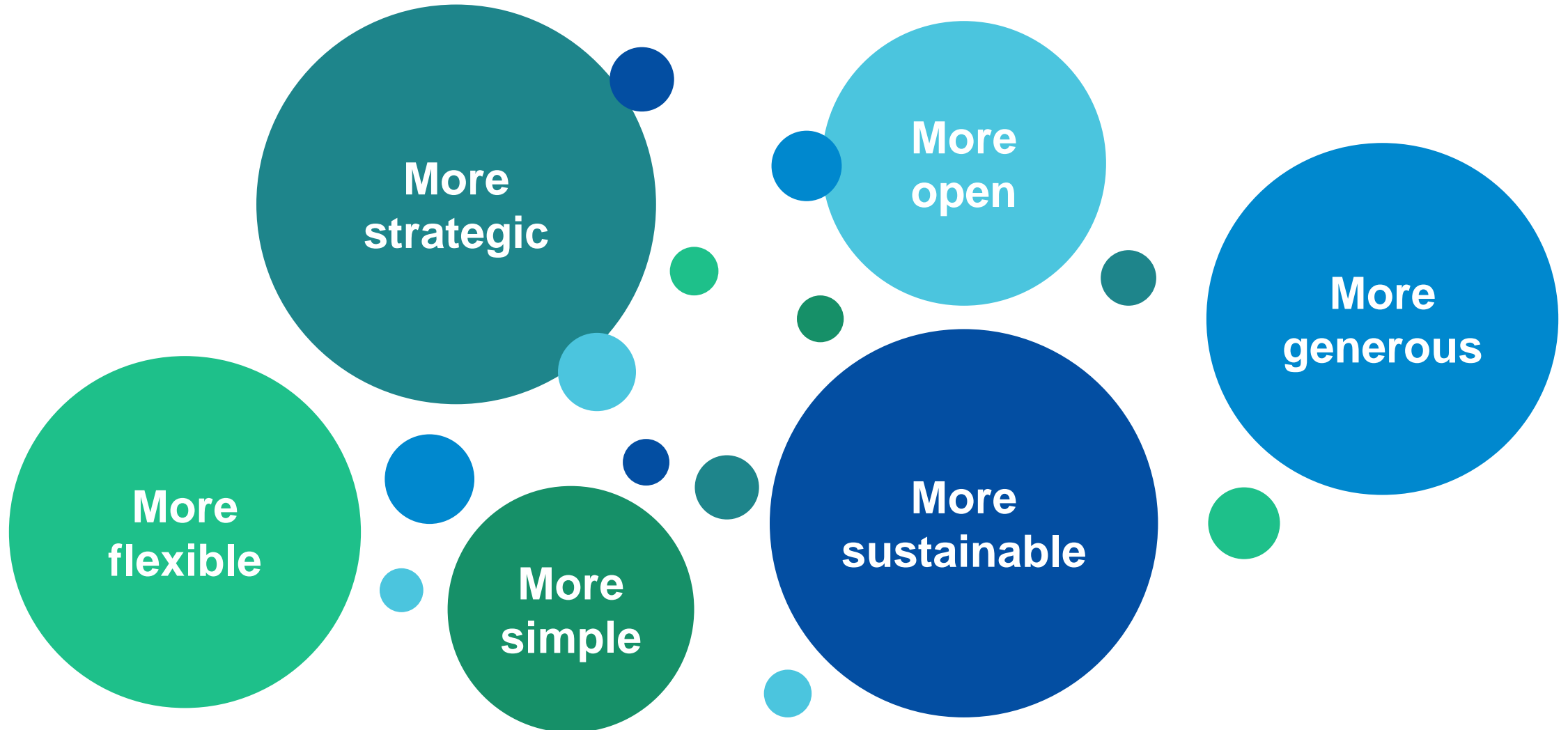




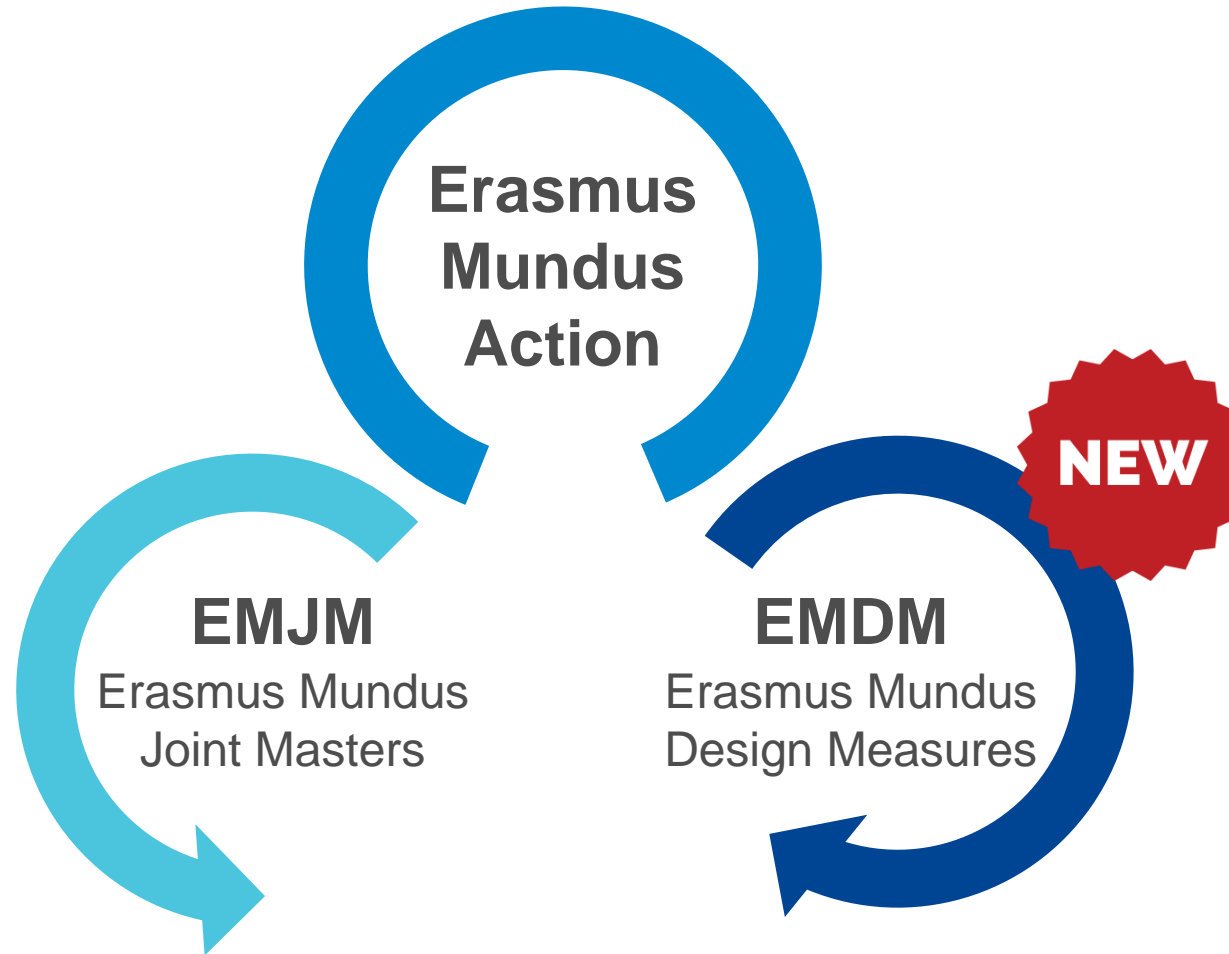
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