

Erasmus Mundus action

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International cooperation

Programme Countries



EU Member States

+

**Non-EU
Programme
Countries:**

Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway,
Republic of North Macedonia,
Serbia, Turkey

+

Partner Countries

**All other
countries
throughout the
world**



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Erasmus+ Programme 2021-2027



New programme 2021-2027

KA1

Learning
Mobility
for
Individuals

KA2

Cooperation
for Innovation
& Good
practices

KA3

Support
for
Policy
reform



EMJMD



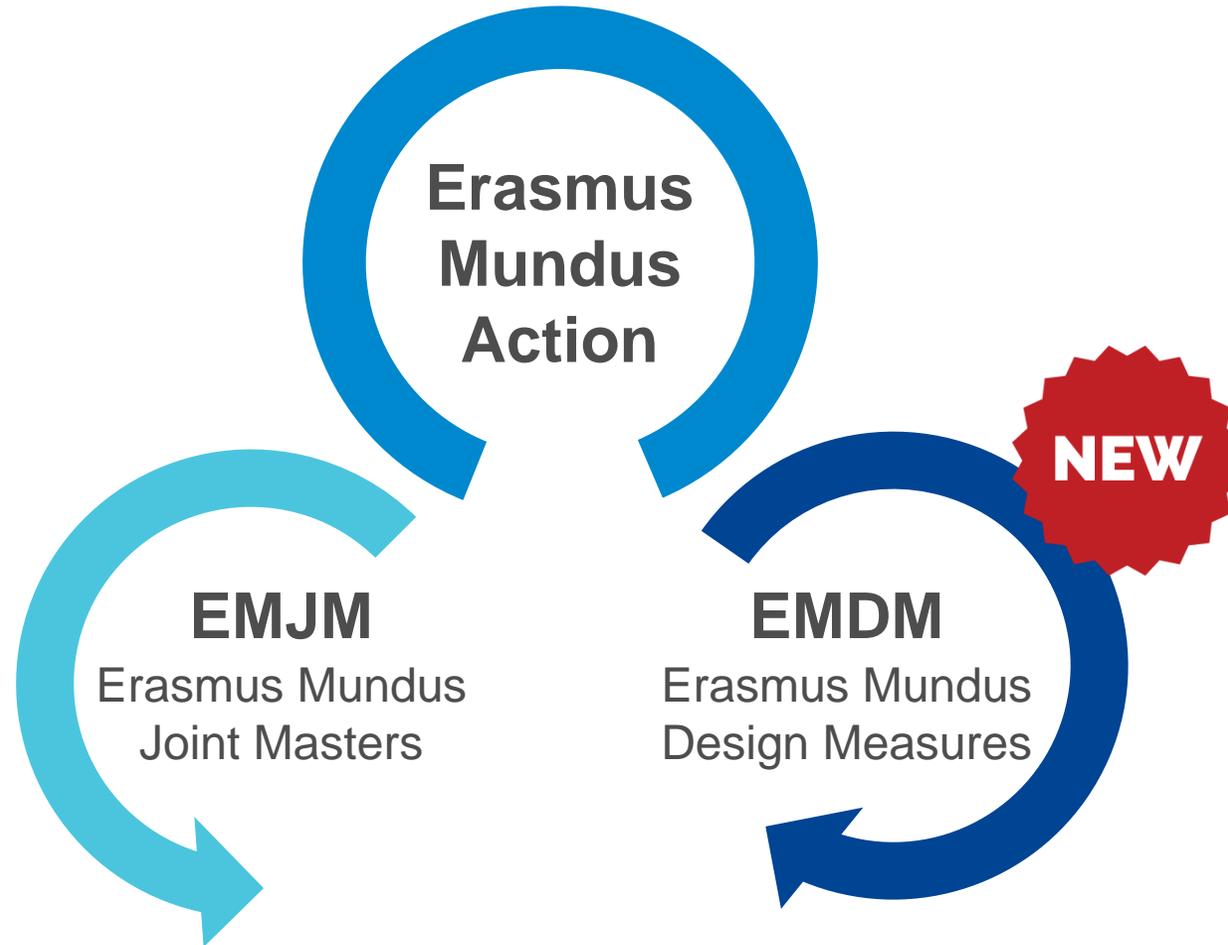
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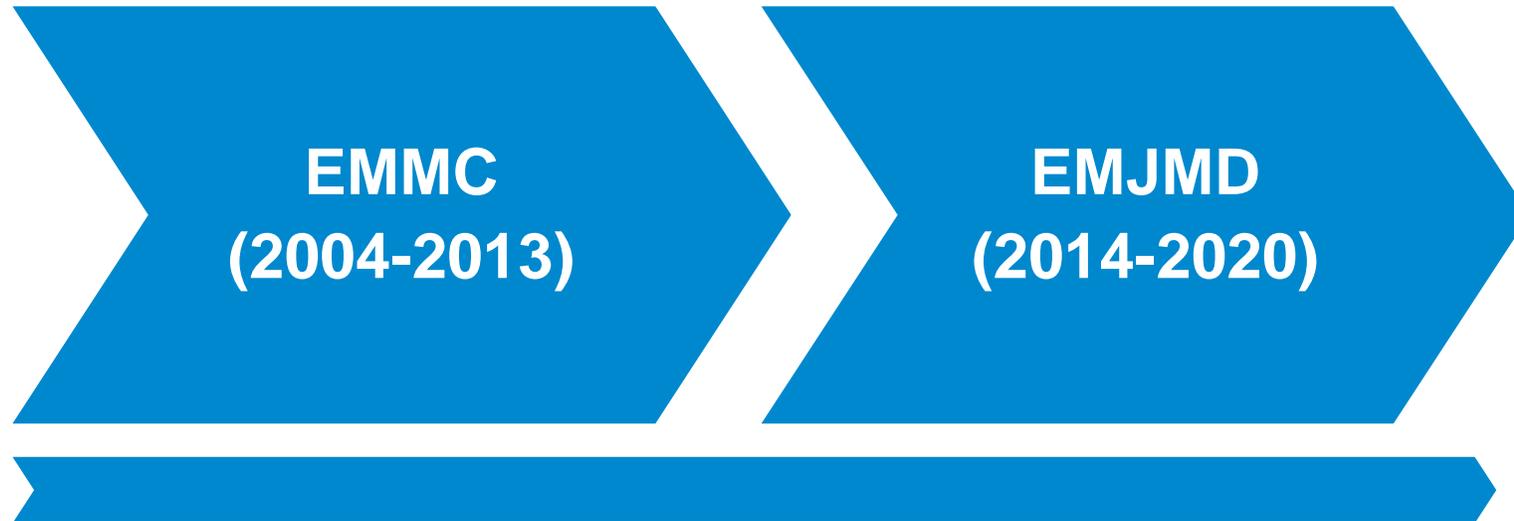
EMJM in brief...

