

Austauschtreffen zum EU- Finanzmanagement in Erasmus+ Europäischen Hochschulallianzen

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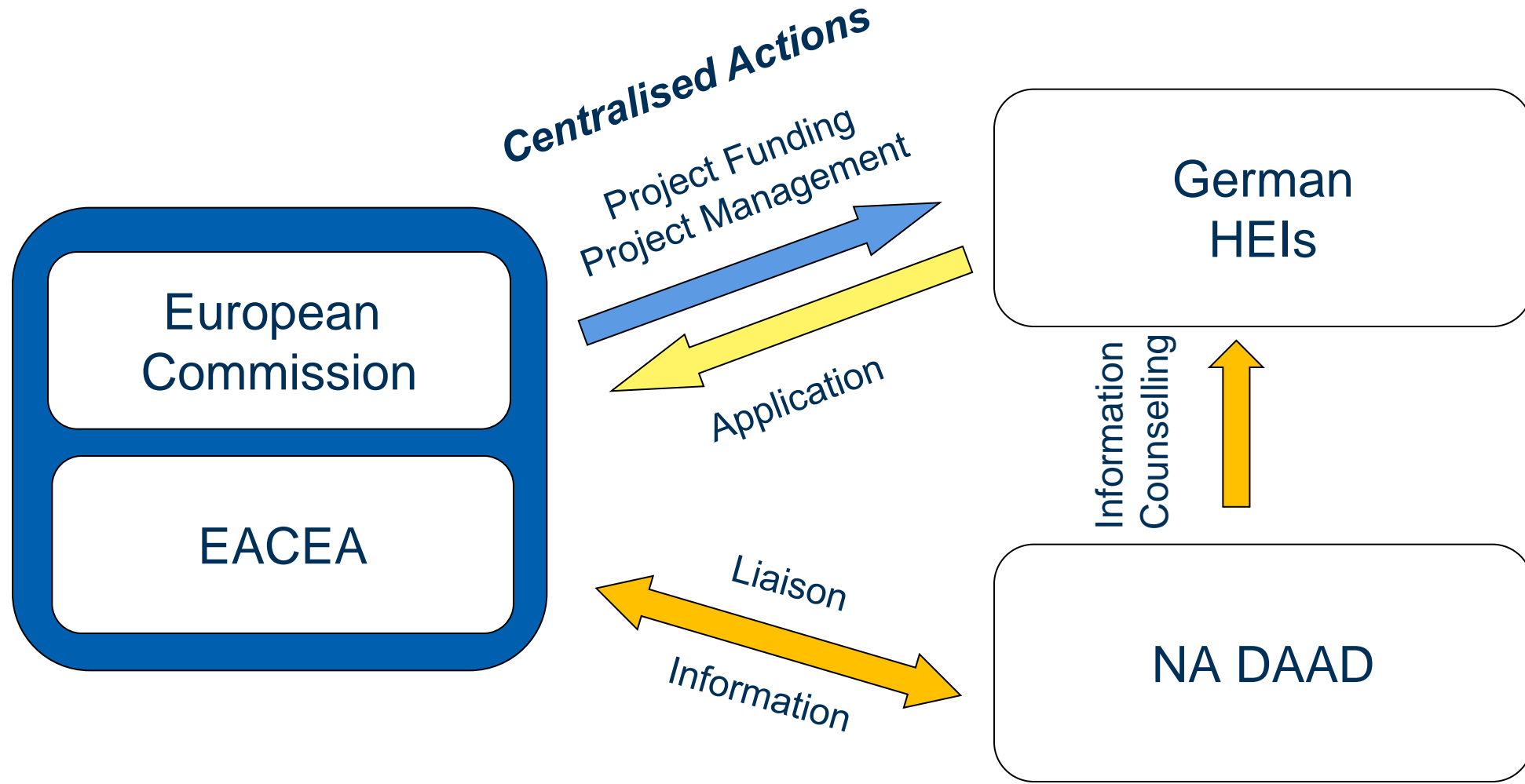
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Agenda

Time	Topic
14:00-14:15	Welcome and introduction
14:15-14:45	Input: Financial Management @ EUPeace – lump sums Alexandre Wipf, Koordinator der Allianz EUPeace an der Universität Marburg
14:45-15:45	Discussion round with all participants and the support of Iwona Jablonska, EACEA, addressing the topics from the registration
16:00	End of the meeting

Erasmus+ centralised actions

Role of the National Agency



Categories of questions/topics of the participants from the registration

- Lump sum funding
 - Implementation
 - Budget management and shifting of funds
 - Reporting
- Financing of activities and additional opportunities
- EUI and Erasmus+ mobilities



