Key Action 107 (KA107) Guide for Applicants

Mobility for Higher Education students and staff to Programme and Partner Countries (International Credit Mobility)

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This document is Version 2 of the guidance notes for the 2019 Call for Key Action 1 Mobility for Higher Education Students and Staff to Programme and Partner Countries

It has been produced by the Erasmus+ UK National Agency to support you in completing and submitting your application.

Guidance produced for the 2018 and earlier calls should not be used for the 2019 call. We recommend that, as a minimum, you consult the following documents to help you complete your application:

- 2019 Erasmus+ Programme Guide
- The European Commission’s Guidance on applying for International Credit Mobility
- The European Commission’s Do’s and Don’ts on applying for International Credit Mobility
- European Commission’s Guide on How to complete Erasmus+ Application Forms
- European Commission’s Erasmus+ Applications Guidelines
- Guide for experts on quality assessment of grant applications

If you wish to apply for funding for a mobility project in another field or under another Key Action, please see the Higher education funding page on the UK website.
Overview of the handbook

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2. Introduction to Key Action 1: Mobility of Individuals

Erasmus+ is open to organisations across all sectors of education, training, youth and sport. Any public, private or not-for-profit organisation actively involved in these areas may apply for funding. The overall programme objectives are to:

- boost skills and employability;
- modernise education, training and youth work;
- Focus on young people.

Under Key Action 1 organisations can apply for funding to run mobility projects. These projects enable organisations to offer structured study, work experience, job shadowing, training and teaching opportunities to staff and learners.

Erasmus+ and Brexit

The latest information about UK participation in Erasmus+ after Brexit can be found on the Brexit Update page of the Erasmus+ UK website. Please check this page regularly or subscribe to our newsletter to receive the latest updates.

Key Action 1 for Higher Education International Credit Mobility

UK Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) can apply for funding for student mobility to and from HEIs in Partner Countries to support students in acquiring competences to improve personal development and employability, whilst also enhancing foreign language competencies and raising awareness and understanding of other cultures and countries. HEIs can also apply for funding for staff mobility to and from HEIs in Partner Countries to support the professional development of those working in higher education.

International Credit Mobility projects can last 24 or 36 months. HEIs can apply for funding to support mobility activities within a project as described in chapter 4 of this document.

Student Mobility

- Study mobility to and from Partner Countries
- Traineeships to and from Partner Countries, including outgoing “Digital skills” traineeships in Switzerland and The Faroe Islands (Region 14). These opportunities are not open to recent graduates.

Staff Mobility

- Staff mobility for teaching to and from Partner Countries for academic staff and for invited staff from non-academic organisations to teach at a partner HEI abroad.
- Staff mobility for training to and from Partner Countries for teaching and non-teaching staff to undertake part in a training event or undergo job shadowing/observation/training at a partner HEI.
3. Before you begin

Before you begin your application, we recommend you complete the following steps:

   a) Read more about this type of project

We recommend that you read the relevant sections of the UK Erasmus+ website and the European Commission’s Erasmus+ 2019 Programme Guide to find out more about Key Action 1 (KA1) for higher education. For Key Action 1 higher education applications the relevant sections are:

   - The higher_education_higher_education_mobility_page of the UK National Agency website.

   b) Check that you are an eligible organisation

To be eligible to apply for Erasmus+, Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) must have a

   - Valid Participant Identification Code (PIC) – for more information please refer to point 4 below.
   - Valid Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE). To check if your institution holds a valid ECHE, please see the updated list of awarded ECHEs. If your institution doesn’t hold a valid ECHE, you won’t be able to apply for funding under the 2019 call.

Important note: Organisations in Partner Countries are not required to hold the ECHE if involved in an Erasmus+ project, but an international version of the Inter-Institutional Agreement must be signed before any mobilities can take place.

Consortia managing HE mobility under Erasmus+ KA1 must have a Consortium Certificate before applying for any Erasmus+ funding.

You may apply for the Consortium Certificate at the same time as applying for KA1 funding; see the Erasmus+ Programme Guide pages 32-48, especially pages 39-41. Your consortium application will be assessed and then, if it is approved, your KA1 application will be assessed for funding. If your Consortium Certificate application is not successful, your KA1 HE application will be automatically ineligible.

All applying organisations must be based and registered in the UK. For more information, please see the eligibility criteria for higher education Key Action 1 projects on page 34 of the Programme Guide.

Please note that, with limited exception, Sole Traders, Partnerships and Unincorporated Associations are not eligible to apply for funding in Erasmus+.
c) Read about operational and financial capability

What is operational capacity?

Operational capacity means that the applicant has the necessary professional competencies and qualifications to carry out the proposed project.