- ✓ 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 (a **consortium of at least three HEIs** from three different countries of which at least two must be Programme Countries)
- ✓ Offering **high-level scholarships** to excellent students worldwide
- ✓ **Joint degree or multiple degrees**

EMJM – main objectives

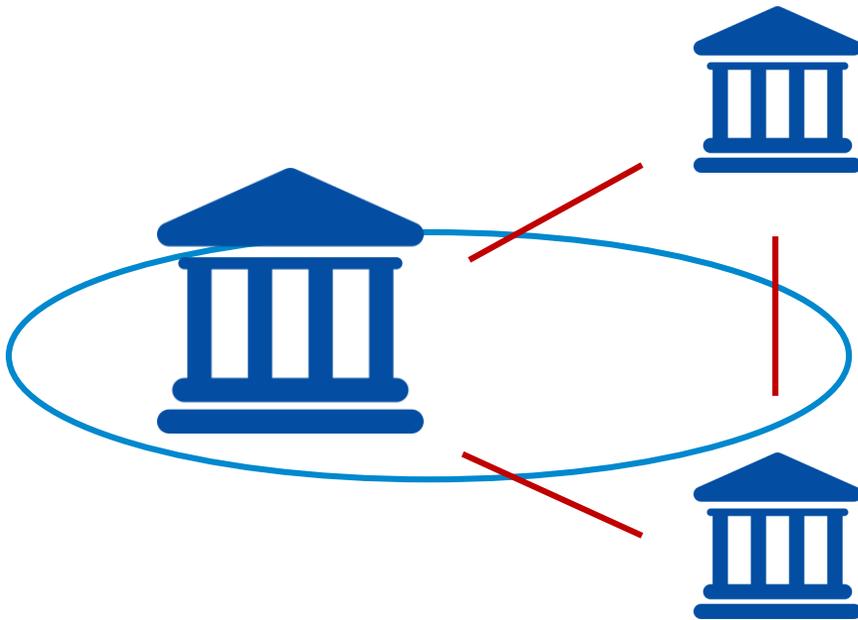
- ✓ **Support quality, innovation, excellence, internationalisation** of HEIs through **academic cooperation** within the EHEA and beyond
- ✓ **Increase quality** and **attractiveness** of the EHEA
- ✓ **Support EU External Action** in higher education
- ✓ **Increase synergies between HE, innovation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

