

Erasmus+ Cooperation Projects – How to initiate a project and how to write a competitive proposal"

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From the idea to the proposal

Best practice from 3 Cooperation Partnerships:

New Modes of Mobility (2019)

BESPOKE (2021)

COMMITTED (2022)



How to choose partners

- Same interests of research
- Ideally experience of every partner in the consortium
- Strategic choice of partner-countries



Preparing the application

Virtual meetings cannot substitute a common workshop!



Most important facts for applying

- Be realistic!
- Be precise!
- Be ambitious!
- Try not to reinvent the wheel, but be innovative!
- Be creative – as a team!



How to choose duration and funds

- Discuss which for which duration (12/24/36m) the workload fits best!
- Make yourself familiar with the evaluation process of the respective National Agency of the Lead Partner before choosing the lump sum (120k/250k/400k).
- Also contact your international offices for experience of former applications!



Useful tips

- Read the given information from the Erasmus+ program thoroughly.
- Ask a representative of the agency if sth. is unclear – they are more than happy to help!
- Make use of the personnel resources of your universities – not everyone is an expert but many people have great ideas.
- Also ask persons who are not familiar with the topic of your application to counter-read it – sometimes you get blind if you see sth. for the 10x time.



Last but not least

Never give up. Also if your application was not graded:

- Keep in touch with your consortium.
- Use the feedback from the agency.
- Improve the application.
- Next call, better luck 😊



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Thank you for your attention!

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