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Today's agenda:

- Context
- First call
- Second call
- Application process
- Q&A



Context

European Universities:

a strong political mandate

December 2017
European
Council
Conclusions

"Education and culture are key to building inclusive and cohesive societies, and to sustaining our competitiveness."

- stepping up mobility and exchanges, including through a substantially strengthened, inclusive and extended Erasmus+ programme;
- strengthening strategic partnerships across the EU between higher education institutions and encouraging the emergence by 2024 of some twenty 'European Universities', consisting in bottom-up networks of universities across the EU which will enable students to obtain a degree by combining studies in several EU countries and contribute to the international competitiveness of European universities;





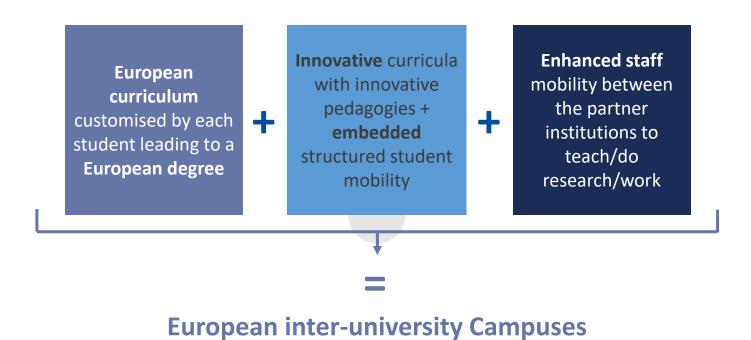
Key elements of European Universities by 2025



- Deep level of inter university cooperation
- Joint long-term strategy
- Made by and for students, academics, researchers and staff
- Involving all types of higher education institutions with broad geographical scope



Structural, Systemic and Sustainable impact



Bachelor/Master/Doctoral levels



Acting as role models



Foster an entrepreneurial mind-set and civic engagement

Transnational
Transdisciplinary
knowledge-creating teams of
students/teachers/researchers
addressing
big societal challenges (challenged-based approach)





First call

Testing phase 1: Progress with the first call (2019)



EUR 85 million for 17 alliances (maximum EUR 5 million each, 3 years)



Deadline for submission 28 February 2019:

- 54 applications
- more than 300 HEIs involved, from all Member States
- different types of HEIs (e.g. research-based, technical, applied sciences, medical...)



Evaluation results published on 28 June: 17 selected European Universities



RESULTS OF 1ST CALL



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES

17
ALLIANCES

114
HIGHER EDUCATION
INSTITUTIONS

24
MEMBER STATES

€5 MILLION max per alliance

3 YEARS funding period

- 22 alliances above the quality threshold but below funding line
- below the quality threshold



Success factors

- Relevance & level of ambition of common long term vision
- Transformational impact on institutions, at all levels
- Contribution to European Education Area, geographical balance
- Consistency between strategy and work plan of activities
- High involvement of students and staff at all levels
- Concrete deliverables after 3 years



A diverse spectrum of higher education institutions

- √48 eligible applications
 - Around 80% had between 5 and 8 partners, on average 6 partners
 - 2/3 comprehensive and research-intensive universities
 - 1/3 technical universities, universities in the fields of arts, universities of applied sciences, distance-learning
- √ 17 pilot European Universities
 - Around 90% have between 5 and 8 partners, on average **7 partners**
 - *35% include a technical, applied sciences or art university
 - Small, medium-sized and large institutions involved
 - Previous cooperating partners have reached out to new partners



Transformational Impact

- Systemic, structural and sustainable impact
- Institution wide, going beyond individual departments and faculties
- Parity of esteem btw education and R&I
- Specific trans-disciplinary challenges (challengebased approach)
- Aim to become role models
- Make the 'knowledge square' a reality

Education Research Innovation Service to society

Diversity of innovative governance models

- Common management and support structures
- Administrative, management, infrastructure and cultural changes
- Joint high-level boards, steering committees, strategy boards
- Co-creation governance model with students and staff



Embedded and seamless mobility

- 50% (sometimes 100%) target of student mobility
- More flexible and innovative mobility formats
- Multilingualism
- Automatic recognition
- EU student card initiative



