



Erasmus Mundus action

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International cooperation

EU Member States and Third countries associated to the programme



+

Third countries not associated to the programme



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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



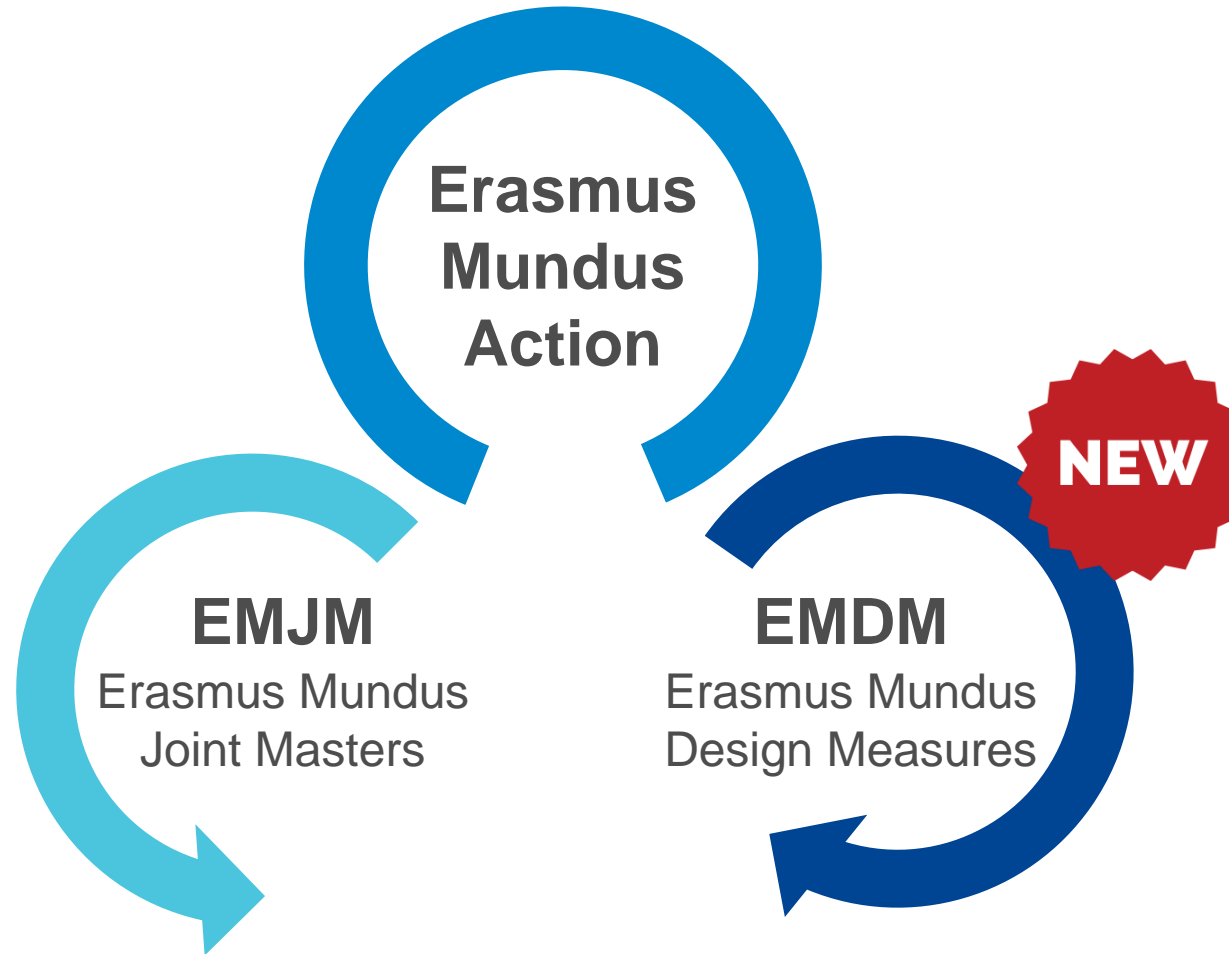
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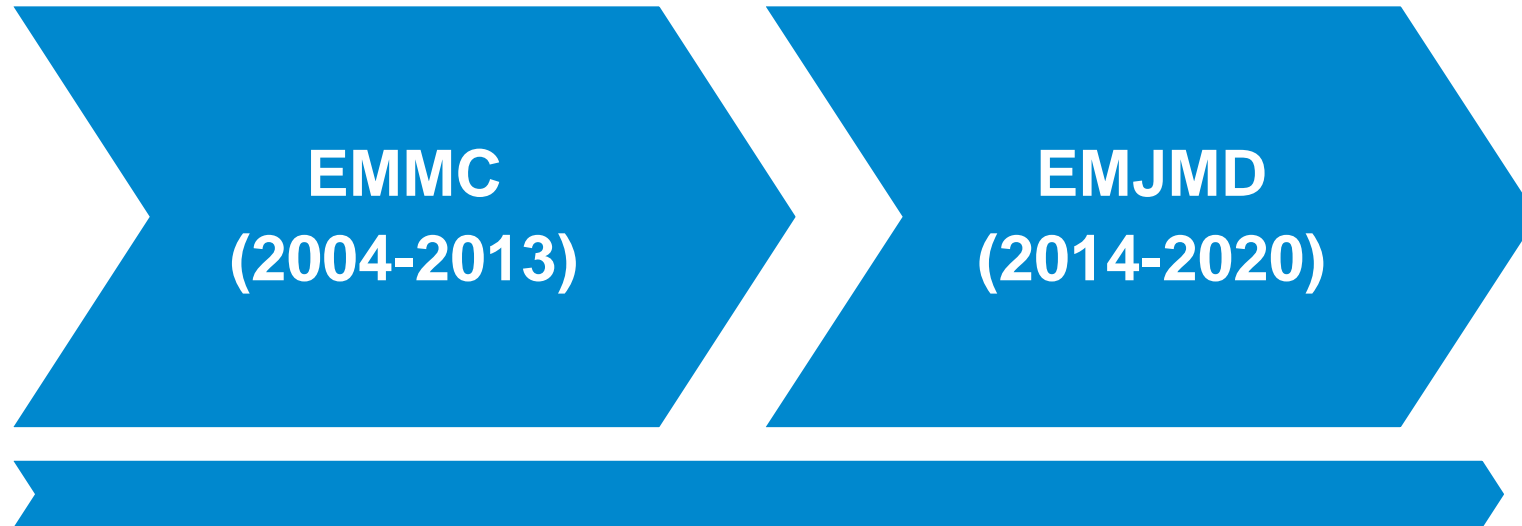
EMJM in brief...

