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Fostering access to cooperation in Higher Education

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What is CBHE?

CBHE supports the **modernisation and development of HEIs** and **educational systems** in the Third Countries not associated to the E+ programme.
Which opportunities are offered by CBHE projects?

Opportunities for individuals:
people-to-people contacts, intercultural awareness, improvement of the level of competences and skills of Academic/Administrative staff and Students

Opportunities for higher education institutions
Curriculum Development Projects
Modernisation of governance, management and functioning of HEIs
Link with the wider economic and social environment
Technological upgrade: new equipment

Impact at the level of the higher education systems
Which opportunities are offered by CBHE projects?

CBHE projects promote Regional and Cross-regional cooperation

CBHE projects encourage a “two-way” transfer of knowledge & know-how and are a key driving force towards the development of Third Countries

CBHE Projects are a key element in order to foster Internationalisation of the HEIs
Main focus

Focus on the needs of the third countries not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme

Targeting the priorities of the third countries not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme and matching them with the EU priorities for these countries

Maximising benefit to third countries not associated to the Erasmus+ Programme
Current context (1)

- Supports the relevance, quality, modernisation and responsiveness of Higher Education Institutions for socio-economic recovery, growth and prosperity.

- Reacts to recent trends, in particular economic globalisation, but also the recent decline in human development, fragility, and rising social, economic and environmental inequalities exacerbated by the COVID-19 crisis.

- Aligned with the ’Sustainable Development Goals’ (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement.
Current Context (2)

- Ensures **equity, accessibility** and **inclusion**, system strengthening and **capacity building**, as well as **employability** transversally across the action.

- **Global interventions** that take into account governance, management and the **strengthening of higher education’s wider economic and social ecosystems**.

- Addresses **regional issues**, build alliances and coalitions, pilot new approaches and initiatives built on **country ownership**.
## Three types of CBHE projects

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At least 2 HEIs from two countries associated to Erasmus+ (EU Member States and other Programme countries)
## Three Strands

| Strand 1 - Fostering access to cooperation in higher education | • Newcomers, less experienced HEIs  
• Start cooperation/internationalization  
• Small size activities |
| --- | --- |
| 24 or 36 months  
200,000-400,000 Euro | |

| Strand 2 - Partnerships for transformation | • Experienced - HEIs, industrial and public actors  
• Innovation - Business involvement  
• Curriculum development, Improving governance and management |
| --- | --- |
| 24 or 36 months  
400,000-800,000 Euro | |

| Strand 3 - Structural reform projects | • Responsible authorities HE  
• Foster national ownership  
• Efficient and effective policy making |
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| 36 or 48 months  
800,000-1,000,000 Euro | |
CBHE for Newcomers

Strand 1: Main features
Strand 1. Fostering access to cooperation in Higher Education

Facilitate access to newcomers.

First step for participating organisations to enhance and increase means to reach out to people with fewer opportunities.

Reduce the internationalisation gap of HEIs from the same country/region.

Fostering social inclusion.
Strand 1. Fostering access to cooperation in Higher Education

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1. Enhancing the management/administrative capacity

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<td>Reforming and modernising</td>
<td>reforming and modernising the university governance, including the enhancement of services in particular for the benefit of students (student guidance, counselling and job orientation etc.);</td>
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<td>International Relation Offices</td>
<td>establishing or strengthening international relations offices and elaborating internationalisation strategies;</td>
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<td>Quality Assurance</td>
<td>establishing new or developing existing quality assurance units and processes/strategy within HEIs;</td>
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<td>Capacity</td>
<td>creating or increasing the capacity of planning and evaluation units;</td>
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<td>Mobility</td>
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2. Ensure high quality and relevant education

- modules or **study programmes**, technical or professional orientations of programmes
- establishing **intensive study programmes** bringing together students and teaching staff from participating HEIs for shorter study periods
- developing capacities for **postgraduate student and academic staff** as well as promoting postgraduate students and/or staff mobility;
- implementing **training courses for HEI staff**.
3. Increasing the accessibility of individuals with fewer opportunities

- developing remote and inclusive learning pathways by relying on digital technology and e-learning for vulnerable students;
- updating the digital technology to develop specific services aiming at ensuring equal and fair learning opportunities to students with disabilities;
- promoting initiatives aiming at positive discrimination by empowering women and ethnic/religious minorities;
- develop initiatives addressing and reducing barriers faced by disadvantaged groups in accessing learning opportunities;
- contributing to creating inclusive environments that foster equity and equality, and that are responsive to the needs of the wider community.
Eligibility Criteria
Eligible applicant

Who can apply?
- Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) or
- Associations or organisations of HEIs

What else?
Applicant must be established in a EU Member state or third country associated to the Erasmus+ programme, or in an eligible third country not associated to Erasmus+ programme.

The applicant applies on behalf of all participating organisations involved in the proposal.

Exception: organisations from Syria (Region 3) and the Russian Federation (Region 4) cannot act as applicants.
Eligible partners

What types of organisations are eligible?

- any public or private organisation recognised as HEI by the competent authorities of their country(ies)
- any public or private organisation active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth
- Associations or organisations of HEIs dedicated to the promotion, improvement and reform of higher education as well as to co-operation within Europe and between Europe and other parts of the world
- International governmental organisations on a self-financing basis.
National projects: eligibility criteria

Third countries not associated to Erasmus+:
- 1 eligible country
- Minimum 2 HEIs

Countries associated to Erasmus+:
- At least 2 countries
- Minimum 1 HEI from each participating country
Multi-country projects: eligibility criteria

Third countries not associated to Erasmus+
- Same Region (regional projects)
- Different Regions (cross-regional projects)

Minimum 2 eligible countries
Minimum 2 HEIs from each eligible country

Countries associated to Erasmus+
Minimum 2 countries
Minimum 1 HEI from each country

For LATIN AMERICA, CARIBBEAN, WESTERN BALKANS:
ONLY MULTI-COUNTRY PROJECTS FOR STRAND 1 AND 2
For RUSSIA: ONLY MULTI-COUNTRY PROJECTS FOR ALL STRANDS
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<td>Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine - Territory as recognised by international law</td>
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<td>Region 3 - South-Mediterranean countries</td>
<td>Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine*; Syria, Tunisia</td>
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<td>Region 4 - Russian Federation</td>
<td>Russia - Territory as recognised by international law</td>
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<td>Region 5 - Asia</td>
<td>Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, DPR Korea, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Vietnam</td>
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<td>Region 6 - Central Asia</td>
<td>Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan</td>
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<td>Region 7 - Middle East</td>
<td>Iran, Iraq, Yemen</td>
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<td>Region 8 - Pacific</td>
<td>Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia - Federated States of, Nauru, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu</td>
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<td>Region 9 - Sub-Saharan Africa</td>
<td>Angola, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Congo - Democratic Republic of the, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritus, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sudan, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe</td>
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<td>Region 10 - Latin America</td>
<td>Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela</td>
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<td>Region 11 - Caribbean</td>
<td>Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts And Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent And The Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago</td>
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Regional priorities
Overarching priorities

- Green deal
- Digital transformation
- Migration and Mobility
- Governance, peace, security and human development
- Sustainable growth and jobs
Sub-Priorities for some specific Regions for Strand 1 and 2

- **EU Neighbouring Regions**
  - Western Balkans, Neighbourhood East, South-Mediterranean countries
  - One of the **overarching priorities** of the European Union (one choice only)
  - One of the **sub-priorities** related to the overarching priority chosen (one choice only)
Publication of Regional Priorities

Regional priorities published in the Funding and Tenders Opportunities Portal (FTOP):
https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home

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