In our alliance I

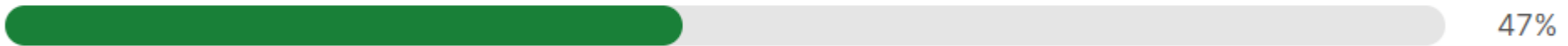
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Multiple Choice Poll 36 votes 36 participants

am primarily responsible for finances - 19 votes



hold a different position - 17 votes

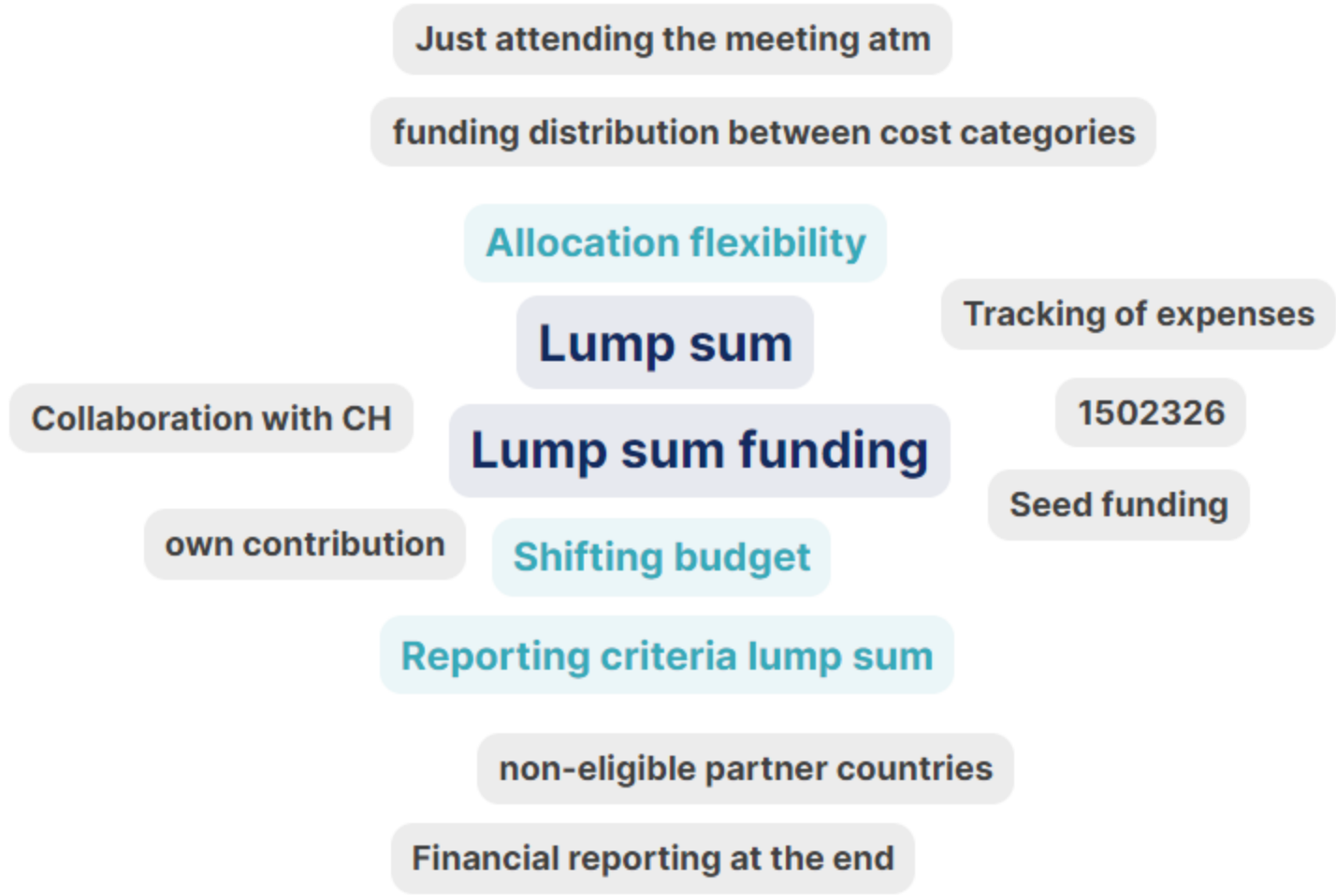




The following financial topic is currently our "hot topic"

Wordcloud Poll 29 responses 25 participants

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I expect the following from todays exchange

Wordcloud Poll 27 responses 26 participants

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Input:

Financial Management @ EUPeace – lump sums

Alexandre Wipf, Philipps-Universität Marburg

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Financial management @ EUPeace – lump sums



Lump sums within EUPeace

Background

- “1 year old”
- No EU-reporting yet
- ... yet not apprehensive



Lump sums within EUPeace

Approach

- Limited intra-alliance financial reporting
- Focus on national/local procedures
- Use submitted budget as reference point
- Pragmatic approach to transferring funds



Lump sums within EUPeace

Perception

- Very positive
- Acknowledge uncertainty for some
- Communication, communication, communication



Lump sums within EUPeace

Some uncertainty/open questions

- Large budget switches (WP/university)
- ‘Man-months’
- Some aspects restricting full potential of lump sums

⇒ Rulebook?

⇒ Even more flexibility?



