Inclusion and Diversity in the future Erasmus Programme

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The Current Erasmus+ Structure (2014-2020)

Key Action 1
- Learning mobility
  - staff
  - learners
  - youth workers
  - youth exchanges

Key Action 2
- Cooperation between organisations
  - Strategic Partnerships
  - Knowledge Alliances
  - European Universities
  - Sector Skills Alliances
  - Capacity Building

Key Action 3
- Support for policy reform
  - Youth Dialogue projects
  - Policy experimentations
  - Evidence gathering
  - etc.

Jean Monnet Activities
- Sport Activities
Where are we with the current Programme?

- More than 37 500 people with special needs have taken part in mobility activities (Key Action 1) over the period 2014-2018.

- Overall, more than 5 300 projects on the subjects disabilities / special needs, have been funded since 2014.

- On inclusion more broadly speaking, more than 22 600 projects, have been supported under several actions of Erasmus+ since 2014. They represent approximately 17.5% of all Erasmus+ projects.
Active involvement in the current Programme

• Promoting participation of people with disabilities in European/Stakeholder events

• Bridging links with other policies and services (e.g. European Disability Strategy and Conference on the Day of People with Disabilities)

• Giving visibility through success stories and testimonials

• Collecting inputs and needs for reference documents and other materials

• Any other ideas on your side?
What can we expect from the future?

- Inclusion and diversity at the heart of the future Erasmus
- Enhanced visibility of inclusion and diversity measures
- A more accessible programme for people with fewer opportunities and the organisations in the field.
The future Programme

- Continuity in terms of structure

- Specific new actions proposed to increase inclusion and accessibility (small-scale partnerships, youth participation activities, pupils mobility, etc.)

- Key priorities, with inclusion and diversity at the heart, together with sustainability, participation, simplification and a more digital Erasmus

- Constant engagement of stakeholders in all programme stages
Examples of specific measures explored

• Increased financial support – including for organisations
• Increased flexibility in the management of this support
• Thematic emphasis and inclusion as a qualitative assessment criterion
• Reinforced guidance and training for National Agencies, evaluators and organisations
• Capacity building in the area of Inclusion and Diversity for Erasmus implementing structures in all fields (e.g. SALTO, Inclusion officers, etc.)
How to frame these efforts?

Through a **Cross-sectoral Inclusion and Diversity Strategy**: 

- Flexible framework with a consistent approach and terminology
- Facilitating an improved measuring and monitoring process
- Providing anchors for more detailed specific documents and tools
- Providing guidelines and recommendations for organizations and National Agencies
- Building synergies among different actors and programmes to foster inclusion and linking towards best practices and inspirational examples.
The definition of the Strategy

• Full collaboration with stakeholders in the field of inclusion and diversity through different channels – such as written consultations, expert meetings, etc.

• Collection of feedback through the mid-term evaluation and open consultation of the programme, institutional reports, …

• Inspiration from best practices such as the “Inclusion and Diversity Strategy in the youth field”

• Coherence with the design and architecture with the future programme and the implementing mechanisms
Where to find more information about Erasmus+?


- **Visit the websites of the Erasmus+ National Agencies** in your country: [https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/contact/national-agencies_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/contact/national-agencies_en)

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• Learn more about our funded projects in the Erasmus+ Project Results Platform: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects/

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Thank you!

Any questions or feedback?