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# Erasmus+ Programme Inter-institutional agreement Key Action 1 Learning mobility for 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 year 2022 in:

- KA171
- KA131

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</u><sup>3</sup> and in line with the technical standards of the <u>European Student Card Initiative</u><sup>4</sup>, 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

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> https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/higher-education-charter\_en

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

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

Name of the institution (and department where relevant)	Erasmus code or city <sup>5</sup>	Contact details <sup>6</sup> (email, phone)	Websites
Palacký University Olomouc	CZ OLOMOUC01	Institutional Coordinator:	General: <u>https://www.upol.cz/</u> Course catalogue: <u>www.stag.upol.cz/ects/</u> or
Křížkovského 8, 77147 Olomouc			www.international.upol.cz/en/exchange- programmes/im-an-exchange-student/news-general- information/#c69007
Department of Ecology		Department Coordinators:	internation/#cosoo7
and Environmental Sciences			Faculty/department: Faculty of Science (upol.cz)
Department of Botany			
Instituto Tecnológico de	E10213195	Institutional Director:	General: https://www.intec.edu.do/
Santo Domingo			Faculty/faculties: https://www.intec.edu.do/oferta-academica
			Course catalogue: Inside each program, after entering the faculty at https://www.intec.edu.do/oferta-academica

# 1. Information about the higher education institutions

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<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.

#### 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.

#### Number of student and staff mobility periods

FROM	то	Subject	Subject	Study		Number of	f mobility periods	
Erasmus code or city of the sending institution	Erasmus code or city of the receiving institution	area ISCED CODE <sup>7</sup> (optional)	area cycle NAME 1st , 2nd or (optional) 3rd]	Student Mobility total number of students	Student Mobility total number of months	<b>Staff Mobility</b> total number of staff	<b>Staff Mobility</b> total number of days	
CZ OLOMOU C01	E1021319 5	051	Biological and related areas		0	0	1	5
E1021319 5	CZ OLOMOUC 01	051	Biological and related areas		0	0	1	5

Optional additional information	
N/A	

<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

## 2. 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</u><sup>8</sup> at the start of the mobility period (see also section 5 "Preparation and Support").

Receiving	Language	Recommended level		
institution	of instruction 1	Student Mobility	Staff Mobility	
CZ OLMOUC01	English	N/A	C1	
E10213195	English	N/A	B2	

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.

#### 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+ mobility period. 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.

<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): http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr

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	
Palacký University will contribute to organisational costs based on the number	Selection of students and staff arrangements.	
of eligible mobilities carried out during the project.	Linguistic and intercultural preparation provided to both incoming and outbound 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.	
	Promoting and managing the participation of individuals with fewer opportunities; identifying and promoting civic engagement activities and monitoring participation in such activities.	

#### 3. 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.

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

<b>Receiving institution</b>	Term duration	Deadline
CZ OLOMOUC01	Winter Term: September to December Spring Term: February to May	N/A
E10213195	Winter Term: from September to December Spring Term: from February to June	N/A

The receiving institution will send its decision within 4 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:

#### Selection criteria

Please sum up in this table the selection criteria. This is a non-exhaustive list – partners are invited to agree on the eventual list of selection criteria.

CZ OLOMOUC01	Details	Website for information (optional)
Academic requirements	Academic transcript Online application English Language Certificate/Statement of Language Level Learning Agreement	
CV	Yes/no	
Motivation letter	Yes/no	
Inclusion measures <sup>9</sup>	<ul> <li>Reduced mobility</li> <li>Hearing or visual impairments</li> <li>Special educational needs</li> <li>Mental health issues</li> </ul>	www.upol.cz/en/welcome-office/health-well-being
Other		

E10213195	Details	Website for information (optional)	
Academic requirements	Academic transcript Online application English Language Certificate/Statement of Language Level Learning Agreement		
CV	Yes/no		
Motivation letter	Yes/no		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</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>

Inclusion measures <sup>10</sup>	<ul> <li>Reduced mobility</li> <li>Hearing or visual impairments</li> <li>Special educational needs</li> <li>Mental health issues</li> </ul>	
Other	menta nearch 1550C5	

## 4. Preparation and support

The Higher Education Institution(s) in an EU Member State or associated third country commit(s) to:

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

- 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.

## CZ OLOMOUC01

Preparatory & Support Measures	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation		
Visa		www.mzv.cz/jnp/en/information_for_aliens/index.html
Insurance		www.upol.cz/en/welcome-office/health-well-being/#c66924/
Inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities		www.upol.cz/en/welcome-office/health-well-being
Grant payments		

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Preparatory & Support Measures	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	Institutional Mobility Office	
Visa		
Insurance		
Inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities		

#### 5. Recognition

Institutions commit to:

- Ensure recognition for activities satisfactorily completed
- 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:
  - 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.
  - o A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 4 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.

## 6. Grading systems of the institutions

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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</u>. The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

Institution		Website for information
CZ OLOMOUC01	N/A	1977년 2월 1978년 1979년 1979년 1979년 1979년 1971년 1971년 1971년 1971년 1971
E10213195	N/A	

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

#### SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution	Name, function	Date	Signature <sup>11</sup>
CZ OLOMOUC01			
	Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator		Datum: 2024.03.05 09:18:16 +01'00'
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		22/02/2024	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Scanned copies of signatures or digital signatures may be accepted depending on the national legislation