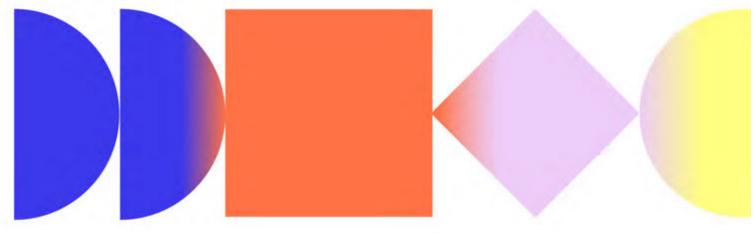


# Erasmus+ KA2 Cooperation Projects & Jean Monnet Info-Session



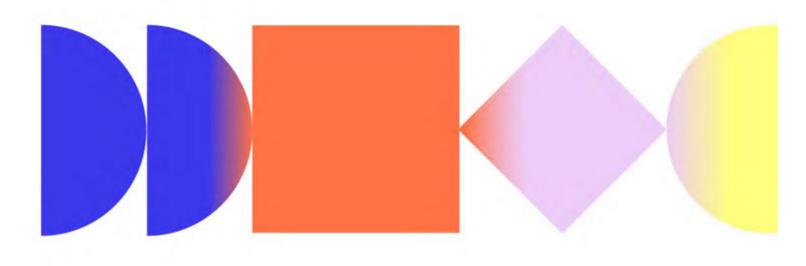
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Org.: Una Edu+ projects working group



# Welcome

### Francesco Girotti (University of Bologna)



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#### Final plenary + Q&A



# Who are we?

### Una Edu+ projects working group





# Who are we? Who are you?



Who are you?

### How much experience do you have with Erasmus+ projects?

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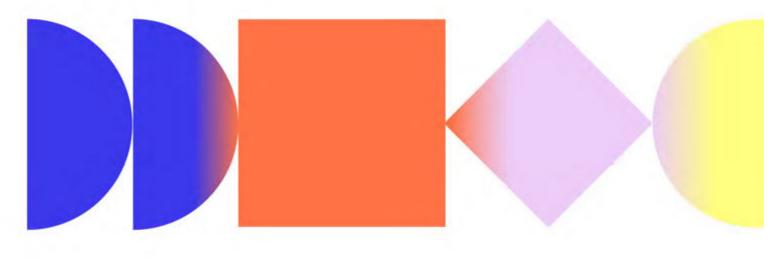
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- + I have coordinated at least one project
- + I have participated in at least one project
- + I have heard about Erasmus+ projects
- + I have no idea what I am doing here, but I am curious?



# **Overview of Erasmus+ projects**

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## Focus on Education

E+ Projects are powerful tools for innovation and internationalization of Higher Education in Europe una europa

Main final beneficiaries of Erasmus+ Projects are HE students and HE staff, and HEI wider communities

## Needs in HE identified by our Academics



Academics usually approach E+ once they have identified **key needs** in the framework of their **HE educational programmes**, **third mission and cooperation activities** 

### Some of the needs in HE identified by our Academics



«Innovative competences and training modules, for HE students and professionals»:

"Our course should be enriched by means of new modules tackling innovative and relevant issues in our discipline. We need to enhance **interdisciplinarity** and to transfer new **key competences**. **HE students but also professionals** should benefit from them"

#### «Summer School as a first step» :

"Our Master students find it quite difficult to undertake long mobilities. As a first step, could we include a 2 weeks international summer school in our programme?"

«Innovation and Internationalization@home» :

"Our students are **excellent scientists**, they will certainly find themselves working in the global context. Currently they have no experiences in international collaboration, and they do not participate in mobility programmes. How could we improve our educational programmes in order to prepare them to face international contexts?"

# Impact on Education: 'typical' project activities and results



- Innovative teaching and learning
- Joint programmes
- MOOCS, elearning platforms
- New mobility formats
- University- enterprise cooperation
- Social engagement

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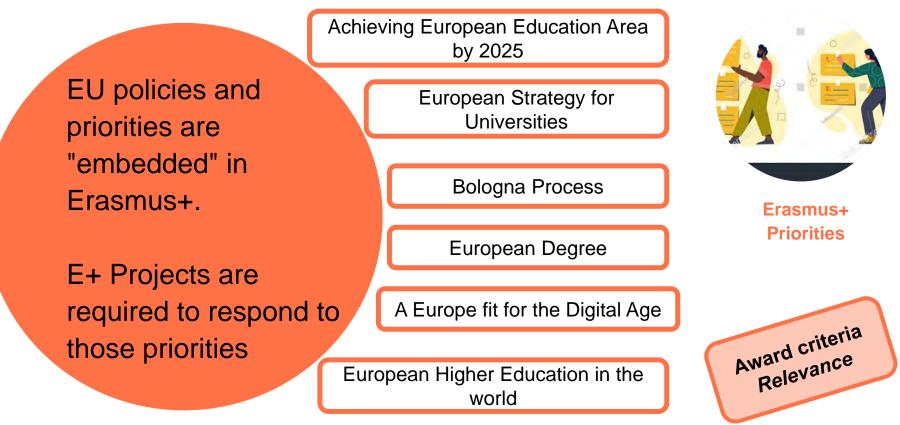
### Erasmus+ KA2 Cooperation Projects & Jean Monnet Common features





# Common features EU policies and priorities in Erasmus+





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### **Inclusion and Diversity**

