

#### **EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ASSOCIATION**

## Halbzeitevaluierung Erasmus+

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### **ERASMUS+ MIDTERM REVIEW - UNIVERSITY AND STUDENT PERSPECTIVES ON STUDENT MOBILITY EUA** 14 30 **15**\* 37 106 Countries with EUA 49 collective members Countries with no EUA

collective members



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## EUA survey on Erasmus+



EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q3. Country. N=500



# Background: Interim evaluation Erasmus+ 2021-2027 and final evaluation E+ 2014-2020

• E+ legal base -> monitoring and evaluation <u>framework</u>

#### **Timeline**

15/09-08/12 2023 Open public consultation – individuals,

institutions/organisations

Sept-Dec 2023 Targeted consultations: beneficiaries,

NAs, socio-economic actors

First half of 2024 National evaluation reports to be

delivered

End of 2024 European Commission to report to EU

Parliament, EU Council, etc

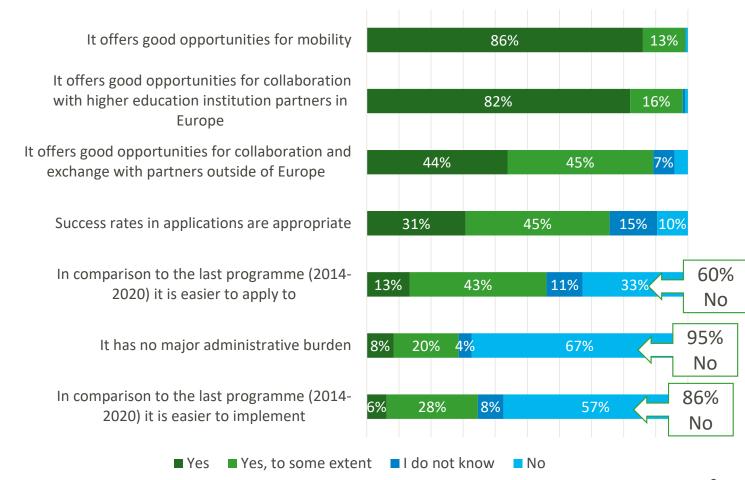


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## Overall impression

EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q7. How would you assess the Erasmus+ programme? (N= 500)





I do not know

#### Funding & management

EUA survey on Erasmus+

you assess the Erasmus+

(N=500)

42%/ Support from the National Agency is 44%/ 55% 35% usually helpful and efficient 12% Support from the EACEA is usually 19% 23% 17% 40% helpful and efficient It has clear funding rules 40% 38% 21% Grant sizes are appropriate 30% 44% 25% Financial reporting and accounting are 86% 11% 36% 46% easy No

No

■ Yes, to some extent

(forthcoming 2023) Q7. How would programme? (N= 500) &. Q9 Do you agree with the following statements regarding the project management?

■ Yes, fully



#### **Digital Tools**

EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q17. How do you assess the digital tools in the E+ programme? (n=498), Q18 Please provide feedback on the following online tools. (...) (N=410) Digital tools for grant management are gradually improved

We have been sufficiently consulted on the development and the roll-out of new digital tools

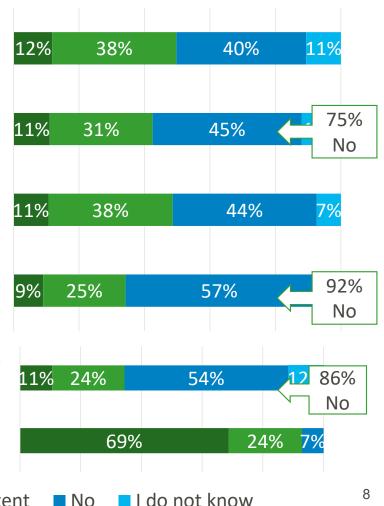
Some of the digital processes work already very well

Digital processes and procedures are robust and reliable

The Beneficiary Module is useful for grant management

We preferred the Mobility Tool to the Beneficiary module







# "69% preferred the mobility tool over BM" Old and new tools - What is your view?

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At majority of

of BA's & MA's

are mobile (E+

and other)

14% reach/

exceed 20%

mobility target

HEIs, 10% or less

#### E+ intra-European mobility

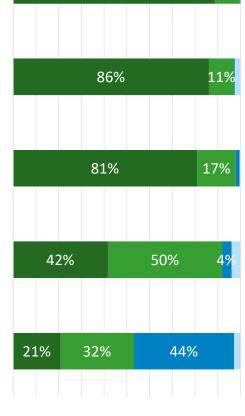
It is an attractive opportunity for our students to study abroad