For more information on operational capacity, see page 256 of the 2019 Programme Guide. Note: for HEIs, organisational capacity is assessed through the ECHE.

The National Agency will limit the number of live projects an organisation manages at any one time if there is no evidence of sufficient operational capacity to successfully deliver them.

What is financial capacity?

All Erasmus+ projects are co-funded and Erasmus+ grants will not cover all costs – the grant is intended to be a contribution towards the costs of project implementation and mobility activities.

A formal financial capacity check does not apply to public bodies and international organisations, or where the grant request is less than 60,000 euro.

In all other cases, you must demonstrate that they have suitable reserves or income to deliver the project successfully.

You must therefore provide a set of accounts, in accordance with relevant UK legislation, not more than 15 months old, on the deadline date of the round to which you are applying.

The accounts should show a balance sheet with sufficient free reserves (e.g. cash at bank and debtors) which will exceed the amount of co-financing required and any additional shortfall, given the amount advanced as pre-financing and the total cost of the project.

For more information on financial capacity, see page 255 of the 2019 Programme Guide.

Important note: Erasmus+ grants should be used to deliver projects and should not therefore be expected to fund the running of an organisation. Erasmus+ grants should represent no more than 50% of an organisation’s annual income.

What kind of bank account does my organisation need to receive Erasmus+ funding?

All grants are paid in Euros. It is strongly recommended that you use a Euro bank account to avoid exchange rate losses. Some UK bank accounts can accept Euro payments directly, while others require payments to be routed via another bank or bank account. It is important that the name of your bank account matches the name of your organisation or the name of your group, so that we can make payments to you. If this is not possible please contact us to discuss your options.
d) Register on the European Commission’s Participant Portal

Registration on the European Commission’s Participant Portal is compulsory and you will not be able to submit your application if you have not registered your organisation. If you have previously registered prior there is no need to re-register.

Please note that both the applicant organisation and partner organisations must have registered on the European Commission’s Participant Portal before completing an Erasmus+ application form.

The Participant Portal is accessible via an individual’s ECAS account. A video guide on how to register on ECAS together with a Participant Portal User Manual is on our website.

Once registered, organisations will receive a nine digit Participant Identification Code (PIC). When a PIC is entered into an application form, the organisation’s details will feed through automatically.

e) Upload or update the Legal Entity and Financial Identification Form

Organisations will need to upload or update evidence of their legal status via a Legal Entity form and a completed Financial Identification form.

Important note: Please note that any information included in the Legal Entity Form and Financial Identification Form must match details in the application form and Participant Portal.

Useful tip: If your HEI has participated in other European Commission-funded programmes, particularly within research, you may already have a PIC, in which case please do not create a new one.

Please see the Erasmus+ 2019 Programme Guide page 251, Part C Information for Applicants, which contains detailed guidance on how to complete these steps.

f) Ensure you understand the quality criteria against which your application will be assessed

Please ensure that each section of the application form is completed in full and that the activities conform to the Erasmus+ guidelines. Remember to proof-read your application.

Your application should reflect your institutional strategy, as set out in your ECHE. Your project will be monitored against the requirements and standards set out in that document.

For applications for a Consortium Certificate, there will be a qualitative assessment undertaken by external experts selected for their experience and knowledge of higher education. Please see the
Please note that institutions can submit only one application for Key Action 107. In the case that any duplicates or additional applications are submitted, the most recent application will be considered the single application for that institution.

The budget for Higher Education International Credit Mobility is limited and competition is expected to be high. Funding decisions will be made based on a quality score.

Experts will assess each section of the application form against the criteria detailed below:

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<td>Relevance of the strategy (maximum 30 points)</td>
<td>The extent to which the planned mobility project is relevant to the internationalisation strategy of the HEI involved (both in the Programme and in the Partner Country) and the rational for choosing staff and/or student study mobility.</td>
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<td>Quality of the cooperation arrangements. (maximum 30 points)</td>
<td>The extent to which the applicant organisation has previous experience of similar projects with HEIs/organisations in the Partner Country and the clarity of the description of the responsibilities, roles and tasks between partners.</td>
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<td>Quality of the activity of design and implementation (maximum 20 points)</td>
<td>The completeness and quality of arrangements for the selection of participants, the support provided to them and the recognition of their mobility period (in particular the Partner Country).</td>
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<td>Impact and dissemination (maximum 20 points)</td>
<td>The potential impact of the project on participants, beneficiaries, partner organisations, at local, regional and national levels and the quality of measures aimed at disseminating the results of the mobility project at faculty and institution levels, and beyond where applicable, in both the Programme and Partner Countries.</td>
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One or more experts will assess each mobility project. Experts will look at the four quality questions for each set of mobility flows within a given Partner Country. Only the best sets of mobility flows will be selected for funding, that is the ones that receive the highest quality scores.

