

Erasmus+ Programme Inter-institutional agreement Key Action 1 Mobility of higher education students and staff

between EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme The institutions<sup>1</sup> named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. This agreement is valid for the Erasmus+ call years 20[21]-20[27] in:

- KA131 Higher education mobility supported by internal policy funds
- KA171 Higher education mobility supported by external policy funds

The institutions commit to sound and transparent management of funds allocated to them through Erasmus+ and to respect the quality requirements of the Programme, outlined in the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education<sup>2</sup> and in this agreement.

The institutions agree on exchanging their mobility-related data according to the <u>principles of GDPR<sup>3</sup></u> and in line with the technical standards of the <u>European Student Card Initiative<sup>4</sup></u>, when this becomes available for international mobility involving third countries not associated to the Programme.

Sending institutions located in EU/EEA countries have to ensure compliance with the provisions of art. 46 GDPR for all participants' personal data exchanged in the context of their mobility with institutions from non-EU/EEA countries without an adequacy decision, on the condition that enforceable data subject rights and effective legal remedies for data subjects are available in the respective third country. The participants should be informed in a transparent manner about the level of protection of their personal data, if this is different from the one where the sending institution is located.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Inter-institutional agreements can be bilateral or multilateral in the case of mobility consortia:

<sup>-</sup> Bilateral agreements are for cooperation between one higher education institution located in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme and another institution located in a third country not associated to the Programme

<sup>-</sup> Multilateral agreements are for cooperation between a mobility consortium of higher education institutions located in one single EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme and another institution located in a third country not associated to the Programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/higher-education-charter\_en</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/law-topic/data-protection/reform/rules-business-and-organisations/principles-gdpr\_en</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> <u>https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative\_en</u>

## **1.** Information about the higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department where relevant)	Erasmus code or city <sup>5</sup>	Contact details <sup>6</sup> (email, phone)	Websites
University of Ostrava Faculty of Social Studies CZECHIA	CZ OSTRAVA02	Institutional Coordinator: Kamila Danihelková <u>kamila.danihelkova@osu.cz</u> Faculty Coordinator: Michaela Vontorová <u>michaela.vontorova@osu.cz</u>	General: <u>https://www.osu.eu/</u> Faculty: <u>https://fss.osu.eu/</u> Course catalogue: <u>https://www.osu.eu/22821/courses/</u>
Borys Grinchenko Kyiv University UKRAINE	Kyiv OID: E10159382	Olha Vyhovska <u>o.vyhovska@kubq.edu.ua</u>	General: <u>https://partner.kubg.edu.ua/</u> Faculty: <u>https://partner.kubg.edu.ua/university/faculty-of-</u> <u>psychology-social-work-and-special-education.html</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Higher education institutions (HEIs) from EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme should indicate their Erasmus code; HEIs from third countries not associated to the Programme should mention the city where they are located.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

## 2. Mobility numbers per academic year

The partners agree to update the mobility data, whenever possible, by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year formally via an amendment of the inter-institutional agreement. The partners agree to accept informal communication means (e.g. exchanges of emails as written proof).

#### Number of student and staff mobility periods

FROM			Field of	Level of	Number of mobility periods				
[Erasmus code or city of the	[Erasmus code or city of the	education [ISCED] <sup>7</sup>	clarification	clarification [EQF] Student (optional) (optional)		Student Mobility	Staff Mobility	Staff Mobility	
sending institution]	receiving institution]	(optional)	(optional)		[Total number o <b>f</b> months]	[Total number of staff]	[Total number of days]		
Kyiv	CZ OSTRAVA0 2	0923	Social Work and Counselling	EQF level 6 EQF level 7	5	120 days/each	3	7 days/each	
CZ OSTRAVAO 2	Куіv	0923	Social Work and Counselling				3	7 days/each	

## **Optional** additional information

e.g. blended mobility, etc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> https://circabc.europa.eu/sd/a/286ebac6-aa7c-4ada-a42b-ff2cf3a442bf/ISCED-F%202013%20-%20Detailed%20field%20descriptions.pdf

The number and/or duration of mobilities may be changed on the basis of mutual written consent (in the form of an email, meeting minutes, etc.) following the findings of the project progress monitoring.

## 3. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended <u>language skills<sup>8</sup></u> at the start of the mobility period (see also section 5 "Preparation and Support").

