



Erasmus +

Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJMDs)



Your Speaker Today

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Our Talk Today

- What is *Erasmus+* Learning mobility and its objectives?
- The structure of the program
- Through which actions individuals can benefit from the program?
- The application procedure
- How to make quality applications
- Resources, useful information, guidance



Erasmus+ objectives

- Enhance the quality of European HE through international co-operation
- Improve the development of human resources
- Promote dialogue and understanding between people and cultures
- Promote Europe as a centre of excellence in learning around the world
- Provide opportunity for third countries to benefit from European resources to raise quality of education of in third countries.



Erasmus Mundus vs Erasmus+

- Same programme but restructured and unified for reducing the complexity of application process and management of various programmes.
- Erasmus Mundus 2004 – 2013
 - Note: Some the projects/programmes for which the funding was approved in past years will continue to offer opportunities until they retire by 2017.
- Erasmus+ 2014 – 2020
- 40% increase in budget in Erasmus+
- Many more opportunities in Erasmus+ including youth, cultural and sports exchange.



How was learning mobility for individuals in Erasmus Mundus (2004 – 2013)

- Action 1, Erasmus Mundus Master Courses (EMMC)
 - Full Masters courses, joint or multiple degree at the end of the course, compulsory mobility, highly paid stipend, highly competitive
 - Between 2004-2012 scholarships for over 14,000 masters students.
 - In 2013, a total of 138 different master courses were offered.
- Action 1, Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorates (EMJD)
 - Full Doctoral Study, compulsory mobility, highly paid stipend
 - Between 2008-2013 and 640 doctoral fellowship awarded
 - In 2013, a total of 45 doctoral courses offered.
 - Existing PhDs will be offered until 2017 but new PhD courses will be offered under Marie-Sklodowska-Curie Actions.



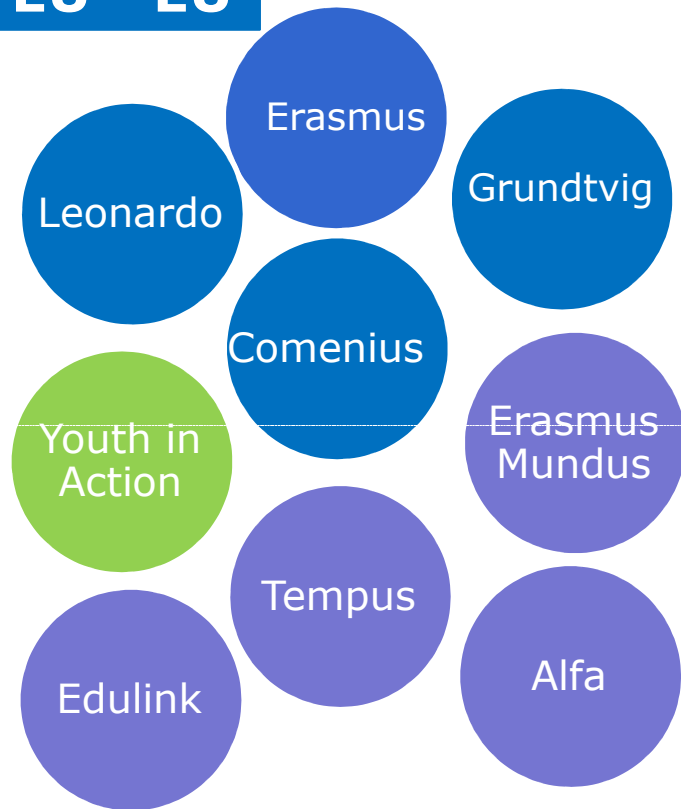
How was learning mobility for individuals in *Erasmus Mundus* (2004 – 2013) cont....