Thank you – Vielen Dank

Alexandre Wipf

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Group Discussion: Lump Sum – topics from registration

Implementation

- How is the lump sum procedure implemented operationally?
- What challenges exist based on the experience of existing alliances?
- How to provide evidence for lump sum funding?

Budget management and shifting of funds

- Options for shifting budgets between work packages and partners
- Management of co-financing

Reporting

- Type and scope of reporting in lump sum funding
- Beneficiary module - What is it used for? Who needs access?
- Internal reporting (in the alliance) vs EU reporting:
 - How can data be collected from partners without too much bureaucracy?
- (Reporting mobilities)

Group Discussion: Financing of activities and additional opportunities


topics from registration

- Limits to the financing of activities with **associated partners** in Switzerland
- Seed funds: Promotion of innovative ideas and problems with **direct cash payments**
- **Collaborative Research Fund** for the promotion of research projects
- **Sustainability** through additional funding opportunities . Are there checklists for **avoiding double funding** when utilising additional funding opportunities?





















Group Discussion: EUI and Erasmus+ mobilities

topics from registration

- Challenges in the integration of Erasmus+ mobilities
- Sustainable solutions for budgeting and managing mobilities

 How is the information from EU-Com/EACEA (e.g. on the lump sum funding model) passed on within your institution and your alliance?

Open text poll  17 responses  14 participants

-  Anonymous
Institutional coordinators
-  Anonymous
Providing summaries in regular meetings within the alliance.
-  Anonymous
via the FOREU Groups
-  Anonymous
Vielen Dank. Das war sehr interessant und zeitlich.
-  Anonymous
Via alliance coordinator
-  Anonymous
Email, discussion in meetings, share ppt
-  Anonymous
Via alliance coordinator
-  Anonymous
Email, discussion in meetings, share ppt
-  Anonymous
In our alliance finance meetings
-  Anonymous
within the alliance: via coordinating partner on technical level
-  Anonymous
EU portal
-  Anonymous
send information/links of info sessions
-  Anonymous
via the Managing Director
-  Anonymous
Via the alliance coordination office/network
-  Anonymous
Poorly
-  Anonymous
Emails, ppts
-  Anonymous
send information/links of info sessions
-  Anonymous
Financial officer
-  Anonymous
via the EU portal
-  Anonymous
forward the PPT



Is there a bottleneck in the information transfer from your point of view?

If so, what is it?

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Open text poll 10 responses 10 participants

Anonymous

Anonymous

There are differences in the interpretation also between the partner universities

Anonymous

Anonymous

I think a rulebook from EACEA is missing

Anonymous

Anonymous

The interpretation of new information is very diverse

Anonymous

Anonymous

Only when colleagues are on holiday/sick and there is no substitute

Anonymous

Anonymous

Yes, but not identified where it is (yet)

Anonymous

Anonymous

No

Closing of the meeting

Yvonne Schnocks, NA DAA

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How does NA DAAD support the EUI?

- **Application advice and support** (info sessions; counselling) → showing possible synergies with other Erasmus+ funding lines
- **Public relations:** website, [DAADeuroletter](#), E+ Newsletter, Publications, DAAD impact report, press releases
- **Networking:** conferences, mailing list „EUN-Forum“
- Participation in stakeholder working groups (e.g. ACA)
- TCA-Conference May 2023 (NO, AT, DE) [“Spreading innovative results from European University Alliances to other higher education institutions”](#)
- LTA (Longterm Activity), 2024-2027, (DE, NO, AT, HU) [‘Spreading innovative results from European University Alliances \(EUI\) to other higher education institutions’](#)
- [Erasmus+ Annual Conference](#) & Heads of International Offices Conference 2023: Sessions on „European Universities as role models – How can other HEIs benefit?“

3 units in DAAD are involved (2 in Erasmus; 1 national co-funding)

66 German HEIs participate in 58 of 64 alliances



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Erasmus+ Long-Term-Activity: European University Initiative – Spreading Innovative Results to other Higher Education Institutions

Goal: to facilitate the dissemination of experiences of the European Universities Alliances to higher education institutions not involved in the initiative. Acting as role models is a core task of the Alliances and at the same time a challenging mission.

Activity Period: 2024-2027

Consortium: 4 National Agencies (Austria (AT01), Germany (DE01), Hungary (HU01) and Norway (NO01)

KEY FOCUS

- The LTA consists of events, surveys, analyses and the establishment of a structured dialogue

Meetings and Conferences

- Informal NA meetings with interested NAs
- Conferences on ‘Spreading innovative results’ (follow-up of Bergen) in 2025 and 2027

Surveys and Papers

- Survey on non-EUI’s necessities (2024)
- Overview on possible benefits/transformational deliverables (2024/2025)
- Analysis on reinforcing links between NAs, Alliances and non-Alliances HEIs and exploring the potential of transformative impact
- Recommendations for the successful transfer of results

Networking and Dissemination

- Setting up a coordinated dialogue among NAs, Commission and EACEA
- Dissemination activities



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