Receiving Field of		Language	Language	Recommended level			
institution	education	of instruction 1	of instruction 2	Student Mobility	Staff Mobility		
[Erasmus code or city]	(Optional)			[Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages: <b>B</b> 1]	[Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages for teaching; B2]		
CZ OSTRAVA02	0923	Czech	English	B1 - English	B2 - English		
	0923	Ukrainian	English	B1 - English	B2 - English		
Куіv							

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution. The links to the course catalogue are provided in the first section.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, it is recommended to use the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR): <u>http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr</u>

### 4. Partnership arrangements: fees and organisational support funds

In accordance with the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education, partners commit to charge no additional fees to students:

- In connection with the organisation or administration of their Erasmus+ credit mobility period at their institution. Any violation to this rule by the partners shall be brought to the attention of the National Agency and may lead to the termination of the participation in the project linked to this inter-institutional agreement, if no corrective measures are taken.
- For tuition, registration, examinations or access to laboratory and library facilities. Nevertheless, they may be charged small fees on the same basis as local students for costs such as insurance, student unions and the use of miscellaneous material.

Partners agree on the following use and repartition of organisational support funds including a list of objectives that both partners consider a priority:

OS Use and Repartition	Priority Objectives
Partners agree that the use and repartition of organisational support grant will be managed entirely by the University	Selection of students, staff arrangements and promotion of mobilities.
of Ostrava unless they agree otherwise for	Linguistic and intercultural preparation provided to both incoming and outbound
concrete needs of the realized mobilities.	students and staff; facilitating the integration of incoming mobile participants in the HEI.
	Providing information and assistance to students and staff; ensuring efficient mentoring and supervision arrangements of mobile participants.
	Dissemination of the project results.
	Promoting and managing the participation of individuals with fewer opportunities; identifying and promoting civic, engagement activities and monitoring participation in such activities.

#### 5. Outreach and Selection of participants: calendar, application procedure and requirements

- Partners commit to doing outreach to participants with fewer opportunities to encourage their participation in the Programme and, where needed, agree on a common strategy to meet indicative inclusion targets.
- Partners commit to running selection procedures for mobility activities that are fair, transparent and documented, ensuring equal opportunities to participants eligible for mobility. The calls for applications must be public and an appeal procedure must be in place. Under no circumstances, shall applicants and selected participants incur any costs during application and selection procedures.
- In the case of student mobility, partners will ensure that other elements beyond academic merit are taken into account to ensure participation of students with fewer opportunities. Selection criteria and procedures must be clearly communicated in the call for applications.

Receiving institution	Term duration	Deadline <sup>9</sup>
[Erasmus code or city]		
CZ OSTRAVA02	Autumn Term: from September to January	Nomination: June 15
		Application: June 30
	Spring Term: from February to June	Nomination: October 31
		Application: November 15

Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

The receiving institution will send its decision within [x] weeks and no later than 5 weeks.

The partners commit to have a fair, transparent, coherent and documented application and selection procedure outlined in their respective websites and regularly updated, together with the contact details of the relevant department:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Please specify the deadline for each term and, if necessary, adapt to a trimester system.

Application procedure		
Receiving Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email)	Website for information
CZ OSTRAVA02	michaela.vontorova@osu.cz	https://www.osu.eu/erasmus-plus/

Academic and additional requirements					
Requirement	Details	Website for information (optional)			
Academic requirements	Students need to take at least 20 ECTS out of which 80% needs to be within the 0923 field. Course KAM/AINTR Introduction to study Czech social work is mandatory.				
CV	CV in English will be sent with the nomination list				
Motivation letter	Motivation letter in English will be send in English with the nomination list				
<i>For KA171:</i> Inclusion measures <sup>10</sup>	Participants with fewer opportunities (according to the Erasmus+ Programme Guide) will be targeted. Detailed inclusion measures regarding the selection process will be specified in a separate document.	https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/erasmus- programme-guide			
Other					

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> You may find the implementation guidelines of the **Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps Inclusion and Diversity Strategy** here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/implementation-guidelines-erasmus-and-european-solidarity-corps-inclusion-and-diversity\_en</u>

## 6. Preparation and support

The higher education institution(s) in an EU Member State or associated third country commit(s) to:

- Ensure that students are aware of their rights and obligations as defined in the *Erasmus*+ Student Charter<sup>11</sup>.
- Arrange travels or provide a pre-financing of the grant to **reduce the costs that participants need to cover upfront**, to the extent possible.