Student-centred learning and teaching

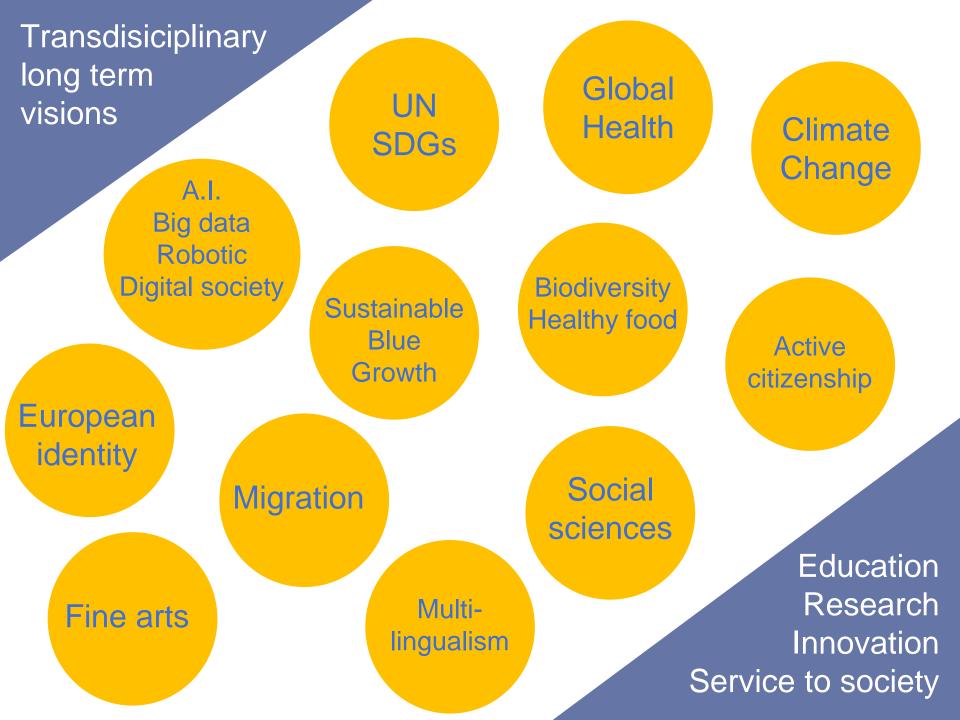
- Pool courses/programmes/modules together
- Flexible, modular, personalised curriculum
- Combination of full joint degrees with micro-credentials
- Continuous learning
- Innovative pedagogies: mix of face-to-face and virtual, flipped classroom, transdisciplinary & transnational challenge-based co-creation teams



Knowledge co-creating teams

- Transdisciplinary and transnational knowledge co-creating teams of students, academics, researchers
- Wide diversity of associated partners:
 regions, cities, companies, NGOs, research centres
- Living labs
- Entrepreneursip, mentorship







Second call



Testing Phase 2: Progress with the second call (2020)





Increased overall budget of EUR 120 million confirmed by Erasmus+ programme committee



Call publication in autumn



Testing Phase 2: Progress with the second call (2020)

Continuity with the first call - minor clarifications - no major changes:

 Focus on unprecedented levels of institutionalised cooperation making it systemic, structural and sustainable



- Potential to transform the institutional cooperation between higher education institutions and bring it to the next level
- Share an integrated, long-term joint strategy for education with, where possible, links to research and innovation and society at large, that goes beyond any potential existing bilateral and multilateral cooperation



Testing Phase 2: Progress with the second call (2020)

 Step by step approach to <u>gradually implement activities</u> that are necessary to achieve the joint long-term vision



- Implemented by joint structures pooling their expertise, platforms, data and resources together
- Creative and innovative activities are key to reaching the joint long-term strategy



Award criteria

25	Relevance of the proposal
15	Geographical balance
20	Quality of the proposal and implementation
	Quality of the alliance cooperation arrangements
20	Sustainability and dissemination
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13:00 - 14:00 | Registration

14:00 - 14:15 | Welcome

• Themis Christophidou - Director-General, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (DG EAC), European Commission.

14:15 - 15:30 | Information session: 2020 Erasmus+ call for proposals on the European Universities Initiative

15:30 - 16:00 | Coffee break

16:00 - 16:15 | Introduction to the panel discussions

European Commissioner responsible for higher education.

