

2021-2027

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 institutions¹ 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 2023-2026 in:

- KA131
- KA171

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 <u>Erasmus Charter for Higher Education</u>² and in this agreement.

The institutions agree on exchanging their mobility-related data according to the <u>principles of GDPR</u>³ and in line with the technical standards of the <u>European Student Card Initiative</u>⁴, 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.

¹ Inter-institutional agreements can be bilateral or multilateral in the case of mobility consortia:

⁻ 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.

² https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/higher-education-charter_en_

³ https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/law-topic/data-protection/reform/rules-business-and-organisations/principles-gdpr en

⁴ https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative en

1. Information about the higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department where relevant)	Erasmus code or city ⁵	Contact details ⁶ (email, phone)	Websites
University of Rijeka	HR RIJEKA01	Erasmus Mobility Office University of Rijeka Trg braće Mažuranića 10, 51000 Rijeka international@uniri.hr; www.uniri.hr Departmental coordinator:	General: https://uniri.hr/en/home/ Faculty/faculties: https://uniri.hr/en/about-university/international-relations-and-erasmus/english-home-pages-and-courses/ Course catalogue: https://uniri.hr/en/about-university/international-relations-and-erasmus/english-home-pages-and-courses/
University Of Pretoria	ZA PRETOR01 PIC 999861645	Contact Person: Ms.Jun-Rose Ngcobo Manager: International Partnerships june- rose.ngcobo@up.ac.z a Institutional Coordinator: Itumeleng Njoro Itumeleng.njoro@up.ac.za	General: https://www.up.ac.za/ Course catalogue: https://www.up.ac.za/yearbooks/home

⁵ Higher education institutions (HEIs) from 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.

⁶ 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.

Number of student and staff mobility periods

FROM	ТО	Subject area	Subject area	Study		Number of n	nobility periods	
[Erasmus code or city of the sending institution]	[Erasmus code or city of the receiving institution]	ISCED CODE ⁷ (optional)	NAME (optional)	cycle [short cycle, 1st , 2nd or 3rd] (optional)	Student Mobility [Specify here total number of students]	Student Mobility [Specify here total number of months]	Staff Mobility [Specify here total number of staff]	Staff Mobility [Specify here total number of days]
HR RIJEKA01	ZA PRETOR01				0		3	
ZA PRETORO1	HR RIJEKA01				4		3	

Optional additional information

 $^{^{7} \, \}underline{\text{https://circabc.europa.eu/sd/a/286ebac6-aa7c-4ada-a42b-ff2cf3a442bf/ISCED-F\%202013\%20-\%20Detailed\%20field\%20descriptions.pdf}$

e.g. blended mobility, traineeships, staff training etc.

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 $\underline{\text{language skills}}^8$ at the start of the mobility period (see also section 5 "Preparation and Support").

Receiving institution	Subject	Language	Language	Recommended level		
[Erasmus code or city]	area (Optional)	of instruction 1	of instruction 2	Student Mobility [Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages: B1]	Staff Mobility [Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages for teaching: B2]	
HR RIJEKA01		English	Croatian	B2	B2	
ZA PRETOR01		English	English	B1	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.

⁸ 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

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+ 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.

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
The University of Rijeka will have 100% of organizational support funds.	Project implementation Budget management Financial agreements Financial payments
	Interim / final reports Collection of documentation Administration of mobilities in Beneficiary Module

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.

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

Term duration	Deadline ⁹
Winter Term: from October to February	1 st June
Spring Term: from March to July	1 st November
Autumn Term: from January to June	Second Semester (Winter/Spring) 31 March of the same year
Spring Term: from July to December	of March of the Same year
	First Semester (Summer/Autumn) 30 September of the preceding year
	Winter Term: from October to February Spring Term: from March to July Autumn Term: from January to June

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:

⁹ Please specify the deadline for each semester and, if necessary, adapt to a trimester system.

Application procedure		
Receiving Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr	https://uniri.hr/en/about-university/international-relations-and-erasmus/erasmus-credit-mobility-ka107/
ZA PRETOR01	Itumeleng Njoro Itumeleng.njoro@up.ac.za	https://www.up.ac.za/online- application/article/2445192/apply-at-the-university-of- pretoria

Selection criteria

Requirement	Details	Website for information (optional)
Academic requirements	Number of ECTS credits (or equivalent) already completed / current level of completion of studies Subject area (ISCED code) EQF level	
CV		
Motivation letter		
Inclusion measures ¹⁰	Targeted categories of participants with fewer opportunities (see Erasmus+ Programme Guide)	

¹⁰ 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

	To further enhance the inclusion dimension of KA171, partners are encouraged to discuss indicative targets during selection process.	
Other		

6. Preparation and support

The Higher Education Institution(s) in a 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 11.
- 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.