To be considered for funding, proposals must score at least 60 points out of a possible 100, with a minimum of 15 points for the "relevance of the strategy" section.

Any text you enter will be considered in the quality assessment. Please be concise and give the most relevant detail in the most relevant section of the form.
4. Eligibility criteria

a) Eligible activities and duration

- Student mobility for studies (3 - 12 months excluding travel time);
- Student mobility for traineeships (2 - 12 months excluding travel time. If combined with studies minimum duration is 3 months);
- Staff mobility for teaching (5 days – 2 months excluding travel). 8 hours of teaching per week or any shorter period. Exceptions: no minimum number of hours set for invited staff from enterprises. If teaching is combined with training, the minimum number of hours of teaching per week (or any shorter period of stay) is reduced to 4 hours;
- Staff mobility for training (5 days – 2 months excluding travel).

Duration is based on full month of 30 days. A year is considered as 360 days.

b) Eligible Partner Countries

Any Partner Country of the world, except regions 5 and 12.

For HEIs based in the UK, there are 14 budget “envelopes” divided into 14 instruments for which you can for apply under the 2019 call for applications. Countries not listed are not eligible for International Credit Mobility in 2019.

Important Note: From the 2019 call, Serbia is no longer part of Key Action 107 as it has become a Programme Country.

The different budget envelopes have different rules/restrictions.

- **IPA Western Balkans, PI Industrialised Americas, PI Industrialised Asia, ENI Region East, ENI Region South, ENI Russia and Junker North Africa Window** budget envelopes don’t have restrictions for incoming vs. outgoing mobility.
- **Junker South Africa Window, EDF and DCI Asia, Central Asia, South Africa, Latin America, Middle East** budget envelopes are for incoming mobilities and outgoing staff mobility and student mobility at PhD (cycle 3) level only, but see the EDF & DCI outgoing mobility budget below if you wish to apply for outgoing short, 1st or 2nd cycle mobility.
- **EDF and DCI Outgoing mobility** is the UK National Agency’s budget envelope reserved for outgoing students enrolled in short cycle (e.g. Foundation degrees or HND courses), cycle 1 (Bachelor’s) or cycle 2 (Master’s) degrees.
- **West Africa** budget envelope is for incoming mobilities including student study and traineeships, staff teaching and training. The only outgoing mobility which is eligible is staff mobility for training and teaching. This funding is additional to the funding that is already available for Sub-Saharan Africa under the European Development Fund (EDF). However, HEIs will not be able to combine the funding within the same project. You will have to opt for either EDF or West Africa budget when funding a project with Nigeria for instance.
• **Junker West Africa Window and Junker Horn of Africa Windows budget** envelopes focus, where possible, on incoming student mobility; incoming mobility of younger members of staff; a good geographic spread; promoting cooperation with less experienced countries in the region; and encouraging partnerships with new HEIs. This funding is additional to the funding that is already available for Sub-Saharan Africa under the European Development Fund (EDF). However, HEIs will not be able to combine the funding within the same project. You will have to opt for either EDF or Junker Africa Windows budget when funding a project with Nigeria or Tanzania for instance.

• **Region 14** budget envelope is for outgoing student mobility for traineeships in ‘digital skills’, from Programme Countries to the Faroe Islands or Switzerland.

In addition to the rules listed above, geographical balance is a general rule for all multi-country envelopes which will be enforced at Commission level and it is the responsibility of National Agencies to aim for geographical balance during the evaluation process in order to spread the available budgets as widely as possible.

In order to attain this target, HEIs are encouraged to work with partners from less developed countries and regions in addition to the large emerging economies.

**DCI Asia**

- **at least 25%** for Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos, Nepal, Bhutan & Myanmar
- **maximum 30%** for India & China combined
- **45%** for DPR Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand & Vietnam

**DCI Latin America**

- **at least 25%** for Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras
- **Maximum 35%** for Brazil & Mexico combined
- **40%** for Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Panamá, Paraguay

Unlike intra-European Credit Mobility, there are no quotas for student vs staff mobility with Partner Countries. In other words, provided the rules of each budget envelope are taken into account, HEIs are free to apply for 100% staff mobility or 100% student mobility or anything in between. This decision has to be clearly justified in the body of the application form. The actual grant amount awarded to HEI will depend on a number of elements:

- The number of mobility periods and months/days applied for;
- The budget allocated for the mobility action in the respective Partner Country or Region;
- The geographical balance within a given region or sub region.

For more information about applying for International Credit Mobility, please see the [Apply for Funding page](#) of the Erasmus+ website.

c) **Eligible Participants**

**Student mobility for study:**
• Students registered at an eligible HEI and undertaking a recognised degree or another recognised tertiary level qualification. Students must be enrolled in at least the second year of their course.