All involved higher education institutions commit to the following preparation and support measures. Information and assistance can be provided by the contact points and information sources in the table below:

- The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding **accommodation**, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education. It is considered best practice to use the individual grant to pay for the deposit of dormitories.
- Ensure that outgoing mobile participants are well prepared for their activities abroad, including blended mobility, by undertaking activities to achieve the necessary level of **linguistic proficiency** and develop their **intercultural competences**.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining **visas**, when required, for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education and, if needed, use project funds in the most inclusive way to cover related costs partially or in full.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The Erasmus+ Student Charter is available here: <u>https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/student-charter\_en</u>

- Provide assistance related to obtaining **insurance**, when required, for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education and use project funds in the most inclusive way to cover related costs partially or in full. The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided.
- The receiving institution will inform about the existence of relevant infrastructure and provide support to incoming **participants with fewer opportunities**.
- Provide **appropriate mentoring and support arrangements** for mobile participants, including for those pursuing blended mobility, as well as **integrate incoming mobile participants** into the wider student community and in the Institution's everyday life.
- Provide participants with their **grant as soon as possible upon arrival**, including if necessary a first payment using cash, check or similar to avoid delays linked to opening a bank account.
- The institutions commit to encourage participants to act as **ambassadors of the Erasmus+ Programme** and share their mobility experience, e.g. by providing information about the existence of Erasmus+ alumni networks, inviting former participants in promotion activities, etc.

Preparatory & support measures	Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	CZ OSTRAVA02	accommodation@osu.cz	https://www.osu.eu/accommodation/
Visa	CZ OSTRAVA02	michaela.vontorova@osu.cz	https://www.osu.eu/visa-and-health-insurance/
Insurance	CZ OSTRAVA02	michaela.vontorova@osu.cz	https://www.osu.eu/visa-and-health-insurance/
Inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities	CZ OSTRAVA02	Katerina.zvakova@osu.cz	https://pyramida.osu.eu/
			e.g. available infrastructure for:
			Reduced mobility or hearing/visual impairments,
			students/staff with children, etc.
Grant payments	CZ OSTRAVA02	michaela.vontorova@osu.cz	

## 7. Recognition

Institutions commit to:

• Ensure recognition for activities satisfactorily completed.

the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System

The number of credits received at the Receiving institution will be fully recognized by the Sending Institution.

- Ensure that student and staff mobility for education or training purposes is based on a learning agreement for students and a mobility agreement for staff validated in advance between the sending and receiving institutions or non-academic organisations and the mobile participants.
- Accept all activities indicated in the learning agreement, or according to the learning outcomes of the modules completed abroad, as automatically counting towards the degree, provided these have been satisfactorily completed by the mobile student.
- Partners commit to taking measures to ensure recognition of student and staff mobility upon their return, including:
  - o Providing incoming mobile students and their sending institutions with free-of-charge transcripts. The documents must be in English or in the language of the sending institution and containing a full, accurate and timely record of the achievements at the end of the mobility period.
  - A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than [x] weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI.
  - o Providing students on traineeships and staff with a certificate for the activities completed. It is recommended to issue a certificate towards the end of the mobility period.

## 8. Grading systems of the institutions

It is recommended that receiving institutions provide the statistical distribution of grades or make the information available through <u>EGRACONS</u> according to the descriptions in the <u>ECTS users' guide<sup>12</sup></u>. The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

Institution [Erasmus code or city]	EGRACONS [If applicable]	Website for information
CZ OSTRAVA02		https://www.osu.eu/grading-system/
Куіv		https://partner.kubg.edu.ua/information/for-international- students/grading-system.html

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> The ECTS user's guide is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources-and-tools/document-library/ects-users-guide\_en

9. Any other information regarding the terms of the agreement (optional)

UO is obliged entity pursuant to Act No. 340/2015 Coll., Act on the Register of Contracts (hereinafter the "Act on the Register of Contracts"). The other Contracting Party acknowledges and expressly agrees that this Agreement in full is subject to publication in the Register of Contracts (information system of public administration, administered by the Ministry of the Interior). UO undertakes to publish this Agreement in compliance with the provisions of the respective Act on the Register of Contracts. This Agreement shall come into force upon signature by both parties and become effective on the date of its publication in the Register of Contracts at the earliest. About this fact, UO is required to notify the other Contracting Party.

## 10. Termination of the agreement

If either of the institutions wishes to terminate the inter-institutional agreement preliminary, they will inform the other party one academic year in advance, the latest before the start of the selection procedure of students for mobility for the next year. Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

# SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Scanned copies of signatures or digital signatures may be accepted depending on the national legislation