*E*+ seeks to promote equal opportunities and access, inclusion, diversity and fairness

### **Digital Transformation**

E+ aims to engage learners, educators, youth workers, young people and organisations in the path to digital transformation

### Environment and fight against climate change

E+ will be a key instrument for building the knowledge, skills, and attitudes on climate change and support sustainable development both within the European Union and beyond

### Participation in democratic life, common values and civic

**engagement**. *E*+ addresses the citizens' limited participation in its democratic processes and their lack of knowledge about the EU and tries to help them overcome the difficulties in actively engaging and participating in their communities or in the Union's political and social life



Erasmus+ priorities



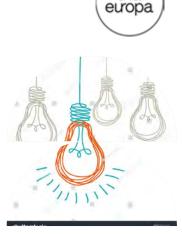


Common features *«Are there any required features for my project results?»* 

Erasmus+ Projects results have to be:

- tangible
- high-quality
- innovative,
- transferable into other contexts,
- sustainable and durable

Erasmus+ Project results should be able to generate a **measurable, consistent impact** on the final beneficiaries, students and staff and their wider communities, and on the partners' organizations, in the field of Higher Education



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Innovation Transferability Sustainability Impact



Common features *«How can I choose project partners?»* 

A minimum set of (institution) partners

Eligible partners are heterogeneous: HEIs, enterprises, NGOs, VET providers, public bodies,...

Valuable features are: complementarity, geographical coverage, expertise, added value, contribution to project impact

EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme Third countries not associated to the Programme



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Partnership



Common features «*Is MOBILITY (full, blended) an eligible activity?»* 



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YES, but it has to be targeted to the achievement of project's objectives

For teaching and learning but also to test project's results



**Mobility** 

Participants are students and staff from partners institutions Common features *«Where can I find rules and deadlines for participation in the Programme?»* 



1 yearly Call for Proposal (Autumn 2022) 1 Work Programme & Programme Guide Budget, Priorities, Elegibilty Criteria, Deadlines 2023, Award Criteria,...



#### Legal framework

### Common features *«How are proposals evaluated?»* 4 AWARD CRITERIA

**RELEVANCE** Projects have to be relevant to Erasmus+ Priorities, and have to respond to clear needs and lacks in Higher Education...

**IMPACT** Projects should be able to generate a measurable, consistent impact on the final beneficiaries, on the partners' organizations and in their wider communities....





#### Legal framework

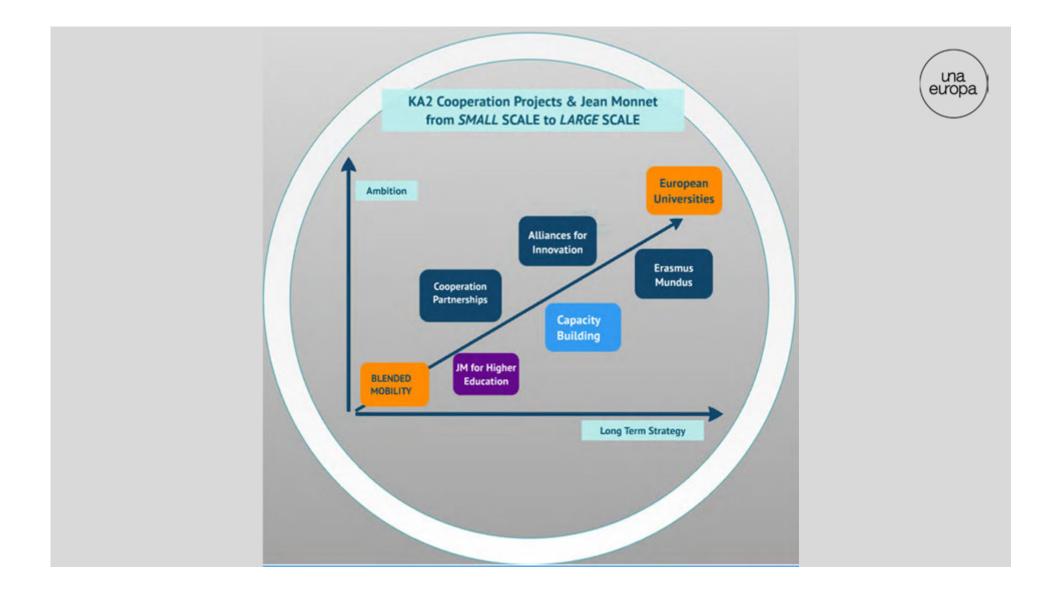
**QUALITY PARTNERSHIP** Projects should involve an appropriate mix of participating organisations in terms of profile, incl. grassroots organisations, past experience in Erasmus+ and expertise to successfully complete all project objectives; ....