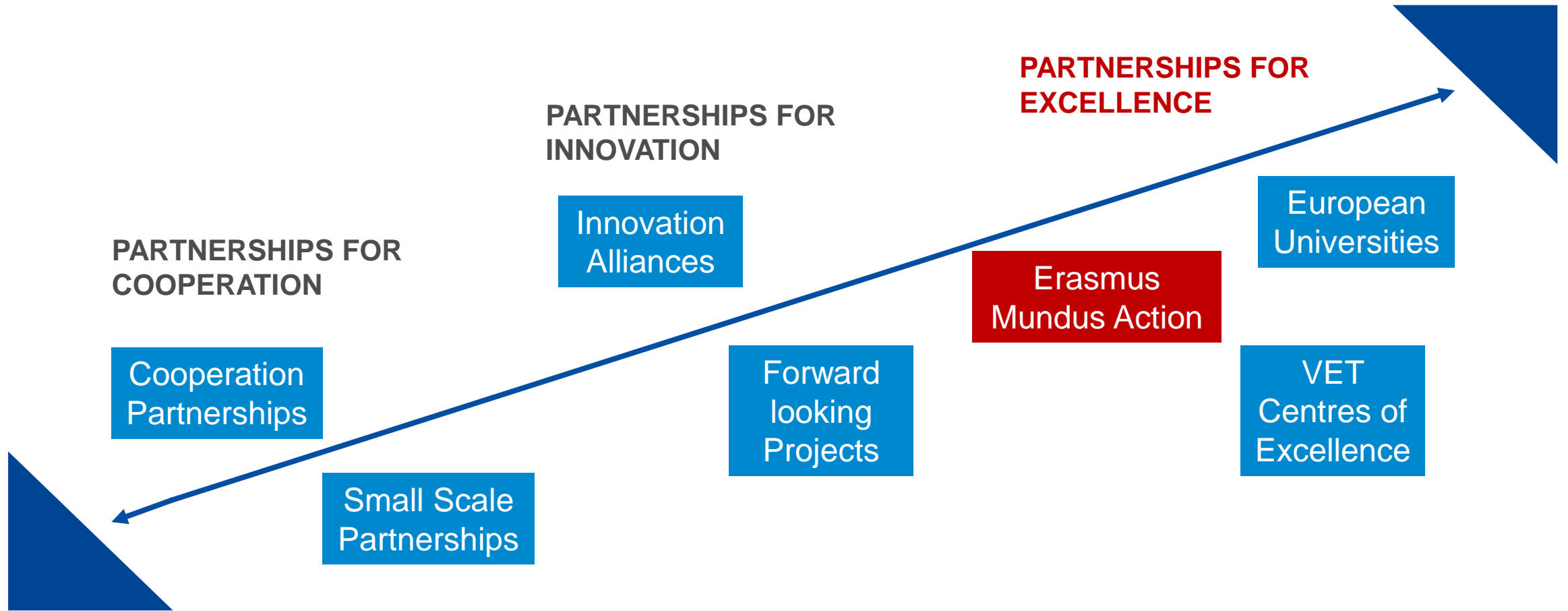
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Key Action 2 – Different cooperation models



