EU-Africa Partnership in the field of Education and Skills

New Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme 2022-2027 13 March 2023

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FRAMEWORK

- The Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument Global Europe is
 the main financing tool of the EU's international cooperation for the period 2021-2027. EUR 28
 billion for Africa, both Sub-Saharan and North Africa
- The Africa-EU Partnership is the formal political channel for the EU's relations with Africa.
- At the last Summit held in Brussels on 17 and 18 February 2022, a <u>Joint Vision for 2030</u> was adopted, with four deliverables at its heart: (i) <u>Global Gateway Africa-Europe Investment</u>
 <u>Package</u> with EUR 150 billion worth of grants and investment supported by the EU budget, (ii) a renewed and enhanced cooperation for peace and security and (iii) on migration and mobility; (iv) a commitment to multilateralism.





Thematic areas of the Africa-EU Global Gateway Investment Package

A. Accelerating the Green Transition



Sustainable energy



Biodiversity, land, water, oceans & forests



Agri-food systems



Climate resilience & disaster risk reduction

B. Accelerating the Digital Transition



Digital transition

C. Accelerating growth and jobs



Transport



Private sector, entrepreneurship & MSMEs



African economic integration & diversification



Sustainable finance for sustainable transitions



Science, technology & innovation

D. Accelerating Human Development



Health: access to vaccines, medicines & health technology products



Quality education and skills





EU-AU Summit outcomes on education and skills

Progressing to a **knowledge-based economy** and putting **skilled human capital** at the heart of **Africa's agenda** is essential for building the continent's strategic autonomy, strength and resilience to address major challenges

- Encourage exchanges and develop partnerships between universities;
- Boost human development, notably through scaling up mobility and employability;
- Invest in inclusive and equitable quality education;
- Promote opportunity oriented technical and professional Vocational Education and Training, including at regional level.





Opportunities for higher education



 Green and digital transitions require future-proof education, research and innovation, in close cooperation with the related industries and stakeholders and significant disparities across Africa must be overcome;



 Partnerships for skills and an effective and relevant skills development offer to meet emerging needs and shape a modern agenda that is smart, green, comprehensive, inclusive and driven by values.



• Excellent education, research and innovation environments are an enabler for developing highlevel skills, creating breakthrough knowledge and translating it into practical applications. The potential of universities needs to be put at work to tackle related societal challenges

Support an acceleration of Africa's transition to an innovation-led, scientific knowledge-based economy, to the benefit of sustainable development and socio-economic transformation







HOW

Increased overall funding for education to over EUR 6 billion for 2021-27 – the bulk of the EU's investment will be in Africa;

Initiatives and programmes at country level: 43 countries from the five regions

Flagship initiatives at **regional** level are in the process of development:

- The Regional Teacher Programme for Africa (EU: EUR 100 million);
- Opportunity driven skills and VET in Africa (EU: at least EUR 500 million);



- Youth Mobility for Africa (EU: EUR 970 million) will promote youth exchanges and mobility between Africa and Europe;
- Global Partnership for Education (Team Europe: EUR 1.7 billion)

Support Africa in finding adapted solutions, also at **continental** level. An **integrated continental approach to transformative education and training systems**.



YOUTH MOBILITY for AFRICA Flagship initiative

Objectives



To promote inclusive learning opportunities for young Africans through exchanges and target scholarships



To support **regional and continental harmonization mechanisms** as a way to strengthen African integration



To foster quality and attractiveness of African higher education systems as a destination of choice



To **empower African youth** for sustainable employability and active citizenship

Expected Results



Improved **coordination** and synergies among the programmes

Reinforced **cooperation**between the EU, Member States
and African partner countries to
boost skills and qualifications,
with a view to support <u>labour</u>
mobility





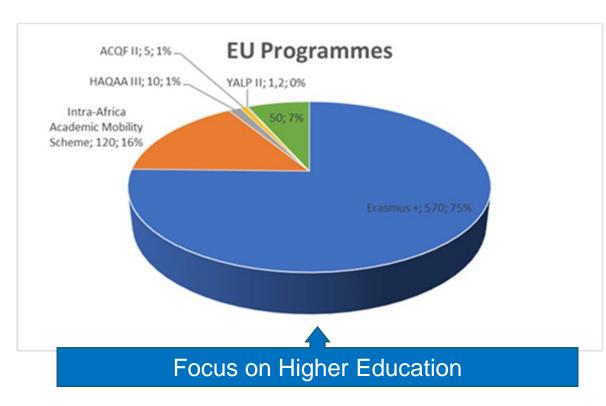
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Programmes

- Erasmus + (Capacity Building for Higher Education Institutions, International Credit Mobility, Capacity Building for VET, Alumni, Jean Monnet, Erasmus National Focal Points, Virtual Exchanges)
- Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme V
- Harmonization of African Higher Education Quality
 Assurance and Accreditation HAQAA III
- African Continental Qualifications Framework ACQF II
- Young African Leaders Programme YALP II
- Africa-Europe Youth Academy (under preparation)



Budget distribution (756 MEUR)









Thank you for your attention



