



# **National Agency Erasmus+ Eduacation**

OeAD - GmbH

# Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education

Cooperation opportunities KA 2



# Former programmes



- TEMPUS
- ALFA
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- ASIA LINK
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# **Objectives**

- Improve the quality of higher education and enhance its relevance for the labour market and society
- Improve the level of competences and skills in HEIs by developing new and innovative education programmes
- Enhance the management, governance and innovation capacities, as well as the internationalisation of HEIs
- Increase the capacities of national authorities to modernise their higher education systems, by supporting to the definition, implementation and monitoring of reform policies
- Foster regional integration and cooperation across different regions of the world through joint initiatives, sharing of good practices and cooperation





## **Eligible Countries**

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- 33 Programme Countries: EU28, FL, IS, NO, MK, TR
- About 150 Partner Countries:
  - Region 1: Western Balkans
  - Region 2: Eastern Partnership countries (UA: please contact the NEO)
  - Region 3: South-Mediterranean countries (LY and SY just as partners!)
  - Region 4: Territory of Russia (only as partner + need of a 2<sup>nd</sup> Partner Country!)
  - Region 6: Asia (not the industrialised countries!)
  - Region 7: Central Asia
  - Region 8: Latin America
  - Region 9: Middle East
  - Region 10: South Africa
  - Region 11: ACP countries



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#### **Priorities**

- IMPORTANT: project idea → national/regional priorities of the Partner Countries → if not: NO funding
- 4 Categories of national/regional priorities:
  - A: Subject areas (for Curriculum Development)
  - B: Improving quality of education and teaching (always!)
  - C: Improving management and operation of HEI
  - D: Developing the Higher Education sector within society at large
- List of the priorities is on the webpage of the EACEA



## **Project Types**

- Joint Projects (JP): focus on the institutional level in the HE
  - modernisation of curriculum by developing new and innovative courses and methodologies (A&B)
  - modernisation of governance, management and functioning of higher education (B&C)
  - strengthening of relations between higher education and the wider economic and social environment (B&D)
- Structural Projects (SP): focus on the level of the HE systems
  - modernisation of governance, management and functioning of higher education (B&C)
  - strengthening of relations between higher education and the wider economic and social environment (B&D)
  - relevant ministry of each targeted Partner Country must be involved



# Additional mobility is possible ...

- for projects with the Western Balkans, the Eastern Partnership countries and the South-Mediterranean countries
- for students and staff à la International Credit Mobility (KA1)
- has to be part of the project but additional budget
- between Partner Countries and between Programme and Partner Countries
- mobility has to have an added value and an innovative character
- project targets must still be reachable without these mobilities!



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#### Consortium

- at least 3 HEIs from 3 different Programme Countries
- HEI from Partner Countries ≥ HEI from Programme Countries!!!
  - but at least 2 HEI from each Partner Country (exceptions!)
- Latin America: at least 2 LA Countries have to be involved
- Russia: additional Partner Country is needed
- Structural Projects: relevant authority of each targeted Partner
   Country has to be part of the project
- positive for the project: invite companies & businesses, NGOs, students associations, ...



# **Duration & Budget**

- Duration: 2 or 3 years
- Budget:
  - € 500.000 € 1 Mio. € for the project
  - additional budget for mobilities for Region 1-3, if relevant (see above)



# **Eligible Costs**

Staff costs (max. 40%) Unit costs	manager; researcher/teacher/trainer; technician; administrative staff
Travel costs Unit costs	travel to the countries involved
Costs of stay Unit costs	costs of subsistence, accommodation health insurance,
Equipement (max. 30%) Real costs	for HEIs in Partner Countries only
Sub-contracting (max. 10%) Real costs	for competencies which cannot be covered by the consortium, e.g. financial audit, external QA



#### **Award Criteria**

- Relevance of the project (max. 30 points → at least 15 points needed)
- Quality of the project design and implementation (max. 30 points)
- Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements (max. 20 points)
- Impact and sustainability (max. 20 points)
- for funding: min. 60 points needed
- Additional mobility (Reion 1-3): Quality of the design and implementation of the Special Mobility Action (max. 10 Punkte → at least 5 points needed)



# Reasons for ineligible projects:

- minimum number of HEIs required not respected for the project
- missing Ministries for higher education in Structural Project
- wrong / missing mandates related to partners; applicants contacted for correction and no reply received
- applicant not having the profile required for eligible organisations
- incomplete applications



#### **Deadline & Execution**

#### Deadline:

- 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017, 12.00 CET to the EACEA in Brussels
- max. 3 projects for each call from the same coordinating HEI can be funded
- start of the projects: 15th October 2017

#### Execution:

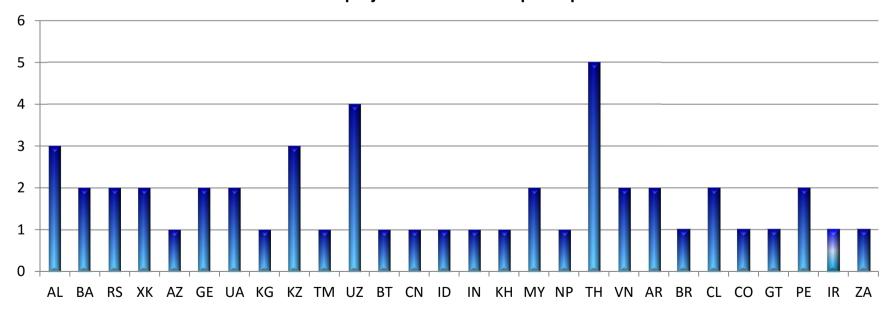
- centralised action EACEA in Brussels is responsible
- NA in Programme Countries are supporting
- NEOs in the ex-TEMPUS Countries are supporting and monitoring



#### **Austrian success 2015:**

- In total: 515 applications  $\rightarrow$  452 eligible projects  $\rightarrow$  140 selected projects
- **AT-participation in 24 projects** (9 x coordinator, 15 x partner)

#### Partner Countries in projects with Austrian participation

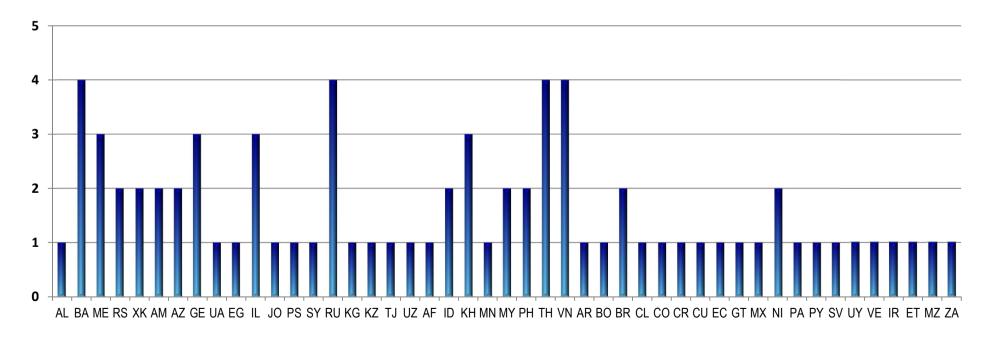




#### **Austrian success 2016:**

- In total: 736 applications → 653 eligible projects → 147 selected projects
- AT-participation in 28 projects (4 x coordinator, 14 x partner)

#### Partner Countries in projects with Austrian participation





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