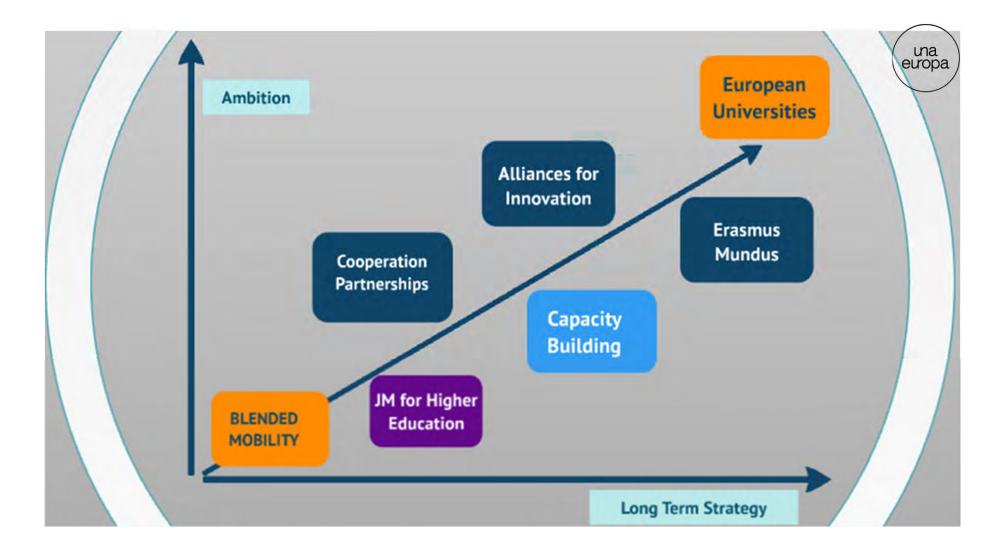
**QUALITY OF THE PROJECT:** The **project objectives** are clearly defined, realistic and address needs and goals of the participating organisations and the needs of their target groups; the **proposed methodology** is **clear**, **adequate and feasible**.... the activities are designed in an **accessible and inclusive way** and are open to people with fewer opportunities.. are designed in **an eco-friendly way** and incorporates green practices





*«Which Erasmus+ Project Format matches my Project Idea?»* 





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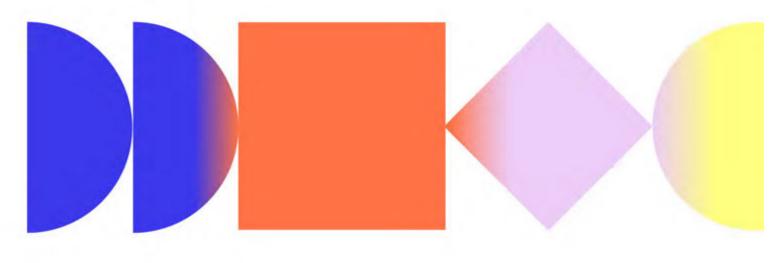
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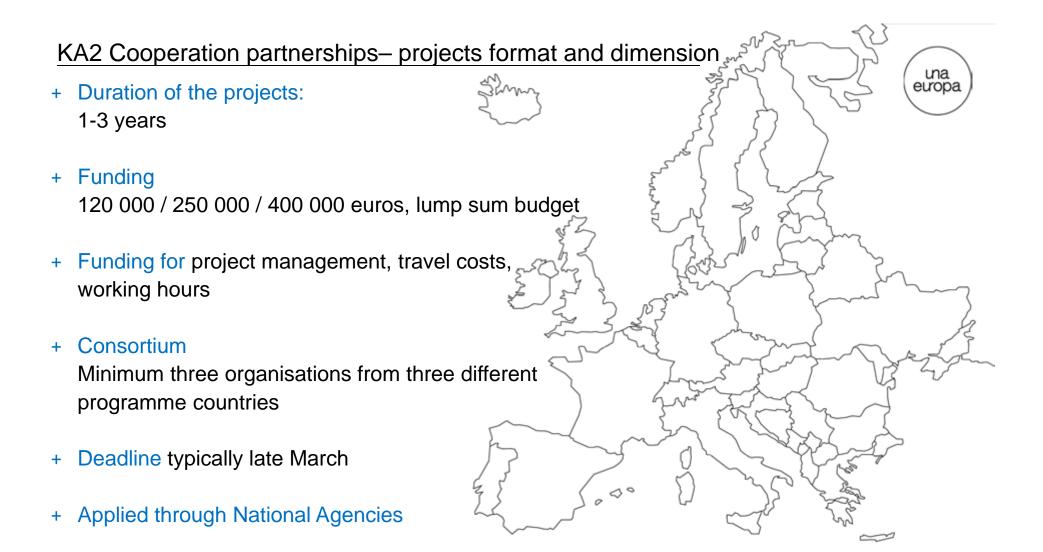
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# **KA2** Cooperation partnerships

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# **Cooperation partnerships aim to:**

✓ Support the development, transfer and/or implementation of **innovative practices** 

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✓ Support the implementation of joint initiatives promoting cooperation, peer learning and exchanges of experience at European level.

Projects can address different sectors. Each sector has sector specific priorities.

Sector priorities / Higher education

- Promoting inter-connected higher education systems
- Stimulating innovative learning and teaching practices
- Developing STEM/STEAM in higher education
- Rewarding excellence in learning, teaching and skills development
- Building inclusive higher education systems
- Supporting digital and green capabilities of the higher education