Student Traineeships:

• Students registered at an eligible HEI and undertaking a recognised degree or another recognised tertiary level qualification. Students do not need to be enrolled in at least the second year of their course.

Staff mobility for teaching:

• Staff (part or full time) working in a Programme or Partner Country HEI
• Staff (part or full time) from enterprises invited to teach at an HEI in a Programme or Partner Country from any enterprise working in a programme or partner country, public or private organisation (not awarded with an ECHE) active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth (including employed doctoral candidates).

Staff mobility for training:

• Staff (part or full time) employed in a Programme or Partner country HEI. This activity also supports the mobility of staff from Partner Country HEIs to train at a non-academic organisation located in a Programme Country.

For consortium applications only the HEI’s staff is eligible for funding and not the staff from the local/coordinating authority.

d) Eligible Participating Organisations

Student mobility for study:

• All participating Programme Country organisations (both sending and receiving) must be HEIs awarded with an ECHE. All Partner Country organisations must be HEIs recognised by competent authorities and have signed inter-institutional agreements with their Programme Country partners before the mobility takes place.

Student Traineeships:

• The sending organisation must be a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE or a Partner Country HEI recognised by competent authorities that has signed inter-institutional agreements with their Programme Country partners before the mobility takes place.

The receiving organisation can be:

  o any public or private organisation active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth. For example, such organisations can be:
- a public or private, a small, medium or large enterprise (including social enterprises);
- a public body at local, regional or national level;
- a social partner or other representative of working life, including chambers of commerce, craft/professional associations and trade unions;
- a research institute;
- a foundation;
- a school/institute/educational centre (at any level, from pre-school to upper secondary education, and including vocational education and adult education);
  - a non-profit organisation, association, NGO;
  - a body providing career guidance, professional counselling and information services;
  - a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE.

The European Commission deems these organisations to be ineligible.

**Staff mobility for teaching:**

- The receiving organisation must be a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE or a Partner Country HEI recognised by competent authorities and having signed an inter-institutional agreement with the sending Programme Country partner before the mobility takes place.

The sending organisation must be:
- any public or private organisation active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth. For example, such organisation can be:
  - a public or private, a small, medium or large enterprise (including social enterprises);
  - a public body at local, regional or national level;
  - a social partner or other representative of working life, including chambers of commerce, craft/professional associations and trade unions;
  - a research institute;
  - a foundation;
  - a school/institute/educational centre (at any level, from pre-school to upper secondary education, and including vocational education and adult education);
- a non-profit organisation, association, NGO;
- a body providing career guidance, professional counselling and information services;
- a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE.

**Staff mobility for training:**

- The sending organisation must be a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE or a Partner Country HEI recognised by competent authorities and having signed an inter-institutional agreement with the sending Programme Country partner before the mobility takes place.

The sending organisation must be:
- any public or private organisation active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth. For example, such organisation can be:
  - a public or private, a small, medium or large enterprise (including social enterprises);
  - a public body at local, regional or national level;
  - a social partner or other representative of working life, including chambers of commerce, craft/professional associations and trade unions;
  - a research institute;
  - a foundation;
  - a school/institute/educational centre (at any level, from pre-school to upper secondary education, and including vocational education and adult education);
- a non-profit organisation, association, NGO;
- a body providing career guidance, professional counselling and information services;
- a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE.
in institutional agreement with the receiving Programme Country partner before the mobility takes place.

The receiving organisation must be
  o a Programme Country HEI awarded with an ECHE, or a Partner Country HEI recognised by competent authorities and having signed an inter-institutional agreement with the receiving Programme Country partner; or
  o any Programme Country public or private organisation active in the labour market or in the fields of education, training and youth.

5. Step-by-step guide to completing the online application form

Applicants must complete and submit a web form through the European Commission’s application portal. The online application can be found here under the “open calls” tab.

The Application form for Key Action 107 is shown under “Higher Education student and staff mobility between Programme and Partner Countries”. You must click “apply” to access the form. Once started, the application will be available under the “My applications” tab.

**Important Note:** If you are a new user, you must create an EU Login account before accessing the Web application forms.

Guidelines explaining the web application process can be found here. You can find the EC’s guidelines on completing web forms for the 2019 call for applications here.

The online form is automatically saved every 2 seconds.

A. Context

This section consists of fields containing information specific to the application being made. In the top right hand side, the following information should be shown:

Please note the form ID will be unique to your organisation’s application form.

The following fields will then be shown and must be completed.