Erasmus Mundus Masters at a glance...



- 535 Master programmes
- 610 different HEIs from 33 Programme countries
- 24,500 students worldwide
- Total budget of 1,7 billion €

Taking part as an Organisation



- Open to any public and private organisations in Programme & Partner countries
- Applications can be submitted by any eligible Programme or Partner country HEI
- ✓ Programme country HEIs: **valid ECHE**
- ✓ Partner country HEIs: **should commit to ECHE principles** in the Partnership Agreement
- ✓ Programme and partner country HEIs: **completed accreditation/evaluation of the master programme** 

Minimum consortium: **3 HEIs from 3 different countries** of which at least 2 must be Programme countries
+ optional

Other full academic or non-academic partners

Associated partners



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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**



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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 with ongoing EMJMs offering scholarships:
<https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/scholarships>



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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**



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EMJM Award Criteria (1)

❖ **Relevance of the project** (max 30 points)

- ✓ overall aims and objectives of the project and relevance to the EMJM
- ✓ project rationale and how it responds to identified societal and labour market needs
- ✓ strategy to foster excellence and innovation
- ✓ strategy to increase the attractiveness, integration and internationalisation of the EHEA

❖ **Quality of the project design and implementation** (max 30 points)

- ✓ jointness/integration of the EMJM (e.g. design, implementation, quality assurance)
- ✓ contribution of mobile staff and invited scholars to teaching, training, research
- ✓ specific support for facilitating access to participants with individual needs
- ✓ strategy for risk assessment and mitigating measures

EMJM Award Criteria (2)

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

- ✓ consortium composition, complementarities of the partners, added value and benefits
- ✓ innovative character of the consortium, experience of partners, cooperation with non-educational actors
- ✓ institutional commitment, roles and tasks of partners and cooperation arrangements
- ✓ funding distribution and budget plan; mobilisation and management of complementary funding

❖ **Impact** (max 20 points)

- ✓ projections in terms of enrolled students, mobilisation of other funding, measures to ensure geographical balance of students
- ✓ promotion strategy to attract excellent students worldwide
- ✓ dissemination and exploitation strategy
- ✓ impact at system level, institutional level and individual level
- ✓ mid/long-term development and sustainability strategy



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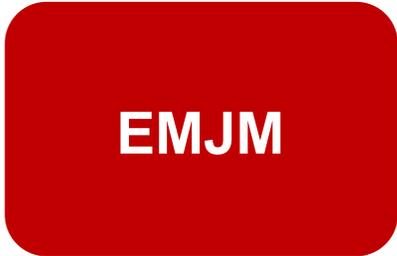
EMJM Evaluation procedure

- 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**", then "**Impact**" and then "**Quality**"