- Erasmus Mundus Action 2: Partnership with third countries HEIs
 - Scholarship for exchange studies for a period of 3 months upto 12 months.
 - Generally, exchange studies without degrees. But full master courses/degrees are also funded.
 - Exchange studies at all levels, bachelors, masters, doctorate, post doctorate
 - Partner universities in Pakistan. Such as Panjab university is a partner in *EXPERTS* and MAJU is a partner in *SmtLink*
 - The current project will run until 2017 (so you can apply!!) but action 2 will eventually be replaced by Credit Mobility in *Erasmus+*.

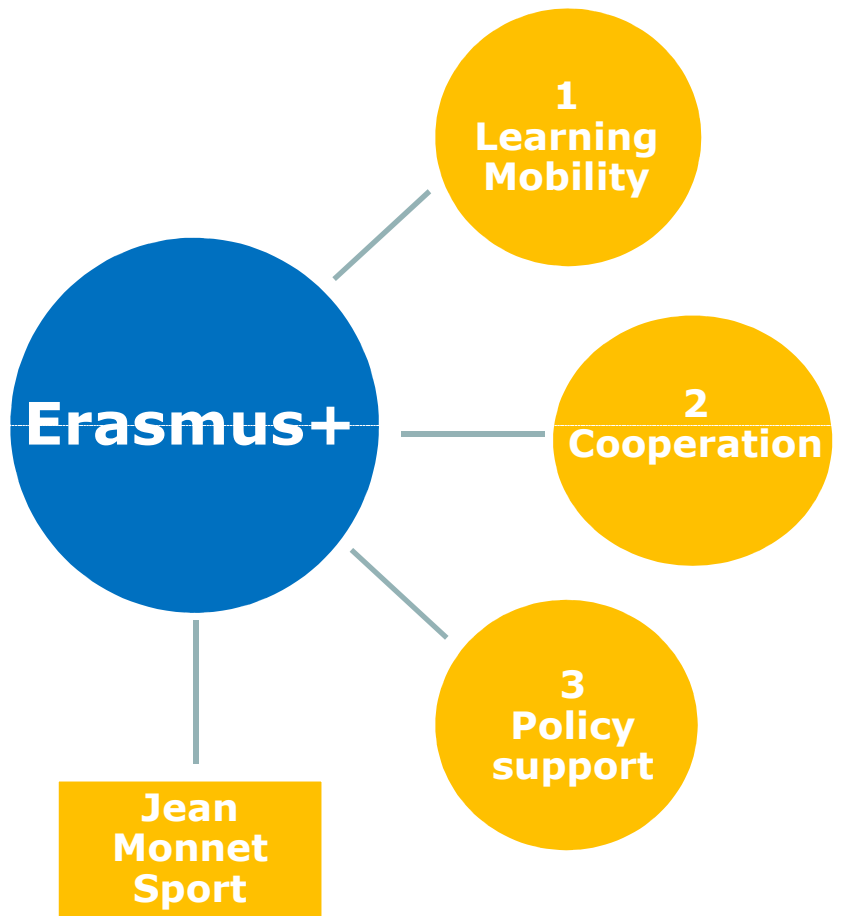
2007-2013

2014-2020

EU - EU



International





Going Forward! Erasmus+

Erasmus Mundus

Action 1 EMMC



Action 2 Partnerships



EMJD



Erasmus+

EMJMD

Credit mobility

Marie-Sklodowska-Curie
Actions



***Erasmus+*: Learning Mobility for Individuals?**

- Scholarships for excellent students and researchers to follow an Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters degree EMJMD (formally Erasmus Mundus Master Course)
- Top-quality masters in a broad variety of disciplines
- A scheme open to students throughout the world



Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

An EM Masters Course/Degree

- is developed and delivered by a consortium of HEIs (with study in at least two HEIs)
- The consortium must involve at least three European HEIs and may or may not involve non-EU HEIs
- co-ordinated by a European university (non-European universities can only be partners).
- provides full-study scholarships
- awards a joint degree/multiple degrees at the conclusion of program/course.