**Project start date:** All projects starts on 1 August 2019 (automatically populated)

**Project Total Duration [months]:** select 24 or 36 months. The project duration is the total
duration for your whole project and not just the proposed activity durations. The overall project
duration will need to encompass all project-related activities from promotion and recruitment
through to evaluation and dissemination.

**Project end date:** This will be automatically populated. For 24 month projects, the project end date
should be **31 July 2021** and for 36 month projects the end date should be **31 July 2022**.

**National Agency of the applicant organisation:** UK 01 (United Kingdom) should be selected
from drop down list.

**Language used to fill in form:** English (for all applications to the UK National Agency)

### B. Applicant Organisation

You will be asked **Are you applying on behalf of a consortium?** Select ‘Yes’ or ‘No’ from dropdown menu. If you select ‘Yes’ and your organisation holds valid Higher Education Mobility
Consortium Accreditation, you will be able to select the accreditation reference for your
organisation under the drop down list for **Accreditation Reference**. Please note, you must input
your organisation’s PIC under **Applicant Organisation** in order for the information to show.

**Important Note:** Once awarded, the Consortium Certificate provides accreditation for three
consecutive calls. Therefore, if you applied under the 2015 or 2016 call, you will
need to apply for this accreditation again.

As a minimum, you will need to create a draft of the KA108 Consortium Accreditation before
selecting the accreditation reference from

If no valid Higher Education Mobility Consortium Accreditation (KA108) is in place for the PIC, you
will be shown the following message:

⚠️ No accreditation has been found for your organisation.

Therefore, you will either need to create a draft KA108 application or submit an application for a
KA108 application. The application form is available [here](#) under ‘Accreditation of Higher Education
mobility Consortia’.

If you select ‘No’, a section regarding **the Erasmus Policy Statement** will appear, along with the
following question: **Please provide the link to the webpage where your Erasmus Policy
Statement is published**, which you must complete with the relevant link.

You must enter your organisation’s PIC number into the application form under **Applicant
Organisation**. Once entered, the fields in this section will automatically populate your
organisation’s information. If a 🚸 symbol appears after inputting your pic this means that some
mandatory information has not been provided. You can resolve this by clicking the 📄 on the
right hand side of the screen, as below:
Important Note: The pre-populated information entered into this section of the form will be based on the information provided during the PIC registration process. If there are any changes to the information originally provided, you should log onto the Participant Portal and update the information accordingly.
If the address of the legal signatory is the same as the organisation address you can click “Same Address as Organisation”, if the address is different you will need to input this onto the application form.

We strongly recommend that the Legal Representative and appropriate officers within your organisation review the Declaration of Honour together with the 2019 Programme Guide, Part c, Step 2: Check the Compliance with the Programme Criteria on Page 245. Please ensure you give special attention to the Exclusion Criteria.

C. Partner Countries

For this section of the application form you will need to click onto the ‘Partner Countries’ section and you will able to add the partner countries you wish to work within your project.

You will need to click the **ADD PARTNER COUNTRY** button to add each of the partner countries within your project.

The following will then appear:

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To add the details, click on the **Details** icon and select ‘Details’ (if you have added a Partner Country by accident you can select delete button).

When you select ‘Details’ you will then see the following screen:

You will need to input the partner country from the dropdown list.

**Institutions**
If your partner does not have a PIC at application stage, the PIC section can be left blank but it is mandatory to input the partner’s name in the section ‘Legal name’ and the ‘Email of the contact person’ at the Partner Country Institution.

If you are applying for Student traineeships under the selected partner country and the information is available, please provide a list of the receiving organisations.

**Institutions**

Provide a list of the higher education institutions from the Partner country indicating their corresponding PIC if one exists. To look for the PIC (Participant Identification Code) of registered organisations please visit the Participant Portal.


⚠️ The field of Legal name must be completed with the name of the Partner Country Higher Education institution and the email address of the contact person (the PIC is not mandatory). If you wish to leave them empty because you could plan to work with non-academic partners in this country, please write ‘not applicable’ in the field for the institution’s name and provide your own email address.

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**ADD**

Are you going to work with Non-academic partners?

**Main Activities**

For this section you will need to complete the details of all anticipated mobilities to and from partner countries as accurately as you can, from 1 June 2019 to the selected end date of your project.

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ADD ACTIVITY

Every activity you plan to do must be listed in this section. We cannot fund activities if they are not listed in the application form. Some changes may be requested and approved by the National Agency at a later date, but if an activity is added we will not be able to increase funding to cover it.

Be aware that each mobility project per Partner Country will be assessed separately. According to the Programme Guide short, first and second cycle outgoing student mobility (for studies and/or traineeships) to countries in regions 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 are not eligible.