EMJM in brief...

- ✓ A **high-level integrated & transnational** study programme at **MA level**
- ✓ A Master programme of **excellence open to all disciplines**
- ✓ Delivered by an **international consortium** of HEIs from different countries **worldwide** & other educational and/or non educational partners
- ✓ Offering **high-level scholarships** to excellent students worldwide

EMJM – main objectives

- ✓ **Support quality, innovation, excellence, internationalisation** of HEIs through **academic cooperation** within the EHEA and beyond
- ✓ **Increase quality** and **attractiveness** of the EHEA
- ✓ **Support EU External Action** in higher education
- ✓ **Increase synergies between HE, innovation and research**
- ✓ **Improve competences, skills, employability** of Master graduates
- ✓ **Respond to societal and labour market needs**

International cooperation



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Erasmus Mundus Action – New terminology

- **New name** : EMJMD becomes EMJM – Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters
- Erasmus Mundus Action: **2 independent lots** 
 - EM Joint Masters
 - EM Design Measures
- **Enrolled students**: both scholarship holders and non-scholarship holders
- **Edition** replaces intake (full master programme cycle of either 120, 90 or 60 ECTS)

EMJM – main requirements (1)

- **a jointly designed fully integrated curriculum and common implementation** procedures based on the Standards for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes in the EHEA (e.g. joint selection, promotion, common services, joint administrative and financial management, etc.)
- be delivered by a **consortium of at least three HEIs** from three different countries of which at least two must be EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme
- **international outreach to attract and enrol excellent students worldwide** (part of which may benefit from an EMJM scholarship)

EMJM – main requirements (2)

- **compulsory physical mobility** for all enrolled students – at least 2 study periods in two countries with a minimum duration of one academic semester each (different from the country of residence of students)
- **contribution of scholars/guest lecturers** to teaching, training and research activities
- delivery of a **joint degree or multiple degrees** (joint degrees are highly recommended where national legislation allows it)

 At application stage EMJM proposals must present fully developed joint study programmes, ready to run and to be advertised worldwide after their selection.