# Examples of project content



### Developing teaching

Materials, tools, methods, joint study programmes

Workshops

**Intensive courses** 



Digitalisation

Building entrepreneurial skills

Developing study guidance

#### Activities to support and complement mobility Virtual/short/blended mobility

Cooperation with local and regional actors

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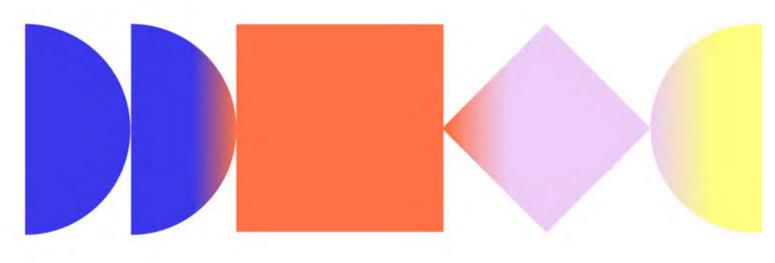
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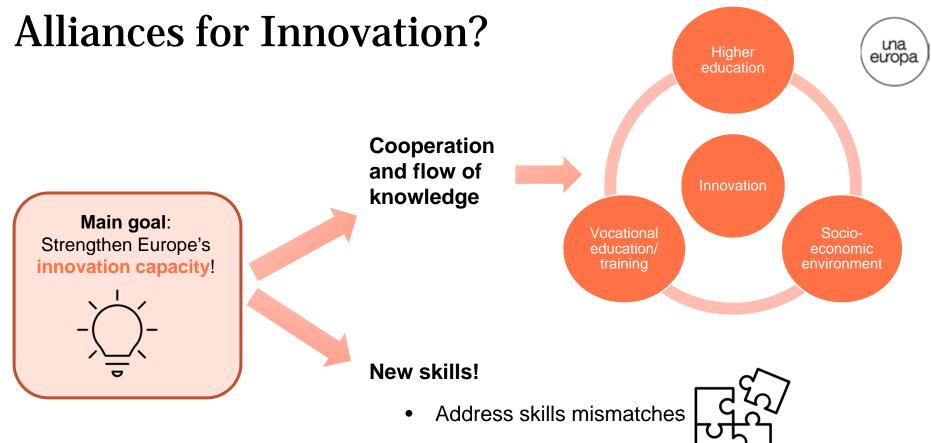
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# **KA2** Alliances for Innovation

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• Digital skills, green skills

# Instruments – two Lots





Lot 1 Alliances for Education and Enterprises

(previous Sector Skills Alliance + Knowledge Alliances calls)



Lot 2 Alliances for Sectoral Cooperation on Skills

(previous Blueprint call)

### Lot 1 Alliances for Education and Enterprises Objectives and activities



**Boosting innovation** 

 New learning and teaching methods
 Continuous education programmes with enterprises



Developing a sense of initiative and entrepreneurial mindsets

- New learning tools to boost an entrepreneurial mindsets
- New learning opportunities through the practical experiences and application



Stimulating the flow and exchange of knowledge

 Inclusive and connected HE, VET and enterprises
 Apprenticeships and study field related activities in enterprises



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Identifying market needs and emerging professions

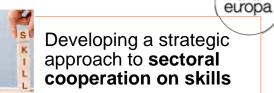
- Transnational sector-wide curricula integrating work-based learning
   Skills that are
- needed in the public domain

include at least one in the project

### Lot 2 Alliances for Sectoral Cooperation on Skills Objectives and activities

 14 industrial ecosystems identified in the New Industrial Strategy for Europe





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Developing 'core' curricula and training programmes



**Delivering** 'core' curricula and training programmes



Design a long-term action plan for the progressive roll-out of project deliverables

must be ALL included in the project

### Consortia, duration and budget

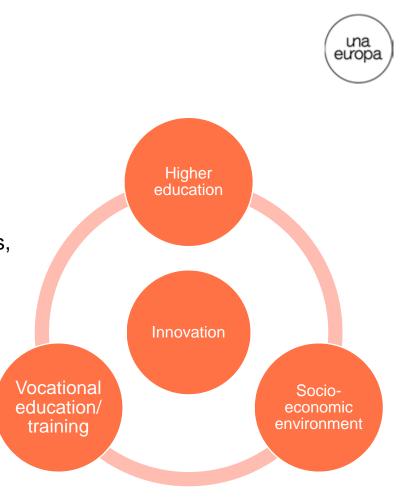
	Lot 1	Lot 2
Consortia		
- # countries (min.)	4	8
- # partners (min.)	8	12
Of which min.		
Labour market actors*	3	5
Education & training providers	3	5
Of which min.		
<ul> <li>Higher education institution</li> </ul>	1	1
<ul> <li>Vocational education/training provider</li> </ul>	1	1
Duration - Budget (€)	24m - €1M	48m - €4M
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\* Labour market actors are enterprises or companies or representative intermediary organisations, such as chambers, trade unions or trade associations.

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# Lessons we learned

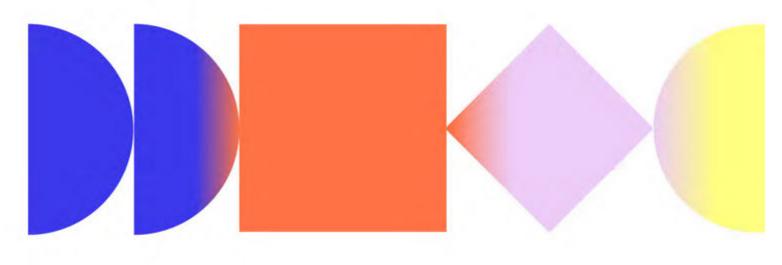
- Large-scale
- Complex work packages and consortia
- 3 groups of beneficiaries: higher education institutions, vocational education/training providers, enterprises
- A project focusing only on higher education won't be financed.





# **KA2 Erasmus Mundus Actions**

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## What is Erasmus Mundus?



