Erasmus+

Erasmus Mundus Design Measures (EMDM)

European Education and Culture Executive Agency
Interested in Erasmus Mundus but not yet ready for an EMJM?

Start with an Erasmus Mundus Design Measure and launch the basis for a joint programme
More than 4 million European students

Open to international dimension through academic exchanges worldwide with more funding

Increased International dimension: HE, VET, Youth & Sport
Erasmus Mundus 2021-2027

Erasmus Mundus Action

EMJM
Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters

EMDM
Erasmus Mundus Design Measures

NEW
Erasmus+ Programme 2021-2027

New programme 2021-2027

KA1
Learning Mobility for Individuals

KA2
Cooperation for Innovation & Good practices

KA3
Support for Policy reform

Erasmus Mundus Action
Key Action 2 – Different cooperation models

- **PARTNERSHIPS FOR COOPERATION**
  - Cooperation Partnerships
  - Small Scale Partnerships

- **PARTNERSHIPS FOR INNOVATION**
  - Innovation Alliances
  - Forward looking Projects

- **PARTNERSHIPS FOR EXCELLENCE**
  - European Universities
  - VET Centres of Excellence
  - Erasmus Mundus Action
Rationale behind EMDM lot

✓ Filling the gap of the Erasmus Mundus Action by supporting the development of new master programmes

✓ Diversify the offer of Joint Master Programmes and encourage new academic cooperation by involving under-represented Erasmus+ Programme Countries, institutions, and/or thematic areas
What is an EMDM project?

- Short duration **grant to support institutions** in the set-up of a new joint master programme in Europe (and beyond)
- **One beneficiary** mobilising a group of other HEIs (aiming at an EMJM consortium)
- **Independent funding scheme** from EMJM (independent calls for proposals)
What is a Joint Master Programme?

For reference definition of an EMJM:

✓ A jointly designed **fully integrated curriculum** and common implementation procedures

✓ Delivered by a **consortium of HEIs** (involving at least three HEIs from three different countries, of which at least two should be programme countries)

✓ International outreach to **attract and enrol excellent students** worldwide

✓ Compulsory **physical mobility** for all recruited students

✓ **Joint degree** or **multiple degrees**
International cooperation

Programme Countries:

EU Member States + Non-EU Programme Countries:
Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Republic of North Macedonia, Serbia, Turkey

Partner Countries:
All other countries throughout the world
Expected outcomes of an EMDM

- Joint **programme design** and joint procedures
- Joint **administrative** and financial management
- Common **services** offered to students
- Joint **promotion** and **dissemination**
- A draft joint **Partnership** and **Student Agreement**
- A joint **degree policy** and launch of **accreditation process**

+ explore opportunities offered by the **European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes** (if national legislation allows)
EMDM Set-up

✓ **One beneficiary** mobilising a group of other HEIs (aiming at an EMJM consortium)

✓ **Fixed duration of 15 months**

✓ **EU Grant: single lump sum contribution of 55,000 Euros** (for costs linked to the activities necessary to set up the new joint master programme)
Applications can be submitted by any eligible Programme or Partner country HEI.
EMDM call for proposals 2021 at a glance

- Opening of the Call: **29 April 2021**
- New Deadline: **17 June 2021 at 17.00** (Brussels time)
- Budget: **approx. 2m Euro**
- Nr. of projects: **approx. 36**
Erasmus+ EMDM call for proposals 2021
Selection roadmap

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How to apply?

Funding opportunities for 2021-2027 and information on how to apply are announced on the European Commission’s Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal:

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home
EMDM Evaluation procedure

• Peer review by independent external experts – 2 experts assess each proposal in a one-step evaluation procedure

• One threshold: proposals must score at least 60 points overall

• In case of ex aequo, priority will be given to projects with highest scores for "Relevance of the project“ and then “Impact”
EMDM Award Criteria (1)

❖ **Relevance of the project** *(max 40 points)*

- Aims and specific objectives of the project and their relevance
- Strategy proposed
- Project ambition
- New consortia and potential to involve under-represented Programme Countries/institutions/thematic areas

❖ **Quality of the project design and implementation** *(max 20 points)*

- Planning of the activities to achieve the objectives and outcomes
- Operational resources
- Steps foreseen to launch an accreditation/evaluation process
EMDM Award Criteria (2)

- **Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements** (max 20 points)
  - Definition of roles and distribution of tasks in the project team
  - Expected involvement of other educational/non-educational actors and their contribution to the design of the programme.
  - Rationale of their participation, added value and complementarity

- **Impact** (max 20 points)
  - Expected impact
  - Promotion and dissemination
  - Sustainability and identification of possible sources of funding
Information about the programme

✓ Erasmus+ Programme guide: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/programme-guide_en

✓ Erasmus Mundus calls for proposals 2021 on Funding & tender opportunities portal: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home

✓ How to get a grant - General info for applicants on EACEA website: https://www.eacea.ec.europa.eu/grants/how-get-grant_nl
Other information sources

- Statistical factsheets on the achievements of the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (2014-2020)
- Statistical factsheets on Erasmus+ 2014-2020
- Report 'Implementing Joint Degrees in the Erasmus Mundus action of the Erasmus+ programme'
- EMJMD catalogue
- EMJMD Cluster meeting 2018: European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes and Follow-up event 2019 "Implementing the European Approach for Quality Assurance for EMJMDs"
- Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees - The story so far
- Sustainability of Erasmus Mundus Master Courses - Best practice guide