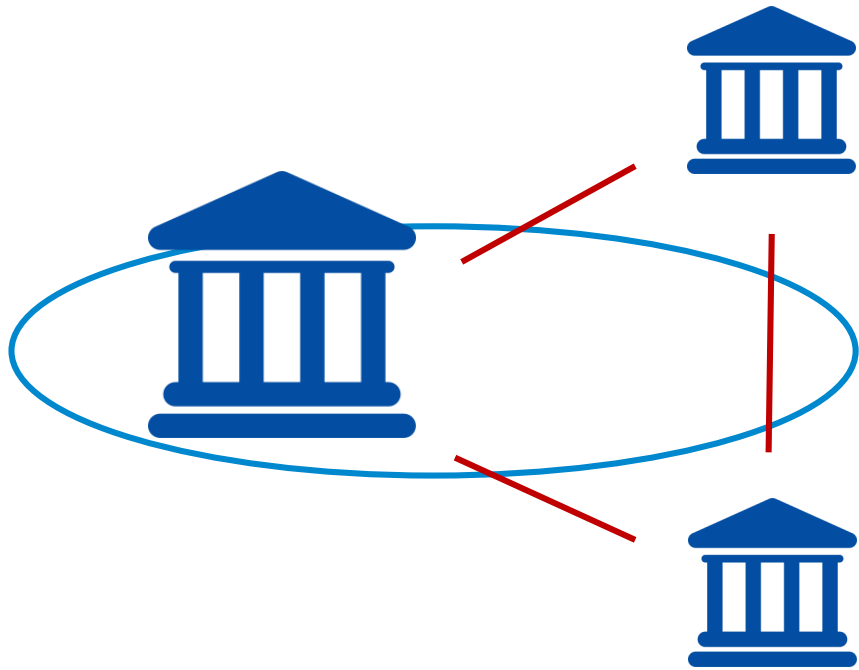
EMJM Set-up (1)

- **Fixed Grant Agreement of 74 months** independently from the length of the master
- **Commitment to enroll a certain number of students** per project
- **At least 4 master editions** lasting 1 to 2 academic years (60, 90 or 120 ECTS)
- **Start of the 1st edition** no later than the academic year following the year of project selection
- **At least 2 study periods in 2 countries** (of which at least one in an EU Member State or a third country associated to the Programme and both different from the country of residence of students)
- **Geographical balance of students:** no more than 10% of total scholarships per project awarded to students of the same nationality (does not apply to additional scholarships for targeted regions)



NEW

Taking part as an Organisation



- Applicants (coordinator and full partners) must be legal entities: HEIs established in an EU Member State, third country associated to the Programme or an eligible third country not associated to the Programme
- Association or organisation of HEIs, public or private organisations established in an EU Member State, third country associated to the Programme or eligible third country not associated to the Programme may also participate but not as coordinator
- ✓ HEIs in EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme: **valid ECHE**
- ✓ HEIs in third countries not associated to the Programme: **should commit to ECHE principles** in the Partnership Agreement
- ✓ HEIs from EU Member States, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme: **completed accreditation/evaluation of the master programme** 

Minimum consortium: **3 HEIs from 3 different countries** of which at least 2 must be an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme

+ optional

Other full academic or non-academic partners

Associated partners

Opportunities for HEIs

**High
visibility
in an
international
programme
of
excellence**

**Structured
and
sustainable
academic
cooperation
worldwide**

**Attractive
simplified
EU funding
scheme**

**Selection of
the most
talented
students
worldwide**

Taking part as an individual



- Open to students worldwide
- Applicants:
 - ✓ must hold a **first higher education degree** or equivalent
 - ✓ must not **have benefited previously** from an EMJM scholarship 
- **The best ones can benefit from a scholarship** depending on the number of scholarships available
- ✓ **Students apply directly to the EMJM consortium**
Catalogue of running Master courses :
[Erasmus Mundus Catalogue \(europa.eu\)](http://europa.eu)

