Eligibility, Selection and Award Criteria

Lot 1 Alliances for Education and Enterprises

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Admissibility criteria

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Admissibility Criteria (Lot 1 and Lot 2)

✓ Applications must be submitted no later than the deadline as indicated in the call.

✓ The applications must be readable and accessible

✓ Applications must be complete containing all parts and mandatory annexes.

✓ Only clerical errors can be corrected after the submission deadline upon request of the Agency

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Eligibility Criteria

- Role of participating organisations

- Who can apply/participate

- Types of organisations

- Number and profile of participating organisations

- Duration of the project

- Where to apply?

- Deadline

What is the role of participating organisations*

- **Applicants (beneficiaries and their possible affiliated entities)** (compulsory) - 1 participating organisation submits the project proposal on behalf of all other partners.

- **Beneficiaries** (compulsory) participating organisations which contribute actively to the accomplishment of the Innovation Alliance.

- **Affiliated entities** (optional): organisations which contribute to the achievement of project objectives and activities. They are not counted for the in the minimum number of partners and partnership composition. *They are receiving a grant and are listed in the financial table (budget). One beneficiary+its affiliated entity = 1 full partner.*

- **Associated partners** (optional): organisations which contribute to the activities of the Innovation Alliance. They are not considered as beneficiaries and therefore not counted for in the minimum number of partners and partnership composition. *They are not receiving a grant and are not listed in the financial table (budget).*

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Who can apply/participate in the Alliances?

APPLICANT	PARTICIPANT
EU MEMBER STATES AND THIRD COUNTRIES ASSOCIATED TO THE PROGRAMME: EU Member states (27) **+** Iceland Liechtenstein Norway Republic of North Macedonia Republic of Serbia Republic of Türkiye	**EU MEMBER STATES AND THIRD COUNTRIES ASSOCIATED TO THE PROGRAMME** **+** **THIRD COUNTRIES NOT ASSOCIATED TO THE PROGRAMME** (see section eligible countries in Part A of the E+ Programme guide)

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What types of organisations can participate?

For LOT 1 and LOT 2

- Higher education institutions
- VET providers
- Networks of VET providers
- Small and medium-sized or large enterprises (including social enterprises)
- Research institutes
- Non-governmental organisations
- Public bodies at local, regional or national level
- Organisations active in education, training and youth
- Intermediaries that represent education, training or youth organisations or enterprises
- Accreditation, certification, recognition or qualification bodies
- Chambers of commerce, industry or labour, chambers of skilled crafts
- European or national social partners
- Hospitals or other care institutions, including long-term care
- Authorities responsible for education, training or employment at regional or national level
- Employment services
- National statistics offices
- Economic development agencies
- Sectoral or professional associations
- Sector skills councils
- Bodies providing career guidance, professional counselling, information services and employment services

HE institutions established in a EU MS AND 3RD Country associated to the Programme must hold a valid ECHE

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Erasmus Charter for Higher Education

- https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/erasmus-charter-for-higher-education

Erasmus Charter for Higher Education

About the Charter

The Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) provides the general quality framework for European and international cooperation activities a higher education institution may carry out within Erasmus+.

The award of an ECHE is a pre-requisite for all higher education institutions located in a programme country and willing to participate in learning mobility of individuals and/or cooperation for innovation and good practices under Erasmus+.

For higher education institutions located in Partner countries, the ECHE is not required and the quality framework will be established through inter-institutional agreements between higher education institutions.

How is ECHE awarded?

A call for proposals for the award of an ECHE is held on yearly basis.

You can download the latest list of higher education institutions holding an ECHE.

The ECHE is awarded for the full duration of the Erasmus+ programme up to 2027, with an extended validity date for those projects that start in the final year of the Programme, and may last up to three years (e.g. up to 2030).