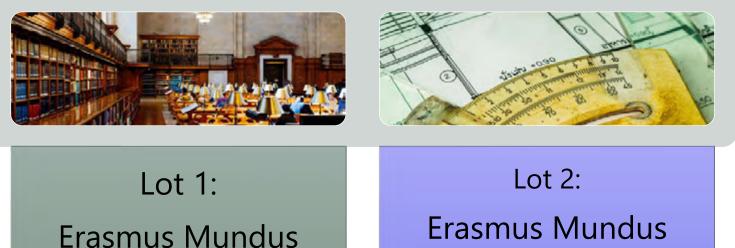
#### + A pathway for the development of **new, innovative transnational study programmes** at Master level

## **Key Objectives:**

Enhance institutional capacity by modernising and internationalising curricula and teaching practices Grow the attractiveness and excellence of European higher education and attract talent to Europe Foster excellence and worldwide internationalisation of higher education institutions

## **KA2 Erasmus Mundus Actions**

#### + Two independent Lots



Joint Masters (EMJM) Erasmus Mundus **Design Measures** (EMDM) una europa

## **EMJM Objectives**



EMJM aims to enhance the attractiveness and excellence of European higher education in the world and attract talent to Europe, through:

Institutional academic cooperation to showcase European excellence in higher education

## And

Mobility for all students taking part, with EU-funded scholarships for the best students applying

## **EMJM Project Format and dimensions**



#### **Duration**

- 6 academic years
- Must cover at least 4 editions of the programme

#### Funding

- Up to €5M per project
- Individual student scholarships of up to €1,400 PM

#### Consortium

- At least 3 HEIs from 3 countries
- 'Associated' partners with relevant expertise

#### **Application**

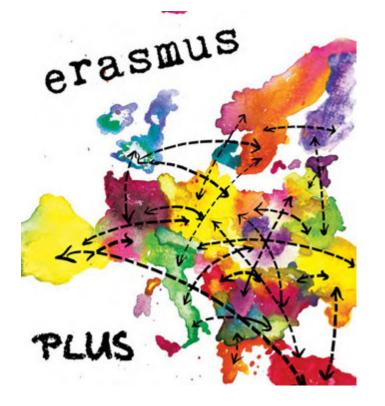
- Calls open

   Nov. each year
   and close ~Feb.
- European Education and Culture Executive Agency

## **Student Mobility**

- Physical mobility is <u>compulsory</u> for all enrolled students.
- Minimum of <u>two study periods in two</u> <u>countries</u>, of which at least one must be a EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme.
- Study periods must correspond to a workload of at least one academic semester (30 ECTS credits or equivalent).





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## What educational needs do EMJMs tackle?





KA2 Erasmus Mundus Actions: What are the key features?

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- A joint degree or multiple degrees
- Academic cooperation within the EHEA and beyond
- Enhance the internationalisation of higher education
- Synergy between HE, innovation, and research
- Advance societal and labour market needs
- Develop innovative educational policies

## KA2 Erasmus Mundus Actions Examples





## KA2 Erasmus Mundus Actions Lessons Learned



+ If we gave you three pieces of advice they would be:

#### No need to jump straight in...

Think about designing your Masters Programme through a Cooperation Partnership, Alliance for Innovation, or Erasmus Mundus Design Measures.

#### Ensure internal approval...

All consortia members must ensure their proposed course is endorsed by their institutions before the application can be submitted.

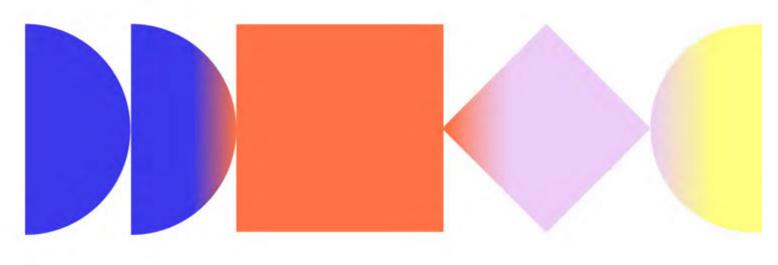
#### Think of your students...

Preparing an application takes work – but don't forget to investigate student practicalities such as visa requirements for partner countries, of costof-living issues.



## **KA2** Capacity Building in Higher Education

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## What are Capacity Building Projects in HE

Projects to improve HE institutions and their systems

- Multilateral cooperation between Erasmus and third-country institutions
- With activities and outcomes beneficial to HE Institutions and Systems of third-country