Opportunities for Students

**High degree
of expertise
with a
specialisation
component**

**A unique
mobility
experience
recognized
by joint
/multiple
degree**

**Attractive
EU
scholarship
for the best
selected
students**

**High
employability
through key
competences
and soft
skills**



EMJM FUNDING RULES



1 simplified EU GRANT



2 main targets



3 components
=
3 unit cost



Grant composition: EMJMD vs. EMJM

	EMJMD (€)			EMJM (€)		
		Partner country student (>4000km)	Partner Country student (<4000km)	Programme Country student	Scholarship holders	Non-scholarship holders
Scholarship part	<i>Installation costs</i>	1000	1000	0	1400 / month	NA
	<i>Travel Costs</i>	3000 / year	2000 / year	1000 / year		
	<i>Subsistence costs</i>	1000 / month	1000 / month	1000 / month		
	Total / month (120 ECTS)	1.300,00 €	1.200,00 €	1.100,00 €		
Institutional part	Participation costs	4500 / semester	4500 / semester	2250 / semester	750 / month	
	Management lump sum	20.000 / preparatory year				
		50.000 / intake				
Special Needs	NA			3.000 to 60.000		

Institutional costs

➤ **Implementation costs** of the study programme

➤ **unit cost** per enrolled student of €750/month



How to calculate: $\text{€750} \times \text{n}^\circ \text{ of months} \times \text{n}^\circ \text{ of enrolled students}$ (cap of 100 enrolled students – but consortia are welcome to commit for higher numbers)

=> max. amount per project: 1 800 000 euro

➤ **Same unit cost for scholarship holders and non-scholarship holders**

➤ **Same unit cost for students from EU Member States, third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme**

EMJM call for proposals 2023

- ✓ Publication of the Call: **November 2022** (date tbc)
- ✓ Deadline: **16 February 2023 at 17:00** (Brussels time)
- ✓ Budget: ~ **117m €**
- ✓ Nr. of projects: ~ **30**
- ✓ Nr of scholarships per project: **max. 60 + max. 35 additional scholarships for students from 9 target regions**



EMJM Evaluation procedure

- Peer review by independent external experts – **3 experts** assess each proposal in a **one-step** evaluation procedure
 - 2 thresholds:
 - ✓ **22/30 points** for "Relevance"
 - ✓ Proposals must score **at least 70 points** overall
- In case of ex aequo, priority will be given to projects with highest scores for "**Relevance of the project**" and then "**Impact**"

Interested in Erasmus Mundus but not yet ready for an EMJM?