¹¹ The Erasmus Student Charter is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/student-charter 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.

Preparatory & Support Measures	Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	HR RIJEKA01	scri.uniri@scri.hr, scri.smjestaj@gmail.com esn.rijeka@gmail.com	https://www.facebook.com/ErasmusRijeka/?fref=ts
Language Support	HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr	https://academy.europa.eu/
Visa	HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr; ministarstvo@mvep.hr	www.uniri.hr https://mvep.gov.hr/embassies-and-consulates/244596
Insurance	HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr; hzzo@hzzo.hr	www.hzzo.hr
Inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities	HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr	e.g. available infrastructure for: Reduced mobility or hearing/visual impairments, students/staff with children, etc.
Mentoring	HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr	https://uniri.hr/en/about-university/international- relations-and-erasmus/erasmus-credit-mobility- ka107/
Grant payments	HR RIJEKA01	international@uniri.hr	https://uniri.hr/en/about-university/international- relations-and-erasmus/erasmus-credit-mobility- ka107/
Alumni information			

Preparatory & Support Measures	Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	ZA PRETOR01	Student Accommodation tuksres@up.ac.za	https://www.up.ac.za/student-accommodation
Language Support	ZA PRETOR01	Department of English lindiwe.mahlangu@up.ac.za	https://www.up.ac.za/english
Visa	ZA PRETOR01	Itumeleng Njoro Itumeleng.njoro@up.ac.za	https://www.up.ac.za/international-cooperation-division/article/2512078/visa
Insurance	ZA PRETOR01	Itumeleng Njoro Itumeleng.njoro@up.ac.za	https://www.up.ac.za/international-cooperation-division/article/2512092/medical-cover-
Inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities	ZA PRETORO1	Disability Unit du@up.ac.za	https://www.up.ac.za/disability-unit
Mentoring	ZA PRETORO1	First Year Experience (FYE)	https://www.up.ac.za/student- affairs/article/2887523/first-year-experience-fye
Grant payments			
Alumni information			

7. Recognition

Institutions commit to:

• Ensure recognition for activities satisfactorily completed.

HR RIJEKA01: Recognition in accordance with Learning agreement

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- 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.
 - o A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 5 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI.
 - o Providing 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</u>¹². 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
HR RIJEKA01		https://uniri.hr/en/about-university/international-relations-and- erasmus/english-home-pages-and-courses/

ZA PRETORO1

Assessments (Examinations, tests and essays) Examinations and essays

An examination in a module may be oral and/or written. Essays are prepared and examined as stipulated in faculty regulations. Pass requirements: In order to pass a module, a student must: obtain the minimum examination mark prescribed for that module; obtain a final mark of at least 50%; comply with the subminimum in subdivisions of modules, as stipulated in the regulations of the particular faculties. Each faculty should, by way of faculty regulations, determine the weight that is allocated to the year or semester mark. The examination mark in the calculation of the final mark of the student: Provided that not all year modules and semester modules in a faculty need to be dealt with in the same way. Although a large degree of uniformity is desirable. Subject to other faculty regulations, a student passes a module with distinction if he or she obtains a final mark of at least 75%.

12 The ECTS user's guide is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources-and-tools/document-library/ects-users-guide_en

Rating code Rating Marks %

Outstanding achievement	80 - 100%		
Meritorious achievement	70 - 79%		
Substantial achievement	60 - 69%		
Adequate achievement	50 - 59%		
Moderate achievement	40 - 49%		
Elementary achievement	30 - 39%		
Not achieved	0 - 29%		

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

10. Termination of the agreement

[It is up to the involved institutions to agree on the procedure for modifying or terminating the inter-institutional agreement. However, in the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: "Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict."]

SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code or name and city]	Name, function	Date	Signature ¹³	
HR RIJEKA01	Prof. Snježana Prijić Samaržija, PhD., Rector	8.04.20:4	Much	10° 10° 10° 10° 10° 10° 10° 10° 10° 10°
ZA PRETOR01	Prof. Sunil Maharaj Vice-Principal Research, Innovation and Postgraduate Education	20 March 2024	Mh.Ly.	P. I.S.

¹³ Scanned copies of signatures or digital signatures may be accepted depending on the national legislation