International dimension of Erasmus+ 2021-2027





## Aims of Capacity Building Projects in HE



## **Priority Fields of the EC**





Green Deal

Alliances for Sustainable Growth and Jobs



Migration Partnerships

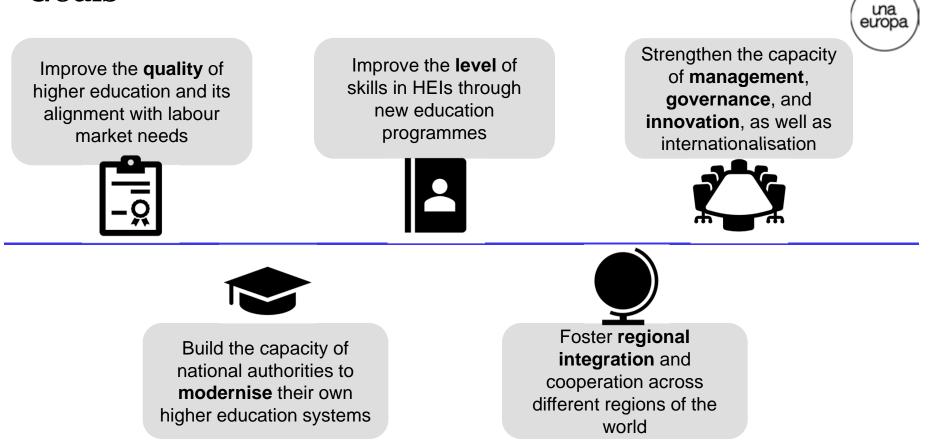


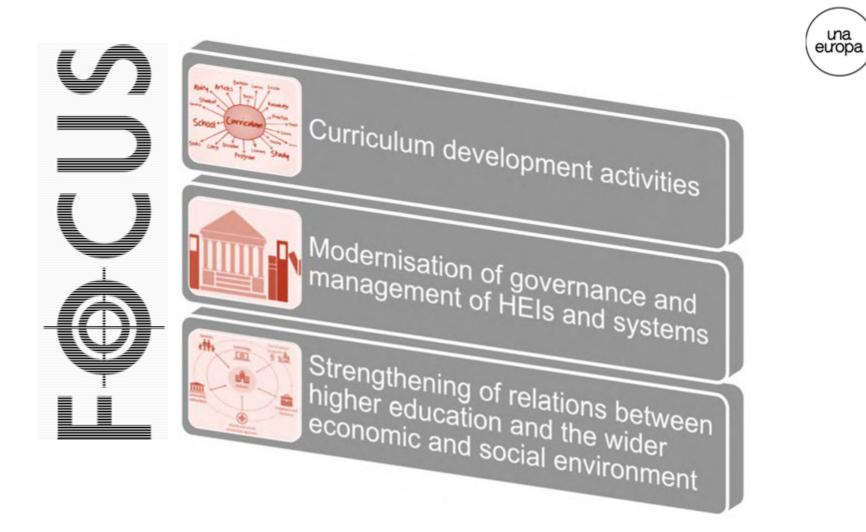
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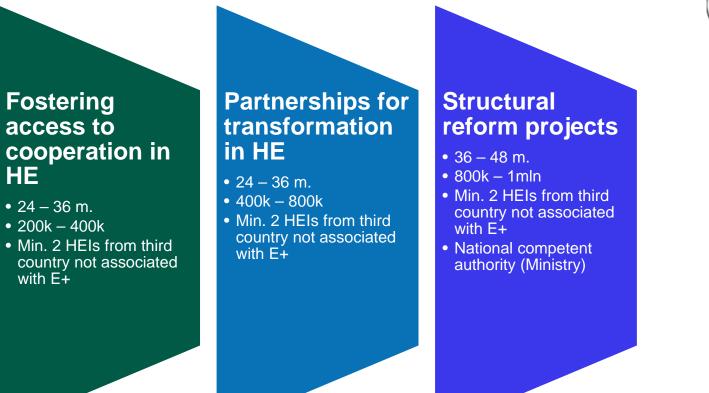
Digital Transformation & Data Tech

## Goals





## **3** types of projects in Higher Education (HE)



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#### **3 Lessons Learned**

## Start as early as possible

- Complex and long procedure at EC
- Often a lot of bureaucracy in third country party

Clear and Fair distribution of Tasks between institutions

 To avoid Erasmus institution doing too much (or all) as third party institution may not have the resources. Could end up in developing project. Make sure that it isn't a solo project of researcher

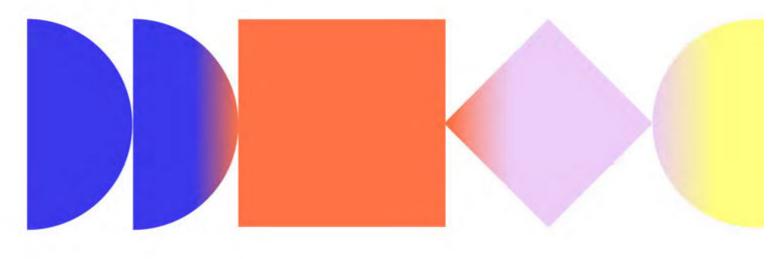
• Involve Board Members of Faculty or Institute in an early stage





## **Jean Monnet Actions**

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Jean Monnet in the field of HE - specific objectives



Jean Monnet activities provide opportunities to disseminate knowledge about the European Union and Europe as a whole.

Jean Monnet activities in higher education **support teaching and research in EU studies** from an internal and global perspective.