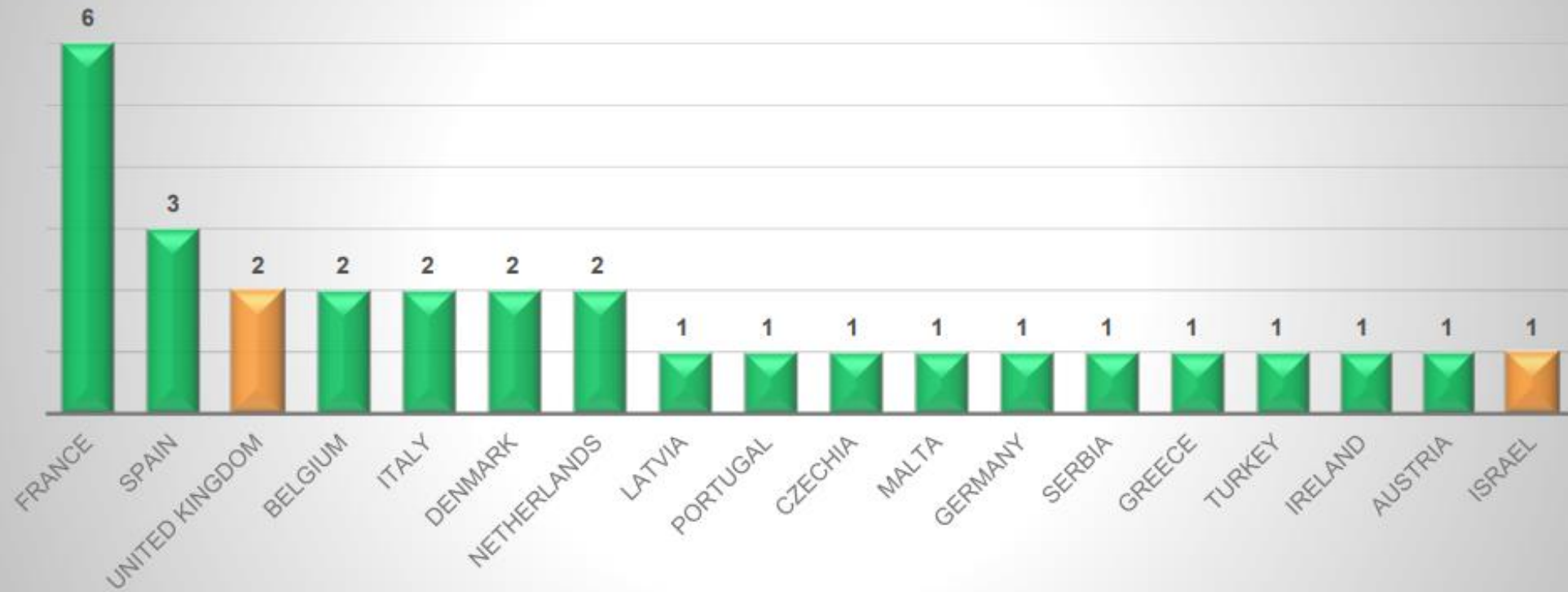


Start with an Erasmus Mundus Design Measure and launch the basis for a joint programme

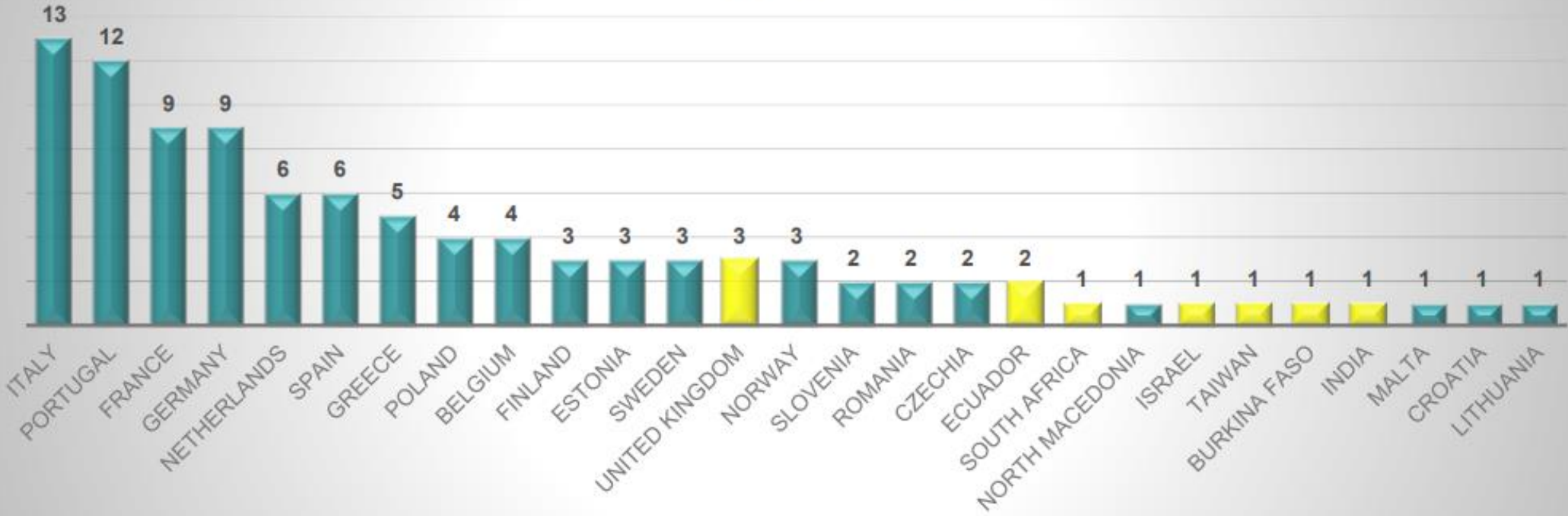
Rationale behind EMDM lot

- ✓ Filling the gap of the Erasmus Mundus Action by supporting the **development** of new joint master programmes
- ✓ Diversify the offer of Joint Master Programmes and encourage new academic cooperation by involving Erasmus Mundus **under-represented EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme, and/or institutions from these countries, and/or thematic areas**

Number of coordinating organisations by country



Number of full partners by country



What is an EMDM project?