Student Scholarship holders will:

- Receive a **full scholarship** covering their **tuition fees, travel and living costs**
- Be covered by health and accident **insurance**
- **Study** (perform research, undergo a placement) in at least **two different Programme Countries** of the EMJMD consortium
- Be awarded a fully **recognised joint or multiple degree** (comprising a Joint Diploma Supplement) after having successfully completed their master
- Join the **Erasmus+ Student and Alumni Association**



Grant – Budget for *Individual*

To the attention of the Individual = Student

- maximum 25 000 EUR per academic year and per scholarship
- actual amount of the individual scholarships will vary in accordance with
 - a) the **EMJMD length** (60, 90 or 120 ECTS)
 - b) the student country/region of **residence**
 - c) the EMJMD **participation costs**

Practically student scholarships include:

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| ➤ a travel allowance: | 1 000 to 3 000 EUR per academic year |
| ➤ an installation allowance:
<i>only</i> | 1 000 EUR - <i>Partner Country students</i> |
| ➤ a fixed monthly allowance: | 1 000 - 1500 EUR - all students |
| ➤ participation costs/tuition fees:
student | MAX. 9 000 EUR / year - Partner Country
4 500 EUR / year - Programme Country |



Joint Masters Degrees – Thematic disciplines

- [Agricultural and Forestry Sciences](#)
- [Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning](#)
- [Art and Design](#)
- [Business Studies, Management Science and Economics](#)
- [Communication and Information Sciences](#)
- [Engineering and Technology](#)
- [Geography, Earth and Environmental Studies](#)
- [Health Sciences](#)
- [Humanities & Law](#)
- [Languages and Philological Sciences](#)
- [Mathematics and Informatics \(Computer Science\)](#)
- [Social & Natural Sciences](#)



How do I apply to Joint Masters Degrees?

- Go to the EMJMD course catalogue:
https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/scholarships-catalogue_en
- You can view all available courses or search for courses in a specific discipline of your interest.
- Once you have made your selection, go to the website of your chosen course - the course website will give you the details you require about tuition, fees, application procedures, etc.
- Most programmes require online application submission. Some courses may require you to send a hard copy via post. PLEASE CHECK!!
- You will study in more than one university, but the application is made only to the coordinating university of the consortium.



Application Requirements

You:

- Should have obtained a relevant higher education degree.
- fulfil the specific selection criteria defined by the Joint Masters of your choice.
- may not have received an EM Master Course scholarship in the past
- can submit a scholarship application to **maximum three EMJMD programmes**

How should I proceed with my application?

Timing	What to do?
As from September	Find and select your EM Joint Programme (you can only apply to a max. of 3 programmes)
Deadline indicated by the consortium	Submit your scholarship application (deadline <u>usually</u> between early November to late January the following year - check carefully for your course)
March	Selection results
From April	Acceptance of your scholarship/fellowship Start preparing your stay in EU
September	Normal start of the courses/doctorates



Lets not forget that Erasmus Mundus Action 2 will still accept applications

Let's discuss that too briefly!



Action 2: Partnerships with Third Country HEIs.

- Support for the establishment of cooperation partnerships between European higher education institutions and higher education institutions from targeted Third Countries with the objective of organizing and implementing structured individual mobility arrangements between the European and Third Country partners.
- Scholarships of various lengths - depending on the priorities defined for the Third Country concerned, the level of studies or the particular arrangements agreed within the partnership - for European and Third-Country individuals (students, scholars, researchers, professionals).



Action 2: Partnerships with Third Country HEIs.

- Partnerships between HEIs from EU + non-EU HEIs from a specific region
- Emphasise co-operation, transfer of know-how
- Scholarships of varying length (3m to 3 yr)
- Bachelor, master, doctorate, post-doctorate students + HE staff (training, teaching, research)
- Two-way mobility for academic disciplines offered by HEIs in the partnership



Action 2: Partnerships with Third Country HEIs.