EMJM FUNDING RULES



1 simplified EU GRANT



2 main targets



3 components
=
3 unit cost



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

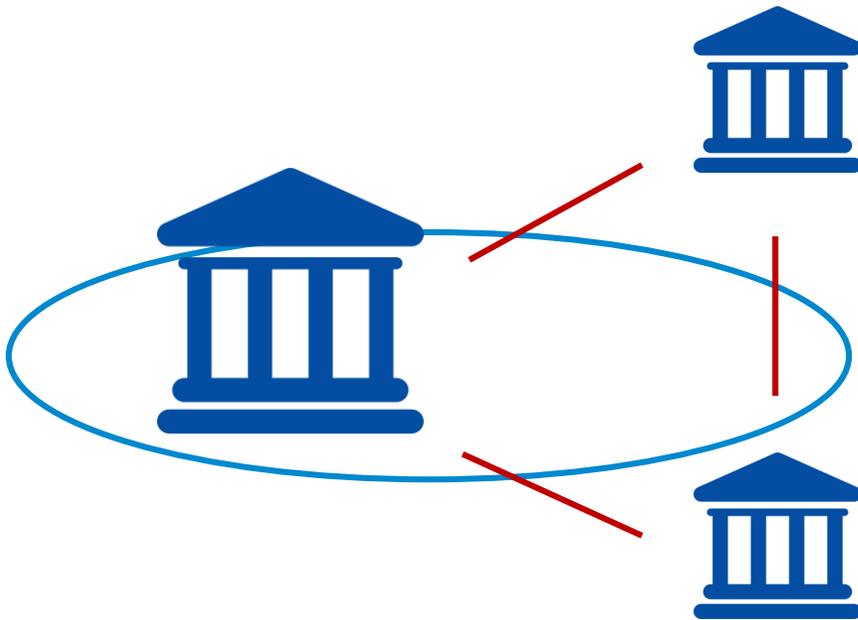


Start with an Erasmus Mundus Design Measure and launch the basis for a joint programme

Rationale behind EMDM lot and EMDM Set-up

- ✓ Filling the gap of the Erasmus Mundus Action by supporting the **development** of new master programmes
- ✓ Diversify the offer of Joint Master Programmes and encourage new academic cooperation by involving **under-represented** Erasmus+ Programme Countries, institutions, and/or thematic areas
- ✓ **Fixed duration of 15 months**
- ✓ EU Grant: single **lump sum contribution of 55.000 Euros** (for costs linked to the activities necessary to set up the new joint master programme)

Taking part as an Organisation



- Applications can be submitted by **any eligible Programme or Partner country HEI**
- Open to **any public and private organisations** in Programme & Partner countries
- HEIs established in a Programme country must hold a valid **Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE)**

EMDM Award Criteria (1)

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

- ✓ Aims and specific objectives of the project and their relevance
- ✓ Strategy proposed
- ✓ Project ambition
- ✓ New consortia and potential to involve under-represented Programme Countries/institutions/thematic areas

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

- ✓ Planning of the activities to achieve the objectives and outcomes
- ✓ Operational resources
- ✓ Steps foreseen to launch an accreditation/evaluation process



EMDM Award Criteria (2)

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

- ✓ Definition of roles and distribution of tasks in the project team
- ✓ Expected involvement of other educational/non-educational actors and their contribution to the design of the programme.
- ✓ Rationale of their participation, added value and complementarity

❖ **Impact** (max 20 points)

- ✓ Expected impact
- ✓ Promotion and dissemination
- ✓ Sustainability and identification of possible sources of funding

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**", then "**Impact**" and then "**Quality**"



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Erasmus+ EMJM and EMDM calls for proposals 2021



| Milestones | Dates |
|---|----------------------|
| Deadline for submission of applications | June 17, 2021 |
| Award Decision and notification to applicants | tbc |
| Preparation and signature of grant agreements | tbc |



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How to apply? – EMJM and EMDM



Funding opportunities for 2021-2027 and information on how to apply are announced on the **European Commission's Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal**:

<https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home>



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Information about the programme

- ✓ Erasmus+ Programme guide
- ✓ Erasmus Mundus Calls for proposals 2021
 - Funding & tender opportunities portal
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Other information sources

- ✓ Statistical factsheets on Erasmus Mundus 2014-2020 achievements: *coming soon*
- ✓ Report “Implementing Joint Degrees in the Erasmus Mundus action of the Erasmus+ programme”
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/sites/resources/implementing-joint-degrees-in-erasmus-mundus-action-erasmus-programme_en
- ✓ EMJMD Cluster meeting 2018: European Approach for Quality Assurance of Joint Programmes and follow-up event "Implementing the European Approach for Quality Assurance for EMJMDs":
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/events/erasmus-mundus-joint-master-degrees-06-2019_en
- ✓ Policy paper: "EMJMDs - The story so far"
 - https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/sites/eacea-site/files/2_policy_paper_on_joint_degrees.pdf
- ✓ Sustainability of Erasmus Mundus Master Courses - Best practice guide
 - <https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/sites/eacea-site/files/sustainabilitysurvey2017.pdf>





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