- ✓ Short duration **grant to support institutions** in the set-up of a new joint master programme in Europe (and beyond)
- ✓ **One beneficiary** mobilising a group of other HEIs
- ✓ **Independent funding scheme** from EMJM (independent calls for proposals)

Expected outcomes of an EMDM (1)

The jointly designed master should:

- ✓ Offer a **fully integrated curriculum delivered by a consortium** (involving at least three HEIs from three different countries, of which at least two must be EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme)
- ✓ Aim at **attracting excellent students** worldwide
- ✓ Include **physical mobility** for all recruited students
- ✓ Lead to either a **Joint degree** or **multiple degrees**

Expected outcomes of an EMDM (2)

Joint mechanisms to be included in the design of the master programme:

- ✓ Joint **programme design** and joint procedures
 - ✓ Joint **administrative** and financial management
 - ✓ Common **services** offered to students
 - ✓ Joint **promotion** and **dissemination**
 - ✓ A draft joint **Partnership** and **Student Agreement**
 - ✓ A joint **degree policy** and launch of **accreditation process**
- + explore opportunities offered by the **European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes** (if national legislation allows)

EMDM Set-up

- ✓ **One beneficiary** mobilising a group of other HEIs (mono-beneficiary grant)
- ✓ **Fixed duration of 15 months**
- ✓ EU Grant: fixed **lump sum contribution of 55 000 euro** (for costs linked to the activities necessary to set up the new joint master programme)

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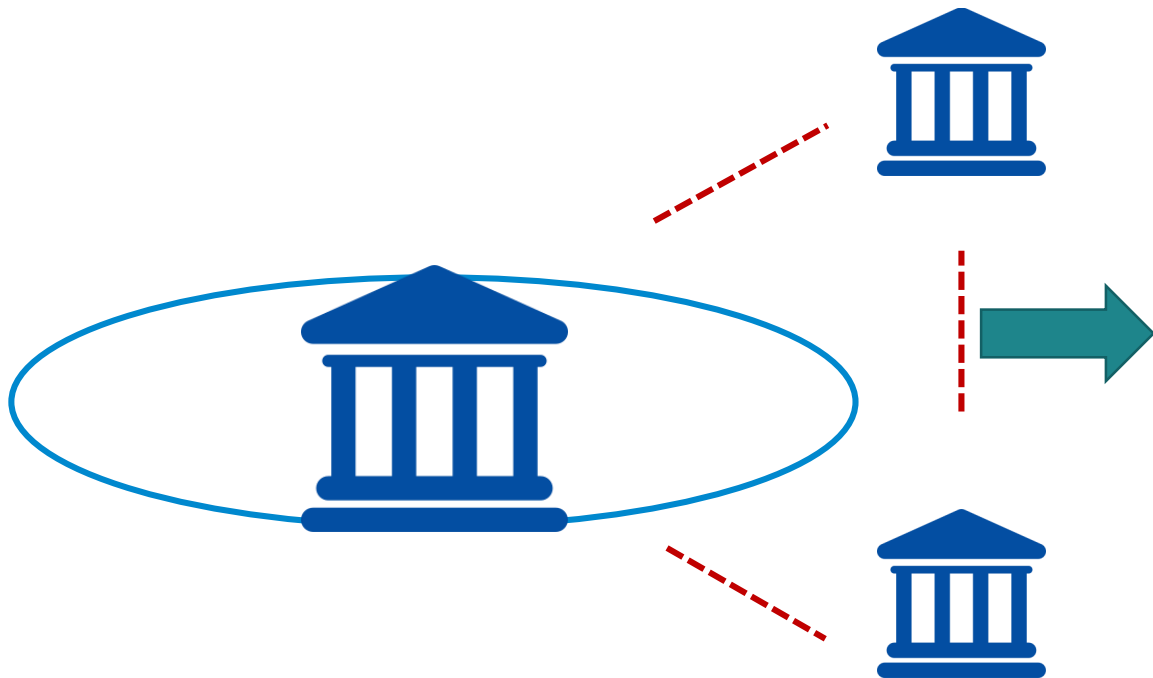
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Taking part as an Organisation



Applications can be submitted by **any HEI in an EU Member State, third country associated to the Programme or eligible third country not associated to the Programme**

For HEIs in EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme: **valid ECHE**