However your National Agency has made funds available to support short, first and second cycle outgoing student mobility to some of the above mentioned regions. To apply for these funds add a flow for the given activity and select ‘Yes’ in the field ‘short, first and second cycle outgoing student mobility’ when you encode these mobility flows. If you apply as well for third cycle outgoing mobility to these countries, you will have to add another flow for the same activity and select ‘No’ in the field ‘short, first and second cycle outgoing student mobility’.
To add activities you will need to click on the button. The following will then appear:

To add activities, click on the icon and select ‘Activity Details’ (if you have added an activity in error, you can select the ‘Delete Activity’ button).

Please complete the **Activity Type** by selecting one of the following options from the drop down menu:
- Student Mobility for Traineeships to/from Partner Countries
- Student mobility for studies to/from Partner Countries.
- Staff mobility for Teaching to/from Partner Countries;
- Staff mobility for Training to/from Partner Countries;

**Flows**

To create a new flow you need to click the button. The following will then appear:

To add flows, click on the icon and select ‘Details’ (if you have added an activity in error, you can select the ‘Delete Activity’ button).

For Student/Staff mobilities you will need to select if the activity is **Incoming/Outgoing** for each of the flows. The **Country of Origin** will be automatically populated and the **Country of Destination**: this will be automatically populated.

For the **Distance Band** field you will need to use the European Commission’s distance calculator to calculate the distance between the sending and receiving organisations. The distance calculated is one way and the travel grant awarded is for a return journey. Please use the venue city if known. If not, please use the capital of the Destination Country. For the **No. of Total Participants** field you will be required to enter the total number of participants for that flow.
Important note: The European Commission considers one month as 30 days. Any days that do not total a full month (up to 29) must be inserted in the total duration (total days) field.

For **Student Study / Traineeship mobility** you will be required to fill out the following fields:

**Total Duration (full months):** Please insert the total duration of all participants combined. For example, if you plan to send three students on placement for three months, you would input nine (9) months in the total duration (full months) section.

**Total Duration (extra days):** Please insert the total duration of all participants combined. For example, if mobility is 3.5 months, you would insert three full months in total duration (full months) and 15 days in total duration (extra days). (The maximum number of extra days you can enter is 29).

**Total Duration (days):** This will be automatically populated. If you see an error message saying “The requested total duration for the total number of participants does not correspond to the minimum duration per mobility as defined by the Programme Guide, i.e. 2 months per traineeship mobility.” You will need to recalculate the duration.

**Average duration per participant:** Auto populated.

For **Staff Teaching/ Training Mobility** you will be required to fill out the following fields:

**Total Duration Excluding Travel (days):** Please insert the total duration of all participants combined. The minimum duration for staff teaching/training is five days and the maximum duration is two months (60 days) and is excluding travel days. For instance: five staff members on mobility for five days, the Total Duration (excluding travel days) would be 25.

**Travel Days:** Please insert the total number of travel days of all participants combined. The maximum number of travel days for each participant is two days. A travel day is subsistence for a day spent travelling, when the staff member is not participating in teaching or training activities. For instance: five staff members awarded two days each would be 10 travel days.

**Total Duration Including Travel (days):** This will automatically populate depending on what you have inserted for Total Duration and Travel Days.

**Average Duration per Participant:** Auto populated.

Once you have entered the activities for the partner country you will see the total Activity budget has been auto calculated.

**Quality Questions**

The following questions will appear, and will be repeated when each partner country is added to the application form.

**Relevance of the strategy**
Explain why the planned mobility project is relevant to the internationalisation strategy of the HEIs involved, (both in the Programme and Partner Country). Justify the proposed type(s) of mobility (students and/or staff) in relation to the HEIs priorities, as well as the choice of partner university. Information provided in this section will be used to assess the mobility flows detailed in “Activities’ Details”.

**Thematic focus of the partnership**

You may select a maximum of 3 subject areas that are relevant to your project with this Partner Country.

**Quality of the cooperation arrangements**

Detail your previous experience of similar projects with HEIs in this Partner Country, if any, and explain how, for the planned mobility project, responsibilities, roles and tasks will be defined in the Inter-Institutional Agreement (International Version). If applicable, provide as well the available information on your previous experience and planned cooperation arrangements with receiving organisations for traineeships in your country and this Partner country.

**Quality of project design and implementation**

Present the different phases of the mobility project and summarise what partner organisations plan in terms of selection of participants, the support provided to them, and the recognition of their mobility period (in particular in the Partner Country). Please bear in mind that there might be limitations within certain budget envelopes. Please consult the Programme Guide and your National Agency's website to know which limitations apply.

**Impact and dissemination**

Explain the desired impact of the mobility project on participants, beneficiaries, partner organisations and at local, regional and national levels. Describe the measures which will be taken to disseminate the results of the mobility project at faculty and institution levels, and beyond where applicable, in both the Programme and Partner Countries.