We will continue to use this action

It is an attractive opportunity for students to come to our institution

The Erasmus+ student mobility scheme has been adapted efficiently and quickly to the changes caused by the pandemic

We have experienced no major problems with the action



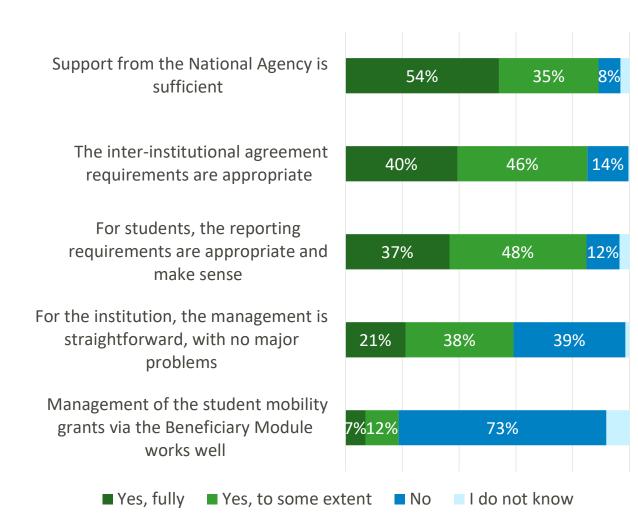
89%

EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q7. How would you assess the Erasmus+ programme? (N= 500) & Q31 Do you agree with the following statements regarding the Erasmus + student mobility? (N=285)



# Mobility management & funding

EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q7.1. How would you assess the Erasmus+ programme?\* (N=500) & Q31 Do you agree with the following statements <u>regarding the Erasmus+</u> <u>student mobility</u>? (N=285)





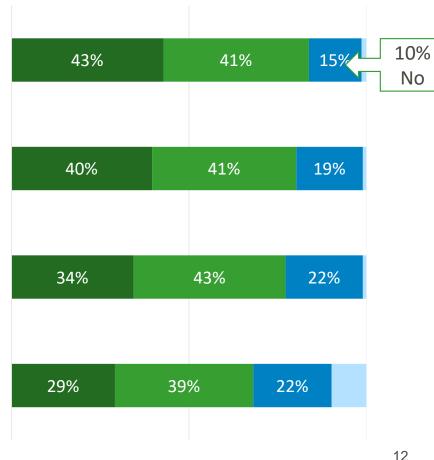
#### **Mobility** management & funding

The overall amount of funding the institution receives is sufficient to send the majority of interested students

The grants provided to student are appropriate (= while it may not cover the full costs, it usually does not hinder students from participating)

The financial rules are clear and easy to apply

Funding ceilings for travel costs are appropriate (= while they may not cover the full costs, they usually do not hinder students from participating)



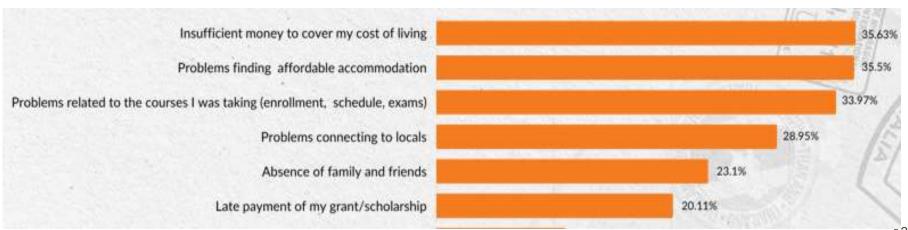
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# Challenges for outgoing students

Students cannot afford it (lack of scholarships, limited coverage of	
costs etc)	81%
For some academic disciplines, credit mobility is difficult	69%
Differences in the academic calendars	68%

EUA Trends 2024 (forthcoming). Q45. What do you see as challenges for your outgoing students (credit mobility)? Yes + Yes, to some extent (N=473)



XV ESNsurvey: Did you experience any of the following issues during your study abroad?. N= approx. 23.000. Draft available online: https://esn.org/news/launch-preliminary-results-xv-esnsurvey



80%+ (yes + yes to some extent): "The overall amount of funding the institution receives is sufficient to send the majority of interested students. & size of the grant does not deter majority of students to participate"

Yet, how come funding is named as number one challenge by students?

Please share the view from your institution.