#### Objectives:

Enhancing the quality in teaching and research

Promoting knowledge of the EU Reinforcing the dialogue between universities and society

Strengthening the role of the EU

# Jean Monnet in the field of HE - range of opportunities





New courses specifically for law and economics students (however, the scope of EU studies may vary)



Cooperation with professionals



Publication of articles, books



Organisation of summer schools, conferences, seminars, worshops on a national or local level

# Jean Monnet in the field of HE - benefits of participation

for Academics:

- establishing innovative educational methods
- combining theory and practice
- upgrading course offerings
- disseminating research results

for Participants:

- increasing knowledge of the EU
- increasing social competence among participants
- sharing of knowledge by academics and local government employees, local governments, NGOs



## Jean Monnet Actions: MODULES



#### short **teaching programmes or courses** in the field of European Union studies

concentrating on one discipline in European studies or being multidisciplinary input of several professors and experts

minimum 40 teaching hours per academic year

a duration of three years

max EU grant: EUR 30.000 co-financing: 75%

## Jean Monnet Actions: CHAIRS



#### **teaching posts** with a specialisation in European Union studies for university professors

the chair is held by one professor

minimum 90 teaching hours per academic year

a duration of three years

chair provided

a team to

support the

max EU grant: EUR 50.000 co-financing: 75%

## Jean Monnet Actions: CENTRES of EXCELLENCE



#### points of competence and knowledge on European Union

reaching out to students from faculties not normally dealing with European Union issues as well as to policy makers and the general public at large gathering the expertise and competences of high-level experts

only one at a time per HEI a duration of three years

max EU grant: EUR 100.000 co-financing: 80%

#### Why Jean Monnet in the field of HE?

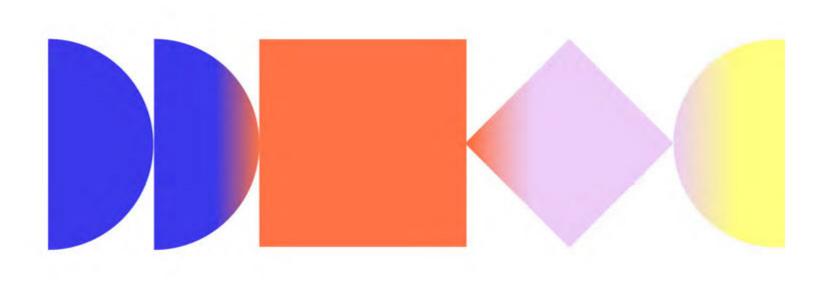
- ✓ JM is a good opportunity to gain experience
- ✓ Quickly adapt curricula to changing realities incl. the law
- ✓ Simple budget based on lump sums
- ✓ More opportunities also for HEI such as networks or policy debate.

Interested? Join the break out room: Jean Monnet Public Policy Call: Lessons from EU-Renew project, by prof. Axel Marx (KU Leuven) una europa

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# **Q&A?**



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\* But, let's also have a coffee/drink...

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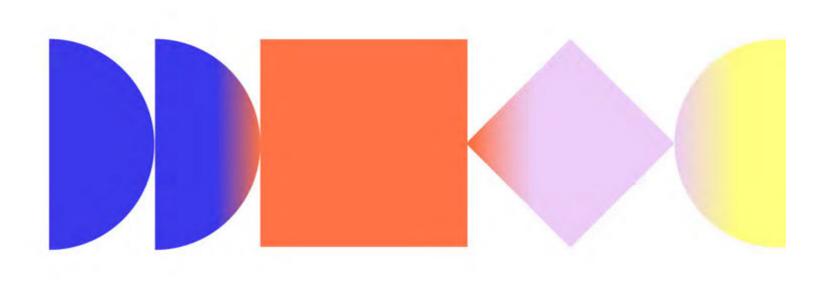
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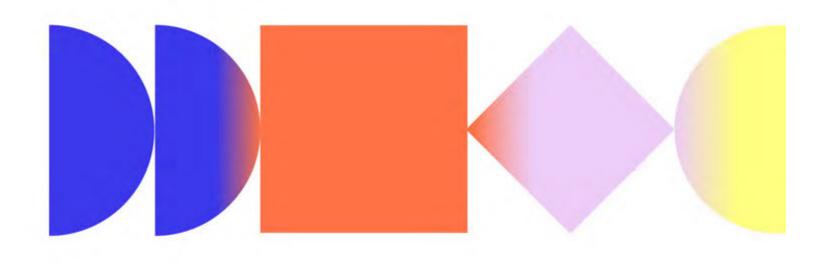
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# Pathways of increasing level of ambition/complexity