- At least 5 European HEIs From at least 3 EU countries
- At least 1 HEI from each country in geographic lot
- Maximum size partnership: 20 partners
- € 10,000 per partner flat rate for partnership management (max € 200,000)
- Scholarships cover costs of travel, subsistence, participation (fees), insurance and visa



Action 2: Partnerships with Third Country HEIs.

- New Action 2 Projects selected in 2014 where Pakistan has a partner university:
 - [LEADERS](#)
 - [SmtLink](#)
 - [EXPERTS](#)
 - [LEADER](#)
- Certain partnerships selected in 2013 may still offer scholarships:
 - [Clink](#)
 - [EMEA](#)
 - [EXPERTS III](#)
 - [EMMA-WEST 2013](#)
- You can find a full listing of all [Erasmus Mundus Action 2 partnerships](#) on the Erasmus Mundus website, including project descriptions.



Student selection for Erasmus Mundus scholarships

All students are selected by consortia / partnerships

1. Students review:
 - the EMJMD on offer (Action 1)
 - the partnerships for which they are eligible (based on their nationality) and the study opportunities they offer (Action 2)
2. Students apply directly to the course (coordinating University) or partnership

Too much information???





In a nutshell

Students in higher education can receive scholarships for:

- Undergraduate studies
 - Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (old projects), credit mobility based on bilateral agreements (Erasmus+ alternate of action 2 and discussed in detail in the next presentation)
- Full Masters scholarship
 - Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees (EMJMD)
 - Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (only few projects have the possibility for full masters)
- Doctoral candidates
 - EMJMD (only the few remaining projects)
 - Exchange programmes through Erasmus Mundus Action 2
 - Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions (to be discussed in next session)
- Post-doctoral studies
 - Erasmus Mundus Action 2
 - Marie Skłodowska-Curie actions



How to make a quality application?

- Making a quality application is a skill that needs to be mastered.
- Following elements are important:
 - Relevance of your previous education to the program you are applying to.
 - Your grades!!!
 - Essays: Statement of Purpose/Motivation Letter/Personal Statement

How good you can market yourself, your degree and your skills and the relevance of all these to the masters program you are applying to. Indicating your familiarity , interest and the knowledge about the program, the study and research you will carry out there and the salient features of the program, the universities involved and the mobility.
 - Reference Letters

Cohesiveness with your SOP.
The referee must be google-able
 - Language Proficiency: IELTS, TOEFL etc.



If you are successful!

The consortium to which you successfully applied will provide you with:

- a scholarship confirmation letter.
- an acceptance letter from the first university.
- medical/accident insurance to cover your stay in Europe.



If you are successful!

- Prepare your visa requests/other administrative procedures.
- Ensure you have all the necessary documents ready well in advance (certificates, transcripts, certified copies)
- Ensure that you are properly informed about your rights and obligations (e.g. tuition and other fees, class attendance, examination mechanisms, final degree, etc.)
- Ask advice and support from fellow students who have already benefited from an EM scholarship



Some Useful Links

Information on the Erasmus Mundus Programme

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus

E-mail enquiries to European Commission about the programme

EACEA-erasmus-mundus@ec.europa.eu

Erasmus Mundus Students & Alumni Association

<http://www.em-a.eu>

<https://www.facebook.com/ErasmusMundusAssociation>

Study in Europe Website

<http://ec.europa.eu/education/study-in-europe>

<http://www.studyportals.eu/>

Blog for Pakistani students who wish to apply for Erasmus Mundus/Erasmus+

<http://www.emapakistan.wordpress.com>



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- Get in contact with us!
 - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/587575237956355/>
 - Join our mailing list and ask questions from our alumni at:
ema-pakistan@yahoogroups.com
 - Send emails to country Representative at:
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 - For basic information on the program an applications please follow our blog:
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Questions!!!



Thank you for your attention

