus	Greece	Malta	Spain
Czech Republic	Hungary	Netherlands	Sweden
Denmark	Ireland	Poland	United Kingdom

### Non-EU Programme Countries

Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Norway
Iceland	Switzerland
Liechtenstein	Turkey

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## Key Action 1 for schools

- No individual applications, organisations only
- First application deadline **17 March 2014**

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## Key Action 1 for schools

- Applications are project-based
- Will involve staff mobility – as many as you like
- LAs will *not* be able to apply
- Projects can last 1 or 2 years

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Key Action 1 for schools supports learning mobility of staff that:

- Is framed within a *European Development Plan* aimed at modernising and internationalising
- Is well prepared
- Has recognised outcomes
- Disseminates results



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## European Development Plan (E.D.P.)

- The needs of the school in terms of quality development and internationalisation
- How the planned activities will contribute to meeting these needs
- The impact expected on pupils, teachers and other staff, and on the school overall
- How schools will integrate the competences and experiences acquired by their staff into their curriculum and/or the school development plan
- How eTwinning is going to be used in connection with the planned mobility activities, if relevant

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## eTwinning- what is it?

- School collaboration and school networking in Europe through the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)
- <http://www.etwinning.net>



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eTwinning allows you to:

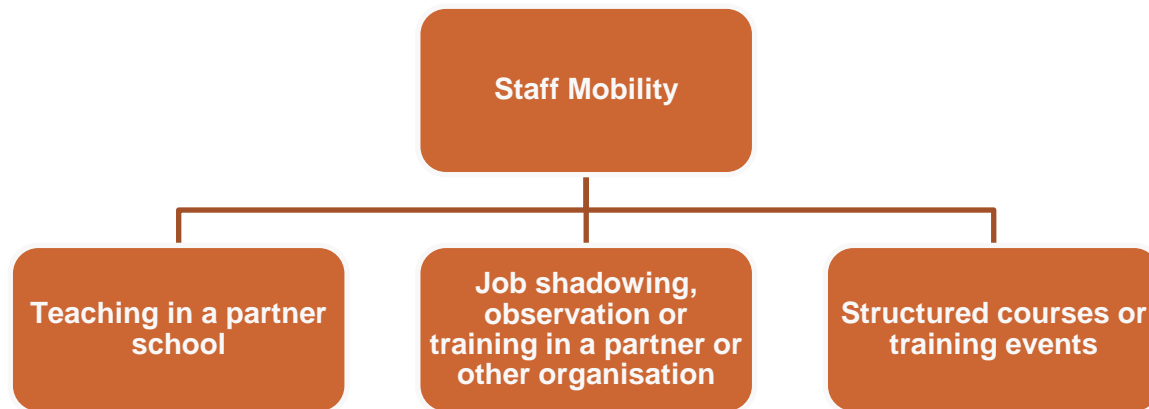
- Find potential partners/receiving organisations abroad
- Use project tools
- Participate in online learning events
- Cooperate intensively among all schools during and after the staff mobility project



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## Key Action 1 for schools: Types of mobility activity



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## Structured courses

- Can be in any field, but should be justified by E.D.P.
- Must take place in one of the programme countries
- Should last between 2 days and 2 months
- Do *not* need to be identified at application stage

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## Job shadowing

- Opportunity to shadow a colleague in a partner school
- Partner(s) should be identified at application stage
- Can be between 2 days and 2 months

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## Teaching in a partner school

- Teachers or other school education staff can be funded to teach at a partner school abroad
- Up to two months placements possible
- Differs from job-shadowing in that partners will not be observed

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## Activity plans

- The expectation is that a school will have a suite of mobility activities over the lifecycle of the project
- Can involve any school staff, in any numbers, any combination of mobility activity type, to any programme country ...



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## Funding

- Unit costs – so set rates per day per participant
- Funding for:
  - Travel
  - Individual support (subsistence)
  - Organisational support
  - Course fees
  - Special needs

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## General info

- Call for Proposals and Programme guide released in December 2013
- [http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index_en.htm)
- Applications not yet open but pdf forms available on above pages so that organisations can familiarise themselves
- Applications will be online – expected to open at end of January

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## ECAS and PICs

- Before being able to apply for Erasmus+ funding:
- Register your organisation on the [European Commission Authentication Service \(ECAS\)](#), if not already registered. For guidance on registration, see our [How to Register on ECAS](#) video and guide
- Log in to the [Participant Portal](#) with your ECAS account details and register your organisation on the [Unique Registration Facility \(URF\)](#) to obtain your unique Participant Identification Code (PIC), if not already registered. The European Commission has produced a [Participant Portal User Manual](#) to help guide you through the process of registering on the portal.

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## Finding out more

- All key information being added to UK website, [www.erasmusplus.org.uk](http://www.erasmusplus.org.uk) (UK website) – **this is the best way** of getting information about the programme
- Lots of information including Call for Proposals and Programme Guide on EC site [http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index_en.htm)
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