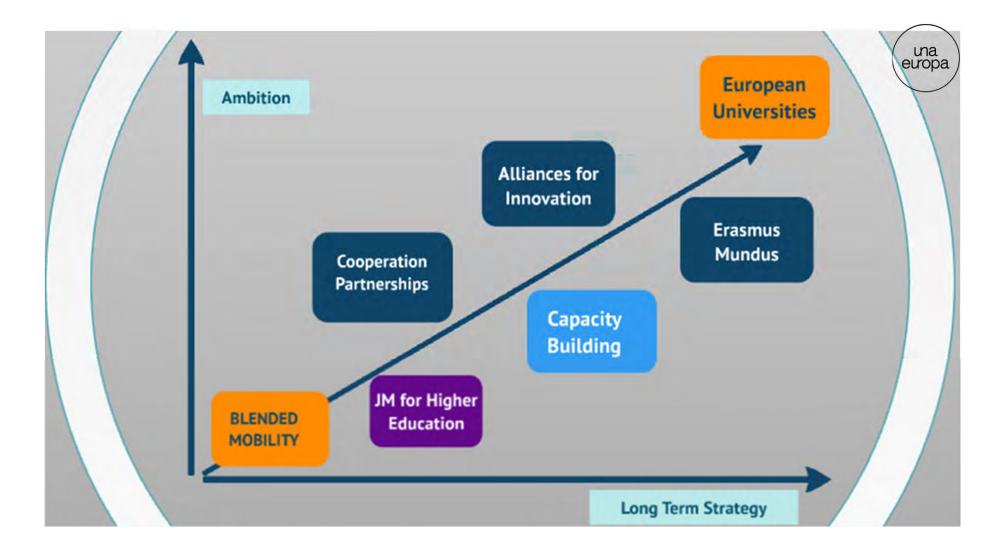
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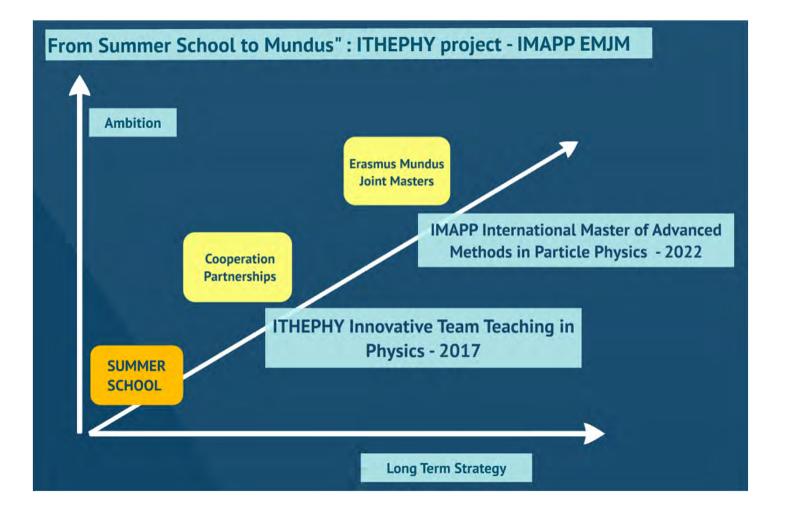


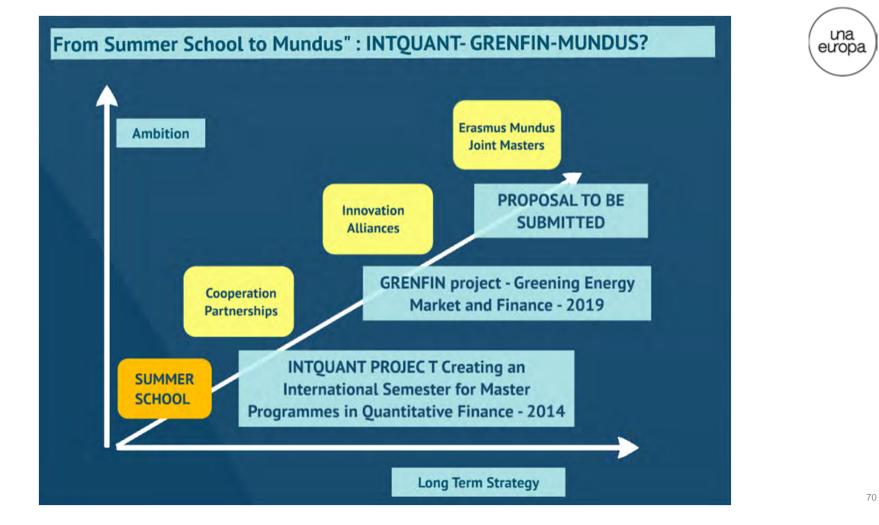
## Paths to Internationalization & Innovation



In the past Erasmus+ Programme period 2014-2021, many projects turned out to be a starting point, as they were followed by more complex projects, building on their results and achieving ambitious goals in Higher Education.

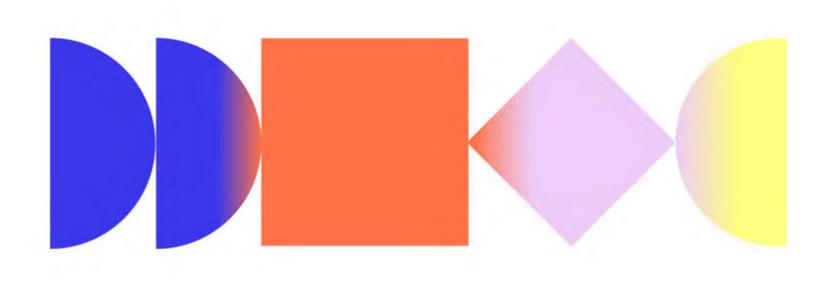








# **Q&A?**



#### Poll!

#### What plans do you have?

+ I wish to submit a proposal with UNA Europa partners

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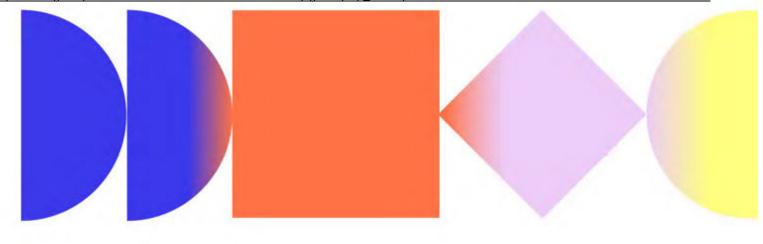
+ I might submit a proposal in the next call

- + I have an idea for a proposal
- + Interesting, but I need to know more...



# Thanks

Contact us! => Share your feedback via the form https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=m1hzOUCetU6ADrC2OD0WISdFqvgDRSpDp\_TLSxqD72VUMDJZU1MzTFFZS1A5OVdFSIRJOVU5TDE2Ri4u



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