# Cooperation Partnerships (decentralised)

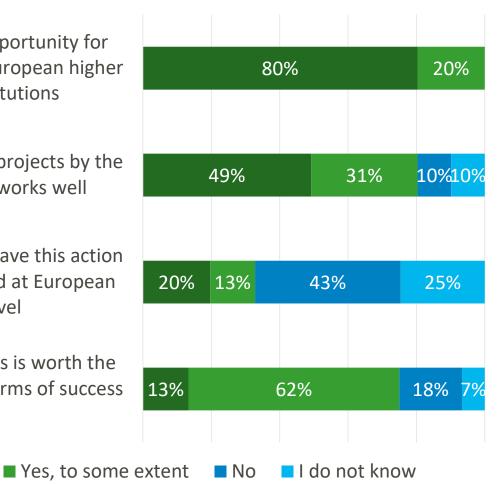
It is an attractive opportunity for cooperation among European higher education institutions

Management of the projects by the National Agency works well

It would be better to have this action selected and managed at European (EACEA) level

Preparing applications is worth the time investment - in terms of success rate

■ Yes, fully



EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q38. KA2: Cooperation Partnerships in the field of education and training (decentralised) Do you agree with the following statements? (N=63)



Cooperation
Partnerships
(decentralised)

EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming

Partnerships in the field of education

agree with the following statements? (N=63) & Q11 Collaboration Projects

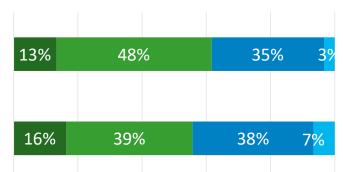
and training (decentralised) Do you

2023). Q38 KA2: Cooperation

(decentralised)

The amount of funding provided by the grant is sufficient.

Unit cost approach: the funding ceilings for staff are appropriate



Lump sums

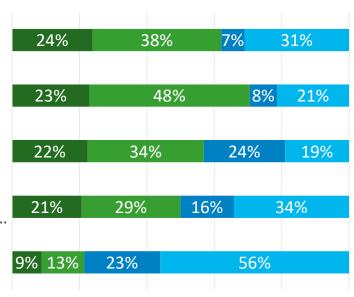
Projects will be easier to manage

The lump sums offered are sufficient to fulfil the objectives of the projects

The financial rules are clear and easy to apply

Not much of a difference, as we have to create budget and do financial reports in...

We would prefer to use the unit cost approach



■ Yes, fully

■ Yes, to some extent

No I do not know

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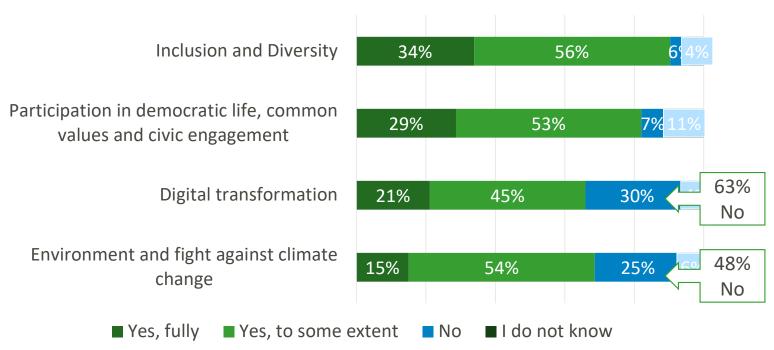


# EUA survey<br/>E+ priorities

EUA survey on Erasmus+ (forthcoming 2023). Q13. Do you think the Erasmus+ programme succeeds in addressing the key priorities it has set for itself?

(N=496)

#### Success in addressing E+ priorities





# E+ priorities in the context of mobility

EUA survey on Erasmus+
(forthcoming 2023). Q24 Has
Erasmus+ contributed to enhancing
attention to equity and inclusion at
your institution? & Q32 Do you
agree with the following statements
regarding new formats offered
under the Erasmus+ mobility? &
Q22 Has Erasmus+ contributed to
enhancing attention to greening and
sustainable development at your
institution?

 Inclusion in mobility has been enhanced

33% yes, fully – 14% no

17% yes fully – 22% no

- Enhanced definition of "(young) people with fewer opportunities" has had a positive impact
- Dedicated top-ups for inclusion helped to enhance participation
   29% yes fully – 12% no

 Green mobility top-ups help to change travel behaviour of students

12% yes, fully – 32% no

- ...travel behaviour of staff
   10% yes, fully 40% no
- New ECHE helps us to promote green modes of travel amongst students and staff

15% yes, fully – 21% no



## Inclusion and green top ups – easy to administer, and useful?

Please share your experience!



#### **EU HAVE YOUR SAY on ERASMUS+**

https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13454-Erasmus+-2021-27-interim-evaluation-Erasmus+-2014-20-final-evaluation en

### Thank you for your attention

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