Dissemination activity may be in the form of local meetings, workshops or discussions with members of a wider community and you may use hand-outs, reports, evaluations or video to assist this.

How will you know whether you have achieved the expected impacts? Please describe the means you will use, and, if known at this stage, your indicators of achievement, or how you will develop them. To whom will you disseminate the project results inside and outside your organisation? What kind of dissemination activities do you intend to carry out and through which channels?

The [Erasmus+ Project Results Platform](https://erasmusplusresultsplatform.ec.europa.eu/) is the European Commission’s dissemination tool. It contains general information about funded Erasmus+ and information on Lifelong Learning and Youth in Action projects from across Europe. In due course the project outcomes of some of these projects will be uploaded to the platform as well. This is not a contractual requirement for KA1 projects but is encouraged for dissemination purposes.

**Important note:** The European Commission has created a ‘Do’s and Don’ts’ document to provide guidance to applicants when answering these Quality Questions. This document can be found [here](#).
D. Budget Summary

For further information please consult the Programme Guide for the overview of funding rules. Please note that all amounts are expressed in Euro.

Once you have entered the information for all the partner countries you will see a total grant amount and you will also see the budget per partner country.

Travel

This section will automatically populate from data recorded in the “Partner Countries” section.

Please note: Travel Grant per Participant and Total Travel Grant Requested fields will automatically populate based on set rates (as shown below) for both Students and Staff. These cannot be manually populated.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Travel distances</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Between 10 and 99 KM:</td>
<td>20 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Between 100 and 499 KM:</td>
<td>380 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Between 500 and 1999 KM:</td>
<td>275 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Between 2000 and 2999 KM:</td>
<td>360 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Between 3000 and 3999 KM:</td>
<td>520 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Between 4000 and 7999 KM:</td>
<td>820 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8000 KM or more:</td>
<td>1500 EUR per participant</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

They are also listed on page 47 of the 2019 Programme guide.

Individual Support

This section will automatically populate from data recorded in the section ‘Partner Countries’. Please note Grant per Participant and Total Grant Requested fields will be automatically populated based on set rates (as shown below) and cannot be manually populated.

The rates for Individual Support for students are listed below and can be found on page 47 of the 2019 Programme guide.
Students to/from Partner Countries (for Study and Traineeships):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>From</th>
<th>To</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Eligible Partner Countries</td>
<td>Group 1 Programme Countries</td>
<td>900 EUR per month</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Group 2 Programme Countries</td>
<td>850 EUR per month</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Group 3 Programme Countries</td>
<td>800 EUR per month</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Programme Countries</td>
<td>Partner Countries</td>
<td>700 EUR per month</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Staff to/from Partner Countries (for Teaching/Training):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Receiving country</th>
<th>Staff from Programme Countries</th>
<th>Staff from Partner Countries</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Norway, Denmark, Luxembourg, United Kingdom, Iceland,</td>
<td>80-180</td>
<td>180</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sweden, Ireland, Finland, Liechtenstein</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Netherlands, Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Italy,</td>
<td>70-160</td>
<td>160</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Spain, Cyprus, Greece, Malta, Portugal</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Slovenia, Estonia, Latvia, Croatia, Slovakia, Czech</td>
<td>60-140</td>
<td>140</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Republic, Lithuania, Turkey, Hungary, Poland, Romania,</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bulgaria, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Partner Countries</td>
<td>180</td>
<td>Not eligible</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The original table can be found on page 50 of the 2019 Programme guide. Please note we have simplified the table to the purpose of applicants of mobility between Programme and Partner Countries.

Organisational Support

The organisational support grant is a contribution to any cost incurred by the institutions in relation to activities in support of student and staff mobility, both inbound and outbound, to comply with the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in Programme Countries, and with the principles of the ECHE as reflected in the inter-institutional agreements agreed in the case of institutions from Partner Countries. Full details can be found on pages 43-44 of the 2019 Programme guide.

The organisational support grant is calculated based on the number of all supported outbound and inbound mobility participants (including mobile participants with a zero-grant from EU funds for the entire mobility period).
This section will automatically populate from the number of participants in ‘Partner Countries’. Please note the Total Grant Requested field will also automatically populate and cannot be manually amended. Rates are listed below and can also be found on page 43 of the 2019 Programme guide.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Eligible Costs</th>
<th>Financing Mechanism</th>
<th>Amount</th>
<th>Rule of Allocation</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Organisational Support</td>
<td>Cost directly linked to the implementation of mobility activities (excluding subsistence and travel for participants)</td>
<td>Contribution to Unit Costs</td>
<td>Based on the number of mobility participants</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

E. Annexes

The following documents will need to be annexed to the application form:

- The Declaration of Honour signed by the Legal Representative as named in your application under ‘Applicant Organisation’. To download the Declaration of Honour, click [DOWNLOAD DECLARATION OF HONOUR](#). This will save a copy to your computer, which you can then print so it can be signed by your organisation’s Legal Representative. When you are ready to upload the Declaration of Honour, click [ADD DECLARATION OF HONOUR](#) and you can select the document from your computer.

