

Information for partner higher education institutions (HEIs) planning to cooperate with Polish HEIs under the KA107-2018 call for proposals (international credit mobility)

Applications should be submitted by the deadline of 1st of February 2018 at 12:00 (midday, Brussels time) for projects starting on the 1st June. The applications are to be submitted by Polish HEIs to the Erasmus+ National Agency in Poland.

The partner universities should be involved in preparation of the application. Lack of description of the quality questions from the partner university perspective negatively influences result of the quality assessment. Guidelines on how to prepare an application are available at the webpage http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents-for-applicants/model-application-forms_en (including “Dos and don’ts for applicant higher education institutions”).

The budget for the international credit mobility under the call 2018 for Poland is very limited and will not cover expectations and demand of all HEIs. The table below presents how much funds is going to be available for Poland for both incoming and outgoing, student and staff mobility flows.

Region	Financial instrument (budgetary envelope)	Countries included in the budgetary envelope	Limitations and other conditions related to the envelope	Expected budget, 2018 ¹
Region 1 Western Balkans	IPA	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia	None	2 142 444 €
Region 2 Eastern Partnership	ENI East	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Territory of Ukraine as recognised by international law	None	1 821 827 €
Region 3 South-Mediterranean Partnership	ENI South	Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia	None	2 288 320 €
Region 4 Russia	Russia	Territory of Russia as recognised by international law	None	1 056 284 €
Region 6 Asia	DCI Asia	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, DPR Korea, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam	Student outgoing mobility from PL to partner countries at first and second cycle is not eligible . At least 25% of funds should be spent on mobility with the least developed countries of the region, i.e., (Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Cambodia, Laos, Nepal, Bhutan and Myanmar).	1 293 262 €

¹ Information about final amount should be provided by the Commission soon. If any, small changes are expected.

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			No more than 30% of funds should be spent on mobility with China and India.	
Region 7 Central Asia	DCI Central Asia	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan	Student outgoing mobility from PL to partner countries at first and second cycle is not eligible .	413 486 €
Region 8 Latin America	DCI Latin America	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela	Student outgoing mobility from PL to partner countries at first and second cycle is not eligible . At least 25% of funds should be spent on mobility with the least developed countries of the region, i.e., (Bolivia, El Salvador Guatemala, Honduras, Paraguay). No more than 35% of funds should be spent on mobility with Brazil and Mexico.	419 382 €
Region 9 Iran, Iraq, Yemen	DCI Middle East	Iran, Iraq, Yemen	Student outgoing mobility from PL to partner countries at first and second cycle is not eligible .	194 154 €
Region 10 South Africa	DCI South Africa	South Africa	Student outgoing mobility from PL to partner countries at first and second cycle is not eligible .	121 099 €
Region 11 ACP (African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States)	EDF	Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo, Congo - Democratic Republic of the, Cook Islands, Djibouti, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, Kenya, Kiribati, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Micronesia- Federated States of, Mozambique, Namibia, Nauru, Niger, Nigeria, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Saint Kitts And Nevis, Sainte Lucia, Saint Vincent And The Grenadines, Samoa, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Timor Leste - Democratic Republic of, Tanzania, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tuvalu, Uganda, Vanuatu, Zambia, Zimbabwe	Student outgoing mobility from PL to partner countries at first and second cycle is not eligible .	419 702 €

Region 13.1 Industrialised Americas	PI Americas	Canada, United States of America	None	455 321 €
Region 13.2 Industrialised Asia	PI Asia	Australia, Brunei, Hong Kong, Japan, (Republic of) Korea, Macao, New Zealand, Singapore, Taiwan	None	481 953 €
Region 14		Faroe Islands, Switzerland	Strictly limited to outgoing Student Mobility for Traineeships in „digital skills” (from Poland to Faroe Islands or Switzerland).	Not specified yet
Total:				11 107 237 €

Poland has not defined any secondary criteria.

While allocating the budget, NA will have to follow all geographical balances describe above. The targets do not have to be attained by individual higher education institutions, but National Agencies will take these targets into account in the process of budget allocation.

The application will be assessed against four quality criteria:

1. Relevance of the strategy (maximum 30 points);
2. Quality of the cooperation arrangements (maximum 30 points);
3. Quality of the activity design and implementation (maximum 20 points);
4. Impact and dissemination (maximum 20 points).

The maximum total overall score is 100 points. To be considered for funding, proposal must score at least 60 points, with a minimum of 15 points for „relevance of the strategy”. National Agency may define higher score than 60 for proposals to be considered for funding in case the total requested amount is higher than the budget available for Poland. More information is available in the 2018 Programme Guide (https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus2/files/files/resources/erasmus-plus-programme-guide_en.pdf). According to information provided in the Guide, applicants are encouraged to cooperate with HEIs in the poorest and least developed Partner Countries. National Agency can take decision to finance mobilities with a country located lower in the ranking, if it will be necessary to ensure geographical balance within a given region.

Each partner country will be assessed separately. This means that the quality assessment can lead to the following situation:

- a) a given Polish HEI will not receive funds for mobility with any partner country;
- b) a given Polish HEI will receive funds for mobility with limited number of partner countries (lower than applied for);
- c) funds for cooperation with a particular partner country will allow to implement a lower number of mobilities that planned in the application.

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In general the final grant amount awarded to a single participant must correspond to the duration of the mobility. However, exceptionally it is possible to conduct mobility without a grant associated to it if agreed so between participant and both universities.

The monthly grant for student is:

- 800 euro for students from Partner Countries incoming to Poland,
- 700 euro for students from Polish HEIs outgoing to Partner Countries.

The daily grant for staff is:

- 140 euro for staff members from Partner Countries incoming to Poland,
- 180 euro for staff from Polish HEIs outgoing to Partner Countries.

The rates are valid for stays up to 14 days. As from the 15th day the rates are accordingly: 98 euro and 126 euro.

Support for travel costs will be defined individually for each mobility participant and will depend on the travel distance, as explained in the Programme Guide 2018, (page 48).

Amount of the Organisational Support (OS): 350 euro per participant. The amount for OS should be shared between Polish and Partner Country HEI, as agreed in the Inter-Institutional Agreement and before the first mobility takes place at the latest.