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Number and profile of participating organisations
LOT 1 (minimum requirements)

4 **EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme**	**8** **Applicants (coordinator and full partners)**
3 **labour market actors**	**3** **education and training providers** → **at least 1 HE institution** / **at least 1 VET provider**

Eligibility Criteria and Funding Rules for Lot 1

Duration

LOT 1 – **2** years

LOT 1 – **3** years

MAX EU grant

LOT 1 – **1** million €

LOT 1 – **1,5** million

Where to apply

Funding and Tenders opportunities portal

Call ID lot1:
ERASMUS-EDU-2024-PI-ALL-INNO-EDU-ENTERP

Deadline

Visit: Funding and Tenders opportunities portal

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Exclusion criteria

- Exclusion situations linked to legal issues

Fields to **tick in application form + declaration on honour** if selected

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Selection criteria

OPERATIONAL CAPACITY *Appropriate professional competencies and qualifications*	**FINANCIAL CAPACITY** *Stable and sufficient sources of funding*
Insert in **Part B of application form (120 pages)**: • Description of relevant skills and experience of project staff (**no need to upload CVs**) • List of previous and running projects	Provide **upon request** and upload in Funding and Tender Opportunities portal: • Profit and loss account • Balance sheet • Other documents if requested

Does not apply to public organisations

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Award Criteria

- Scoring system

- All 4 award criteria

Scoring system and **Award Criteria**

Criteria	Maximum points	Minimum pass points
Relevance of the project	25	13
Quality of the project design and implementation	30	16
Quality of the partnership and the cooperation arrangements	25	13
Impact	20	11

Total score: Maximum 100 points
To be considered for funding:
1. **Minimum total score 70 points AND**
2. **Minimum pass points per criterion**

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Award criteria

Equal quality of applications

The ex aequo proposals within the <u>same topic</u> will be prioritised according to the scores they have been awarded for the award criterion "**Relevance**". When these scores are equal, priority will be based on their scores for the criterion '**quality of the project design and implementation**'. When these scores are equal, priority will be based on their scores for the criterion '**Impact**'.

1) Relevance

- Link to EU policy and initiatives
- Purpose
- EU values
- Consistency
- Digital skills
- Green skills
- Resilience skills
- Deep tech skills
- Innovation
- European added value
- Education & training representation

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2) Quality of the project design and implementation

- Coherence: Consistency between activities and results

- Structure: Quality of the work programme (and its phasing)

- Methodology: use of the EU tools and skills when relevant

- Management

- Work Plan

- Quality of arrangements for the recognition and validation of qualifications

- Budget: Cost-effectiveness and allocation of appropriate resources

- Financial and Quality control: measures to ensure that the project implementation is of high quality
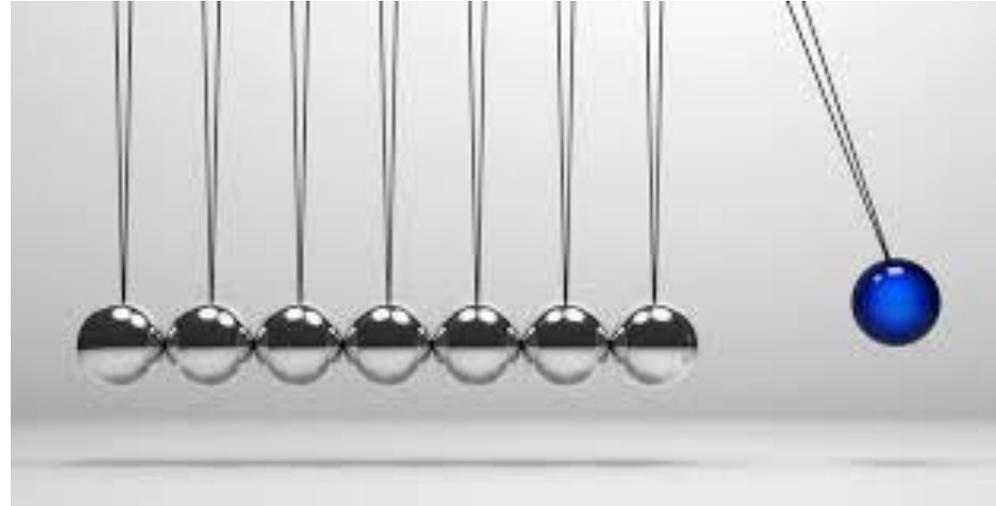
3) Quality of the partnership and the cooperation arrangements

- Configuration: composition in line with objectives

- Commitment: complementary contributions

- Involvement of Third Countries not associated to the Programme: **added value?**

- Tasks

- Collaboration/Team spirit

- Reward

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4) Impact, dissemination and sustainability

- Exploitation

- Impact

- Dissemination

- Open access

- Sustainability

Thank you

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