HEIs in third countries not associated to the Programme: **should commit to ECHE principles**

EMDM call for proposals 2023 at a glance

- ✓ Publication of the Call: **November 2022** (date tbc)
- ✓ Deadline: **16 February 2023 at 17:00** (Brussels time)
- ✓ Budget: ~ **3m €**
- ✓ Nr. of projects: **approx. 55**



Erasmus+ EMDM call for proposals 2023

Selection roadmap

Milestones	Indicative dates EMDMs
Publication of the call for proposals	November 2022
Deadline for submission of applications	16 February 2023
Evaluation period	February - June 2023
Notification to applicants	July 2023
Preparation and signature of grant agreements	August-October 2023

Main changes compared to call 2022

- Slight changes in the definition of the award criteria
- Organisations from the Russian Federation (Region 4) are not eligible to participate in this action (together with Belarus – Region 2).

EMDM Evaluation procedure

- Peer review by independent external experts – **2 experts** assess each proposal in a one-step evaluation procedure
- One threshold: proposals must score **at least 60 points** overall
- In case of ex aequo, priority will be given to projects with highest scores for "**Relevance of the project**" and then "**Impact**"

EMDM Award Criteria (1)

❖ **Relevance of the project** (max 40 points)

- ✓ **Background and general objectives**
- ✓ **Needs analysis and specific objectives:** e.g. rationale for the design of a highly integrated Master programme, potential to involve Erasmus Mundus under-represented EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme, institutions from these countries and/or thematic areas
- ✓ **Complementarity with other actions and innovation:** e.g. project ambition compared to the offer of existing Master programmes

❖ **Quality of the project design and implementation** (max 20 points)

- ✓ **Concept and methodology:** e.g. strategy to achieve the objectives and expected outcomes
- ✓ **Project management, quality assurance and monitoring and evaluation strategy**
- ✓ **Project teams, staff and experts:** e.g. foreseen operational resources, definition of roles and distribution of tasks in the project team

EMDM Award Criteria (2)

❖ **Quality of the partnership and cooperation arrangements** (max 20 points)

- ✓ **Consortium set-up:** e.g. expected role of the participating organisations, rationale of their participation, added value and complementarity

❖ **Impact** (max 20 points)

- ✓ **Impact and ambition** of the EMDM project
- ✓ **Communication, dissemination and visibility:** activities foreseen for the promotion and dissemination of the new Master programme and project outcomes
- ✓ **Sustainability and continuation:** envisaged steps to successfully launch/implement the new Master programme and foreseen measures to ensure its sustainability

Application package - EMDM

Complete Part A & C **directly** on the Portal

The application form is structured in 3 sections:

- **Part A** – Administrative forms

General information about the project, data on the applicant organisation and contact persons, legal declarations, etc.

- **Part B** – Technical description & annexes

Contains the narrative part of the project, the work package and the deliverables

- **Part C** – Administrative forms

Specificities about the EMDM (n° of ECTS, type of degrees to be awarded, etc.)



Pay particular attention to the instructions given on the Portal under **Topic conditions and documents**, in particular section **5. Application form templates, guidance and model grant agreement (MGA)**



Information about the programme

- ✓ [Erasmus+ Programme Guide 2023](#)
- ✓ Erasmus Mundus calls for proposals 2023 on Funding & tender opportunities portal
<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>
- ✓ [How to get a grant \(europa.eu\)](#) - General info for applicants on EACEA website



Other information sources

- ✓ [Erasmus Mundus, analysis of the results of the first 2021-2027 call \(joint masters and design measures\)](#)
- ✓ [Statistical factsheets on the achievements of the Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees \(2014-2020\)](#)
- ✓ [Erasmus+ Factsheets](#)
- ✓ [Report 'Implementing Joint Degrees in the Erasmus Mundus action of the Erasmus+ programme'](#)
- ✓ [Erasmus Mundus Catalogue \(europa.eu\)](#)
- ✓ [EMJMD Cluster meeting 2018: European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes and Follow-up event 2019 "Implementing the European Approach for Quality Assurance for EMJMDs"](#)
- ✓ [Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees - The story so far](#)
- ✓ [Sustainability of Erasmus Mundus Master Courses - Best practice guide](#)
- ✓ [Erasmus+ Project result platform](#)