- ✓ 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

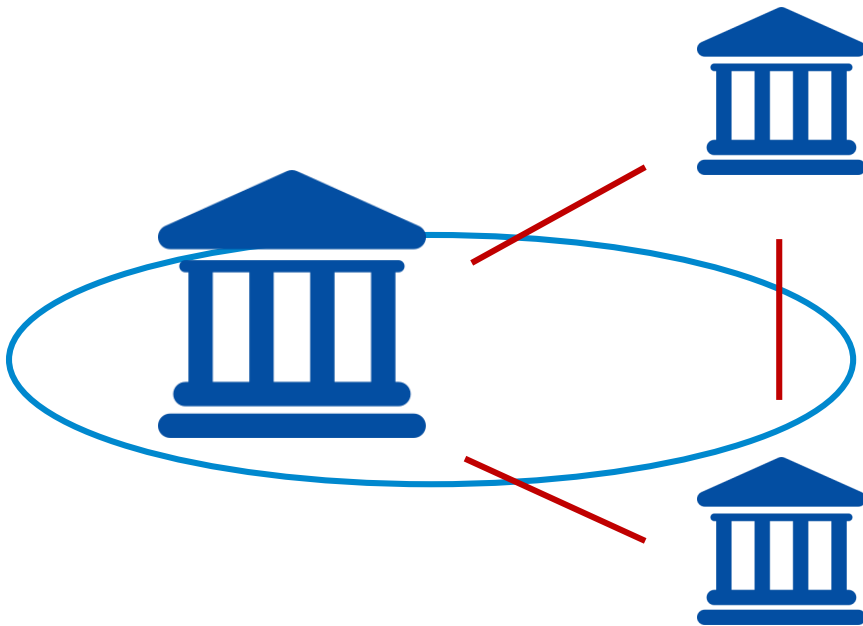
- ✓ **Support quality, innovation, excellence, internationalisation** of HEIs through **academic cooperation** within the EHEA and beyond
- ✓ **Increase quality** and **attractiveness** of the EHEA
- ✓ **Support EU External Action** in higher education
- ✓ **Increase synergies between HE, innovation 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



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



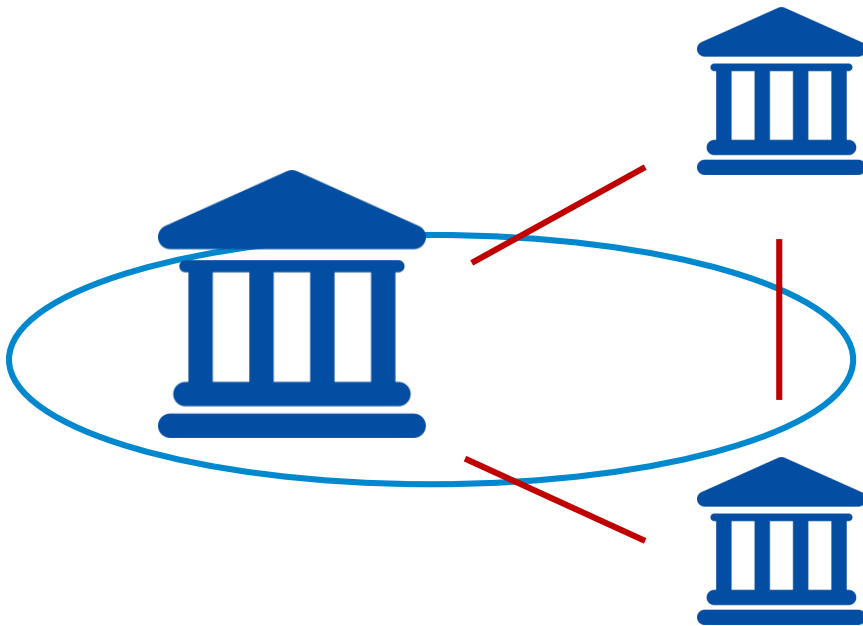
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Rationale behind EMDM lot and EMDM Set-up

- ✓ 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)**



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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**"



Erasmus+ EMJM and EMDM calls for proposals 2021



Milestones	Dates
Deadline for submission of applications	February 16, 2023
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 2022
 - Funding & tender opportunities portal
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Other information sources

- ✓ Statistical factsheets on Erasmus Mundus 2014-2020 achievements
- ✓ 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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