

Eligibility criteria

Mobility of European students

The eligibility criteria for students are:

1. The student must have the nationality of one of the eligible European countries;
2. The student must have sufficient knowledge of the language of the courses;
3. The student must be registered at one of the partner European institutions or;
4. For post-doctorate mobility only, the student must have obtained his/her doctorate in the last two years and must have the support of one of the European partner universities to carry out a post-doctorate mobility. This can be for research, training and following up highly specialized courses;
5. Undergraduate students must have successfully completed at least one year of studies at higher education level.

Studying abroad may include a work training period, provided that it is preceded by a minimum period of study abroad of three months and that it is recognized as an integral part of the student's programme and provided that this is allowed by the hosting countries regulations.

Mobility of Iran, Iraq, and Yemen students

The eligibility criteria for students are:

1. Students must have the nationality of one of the Lot 8 countries comprising Iran, Iraq, and Yemen and have sufficient knowledge of the language of the courses;
2. For Target Group 1: students need to be registered at one of the Lot 8 countries (Iran, Iraq, and Yemen) partner institutions. Undergraduate students must have successfully completed at least one year of studies in their home institution;
3. For Target Group 2: candidates need either to be registered in a university of the Lot 8 countries or to have obtained a diploma from a higher education institution of one of these Lot 8 countries. They will need to justify how this study period abroad will benefit them (and their direct socio-economical environment) and include letters of support in their individual application;
4. For target group 3, students need to be nationals of one of the Lot 8 countries and be part of the vulnerable target groups;

Academic staff mobility

In the context of the individual mobility flows, academic staff mobility refers exclusively to training, teaching and/or research activities performed by invited academic staff of partner universities in host institutions which are members of the partnership.

The objectives of "academic staff mobility" must be:

- to provide academic staff with opportunities for professional and personal development, through the possibility of doing practical training, research or teaching assignments in a partner institution;
- to encourage universities to broaden and enrich the range and content of courses they offer;
- to allow students to benefit from the knowledge and expertise of academic

- staff from universities in participating in the partnership;
- to consolidate links between institutions in different countries;
- to promote exchange of expertise and experience on pedagogical methods;
- to strengthen the capacity for international cooperation;
- to prepare long-term recognition of studies between institutions through ECTS (European credit transfer system) or other compatible systems.

Academic staff undertaking a period of teaching, training or research in a partner university must

1. Work in or be associated to one of the participating institutions;
2. Have the nationality of one of the eligible countries and;
3. Be fully integrated into the Department or Faculty of the host institution(s).

This last criterion means that:

- The mobility assignments must be based on partnership agreements between the members of the partnership.
- The home and host universities and the individual teachers must agree on the programme of lectures to be delivered by the visiting teachers, on the research activities or type of training to be followed
- The exchange may constitute a post-per-post exchange or a one-way visitor flow to or from a third country

In the selection process, *priority* will be given to mobility assignments which will also:

- ensure that the visiting teacher's contributions will be an integral part of a diploma programme of the host institution;
- will lead to the production of new teaching material;
- will be used to consolidate and extend links between departments and faculties and to prepare for future cooperation projects between the sending and host university
- will help strengthen the international cooperation departments in the foreign universities
- will lead to progresses in the application of ECTS or other systems for recognition of studies in the partner institution