# EMJMDs: JOINT PARTNERS VIA PRODEJIP

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#### ProDeJIP What is it?

- Pro De JIP = The Association for the Promotion and Development of Joint International Programmes in Higher Education
- Erasmus Mundus started in 2004
- competing attempts by the pioneering EM Coordinators to start an association 'to coordinate the coordinators'
- unfortunately no result for many years
- the end result finally was ProDeJIP founded in 2013

# An independent non-profit association

- ProDeJIP: result of the EM A3 Project EM-iDEA
- EM-iDEA received a valuable grant from the EC
- A 3 years project: 2010-2013
- To be clear: since 2013 ProDeJIP receives no support from the EC; we need to ask membership fees
- ProDeJIP: independent non-profit association

#### A network of experts

- A network of experts: experts in Erasmus Mundus and/or in JIP's
- Members can be consortia / JIPs / EMJMs / HEIs / associations and individuals
- An association with active members, space for initiatives and a bottom-up approach
- It is not discipline based
- It is not geographically focused
- It is not restricted to EMJMs and/or to the EU
- The focus is on EMJMs and on JIPs more in general

#### Objectives (1)

- To consolidate the legacy of >15 years of experience gained via the Erasmus Mundus project
- To guide and to assist those willing to set up a Joint International Programme, those willing to become an EMJM, as well as after the start to assist on their way to a sustainable future, and even in the post-EMJM-era
- The ways to share knowledge and experience are diverse: by individual consulting, by reviewing documents, by trainings, by (online and/or in person) meetings and/or conferences
- To facilitate networking, and the exchange of knowledge and best practices between colleagues and experts

## Objectives (2)

- ProDeJIP wants to contribute to the internationalisation of higher education and HEIs
- In this we want to take into account all different relevant aspects of higher education, for instance the accreditation via the 'European Approach for QA of JPs', awarding Joint Degrees, the most adequate methods of education, the link with the labour market, the importance of the 'service to society'
- ProDeJIP was and might still be a collective voice for the coordinators of Joint International Programmes, and for the EMJMD Coordinators, at the EU level

#### **ProDeJIP Conferences**

- Bordeaux July 2013 (founding conference ProDeJIP)
  The ProDeJIP Conferences since then:
- Rome June 2015
- Leiden February 2016
- Brussels October 2018
- Aim was to have a Conference in 2020

Due to personal issues and to Covid-19 we were not able to organise another meeting in person

A Green Future: meetings more online and less in person?!

However, ProDeJIP continued and continuess to be active....

#### Main Activities

Members of the ProDeJIP Executive Committee are:

- Active in their own JIP / EMJM, and as an expert in other JIPs / EMJMs
- Active at several conferences and events on European higher education: to gather information, to provide expertise, and to raise the voice of the JIPs and/or EMJMDs as well
- Providing individual consultancy (on request), providing information to a broader audience (by the website and/or by other meetings)
- Cooperation with the EC / EM Agency EACEA, with the European Consortium for Accreditation in Higher Education (ECA), with the EM students and alumni in EMA, and so on

#### **Collaboration with EMACT**

Members of the ProDeJIP Executive Committee are:

- Very willing to cooperate with the newly established EMACT association
- We have more or less the same objectives
- We are open to the EMJMs as well
- We know some active members in each others associations
- For the moment, it seems we are less focussed to organise conferences of our own, and more active in other ways
- We cooperate already, for instance in supporting and discussing recently a letter sent to national ministries on several EMJM issues

#### Our request

As the idea is that 'jointness' will make us stronger:

- We invite you to join us and to take part in our activities
- We need some new active members, in the Executive Committee as well
- Membership is open for EMJMs, JIPs, Consortia, HEIs, other organisations and for individuals
- Membership implies a limited annual fee (we will have to rethink our fee)
- For those being interested, please email me: schreuders@law.eur.nl

# INFO & CONTACT

## WEBSITE: WWW.PRODEJIP.COM (to be updated)