To attach any other documents you feel to be relevant, click the [ADD FILE](#) button on the right hand side of the box displayed. This will then open an additional window which will allow you to browse files on your computer and upload them.

Please note that only .pdf, .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx, .jpg, .txt, .odt, .ods, .cdoc, .ddoc, .bdoc files can be submitted electronically with an application; no other files will be accepted. A file which has been added in error can be removed by clicking the [ ](#) button to the right of the document name.

The Legal Representative of the applicant organisation, for HEIs, would normally be the Vice Chancellor / Pro Vice Chancellor. Please stamp the Declaration of Honour with your institution stamp before uploading it.

**It is essential to submit the Declaration of Honour. Failure to submit the Declaration of Honour, signed by the Legal Representative, will result in your application being ineligible.**
F. Checklist

Before submitting the application, please make sure that it fulfils the requirements listed below:

Checklist

Before submitting your application form to the National Agency please make sure that:
- It fulfils the eligibility criteria listed in the Programme Guide.
- All relevant fields in the application form have been completed.
- You have chosen the correct National Agency of the country in which your organisation is established. Currently selected NA is: UK01 (UNITED KINGDOM).
- Partner higher education institutions are recognised by the competent authorities in their countries.

You will also need to check the box showing under Data Protection Notice at the bottom of the screen which shows:

- I agree with the Data Protection Notice

6. Submission

Important note: You should submit your application only when you are happy with the finalised version. You need to ensure that your computer is connected to the internet in order to submit your application.

Once all sections of the form are complete, the top left hand side of the application will show as follows (the yellow highlighting will vary depending on which section you are viewing):

You can then select to submit the application form clicking the Submit button at the bottom of the page. You will not be able to click the ‘Submit’ button until all sections of the web form are complete.

Upon clicking ‘Submit’ the following screenshot will appear:
If you click ‘Yes’, the screen will show that the application is being submitted and the following will appear. Please make a note of your Submission ID as this will be the number used to locate your application in the event of any questions:

![Submission confirmation screenshot](image)

More information on the submitting an application can be found here. Under section 3 entitled ‘Late submission of the application’, you can find details of the submission procedure in place if you are unable to meet the deadline due to a technical error.

Please note: It is not normal practice for the National Agency to accept late applications. We therefore recommend that organisations aim to complete and submit applications well in advance of the deadline.

**After submitting**

You will be able to access the submitted version of the form under the ‘My Applications’ tab.
All applications are checked for eligibility, and eligible applications will be assessed for quality. An Evaluation Committee then meets to review the applications. The highest-scoring applications are selected, based on the budget available.

Applicants will receive a notification of awarded decision within four months of the application deadline. For further information on the project life-cycle deadlines and payment modalities, please see page 264 of the 2019 Programme Guide.

Funding results for successful projects will also be published on the Funding Results page of the Erasmus+ website.

Sharing your application

You have the possibility to share the application as read only to your colleagues or partners by entering the email of the person whom you give access to. Please note that any person accessing the form will need an EU login account for the email you enter.

1. Click Sharing in the left side menu
2. Click SHARE APPLICATION
3. Enter the User Email and a Comment (not mandatory)
4. Click SHARE

Please note that in the first version of the form no emails will be sent to the user and you will need to inform the user yourself.

7. Where to find more help and advice

For further information, please refer to the Apply for International Credit Mobility section on our website.

The Erasmus+ team at the British Council are here to help you with any queries regarding your higher education application. If you have any queries, please contact the Erasmus+ HE Helpdesk:

Tel: 029 2092 4311
Email: Erasmus@britishcouncil.org

Important note: The Erasmus+ HE Helpdesk is particularly busy before an application deadline. While the National Agency will try to answer and solve your queries, it is always recommended to start completing your application well in advance of the deadline to avoid any unforeseen issues.
8. In summary

1. Read relevant parts of the 2019 Erasmus+ Programme Guide
2. Register your organisation on the European Commission’s Participant Portal (if not done for past projects)
3. Complete the EC’s Online Application Form using any of the following guidance:
   - Guide on How to complete Erasmus+ Application Forms
   - Erasmus+ Applications Guidelines
   - EC’s Quick steps on submitting an online application

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