16:15 - 17:45 | Panel discussions on the transformative role of the European Universities Initiative

· EU ministers responsible for higher education, academics and students.

17:45 - 18:00 | Closing remarks by the Finnish Minister for Science and Culture

Full roll-out under the next MFF







Increased budget, subject to agreement of co-legislators



Possibility to reapply under the next MFF after a positive evaluation

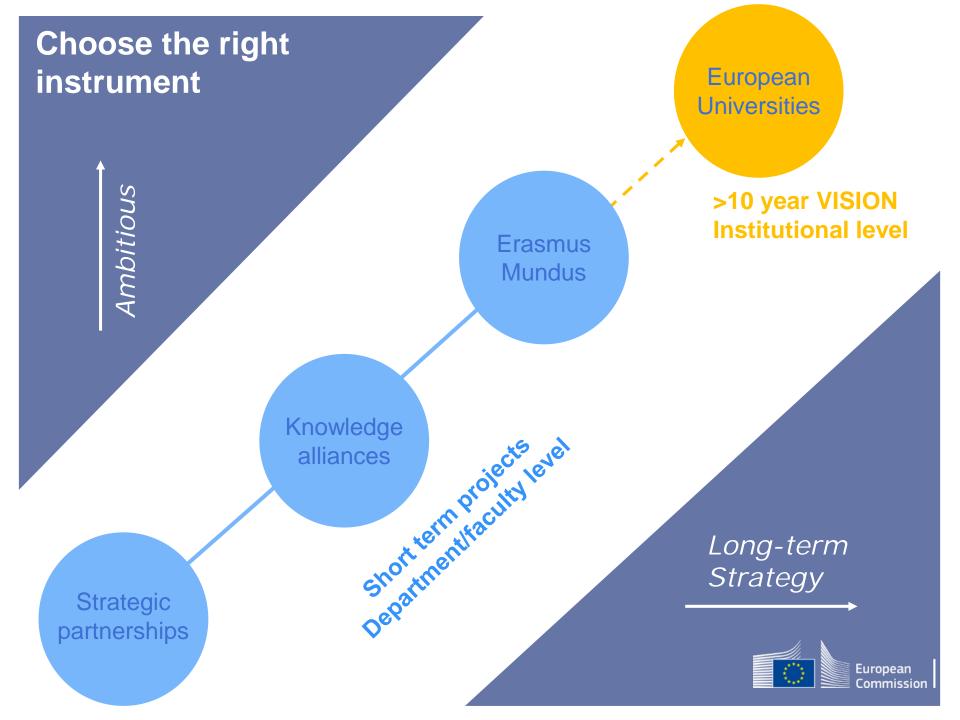


Synergies with other national, European & private funding sources



Work together to detect and lift remaining legal & administrative barriers







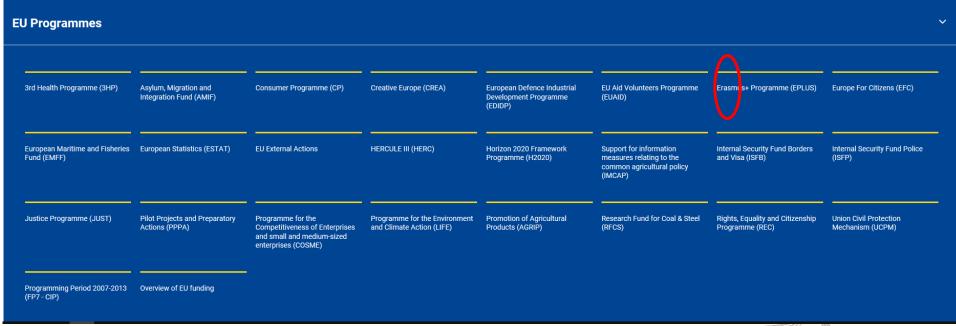
Application process



Funding & tender opportunities (the Single Electronic Data Interchange Area) is the entry point for participants and experts in funding programmes and tenders managed by the European Commission and other EU bodies.

Find calls for proposals and tenders







Select your type of action to start submission

To access the Electronic Submission Service, please click on the submission-button next to the type of action that corresponds to your proposal. You will then be asked to confirm your choice of the type of action and topic, as these cannot be changed in the submission system. Upon confirmation, you will be linked to the correct entry point.

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Type of Action: Coordination & support action [CSA]

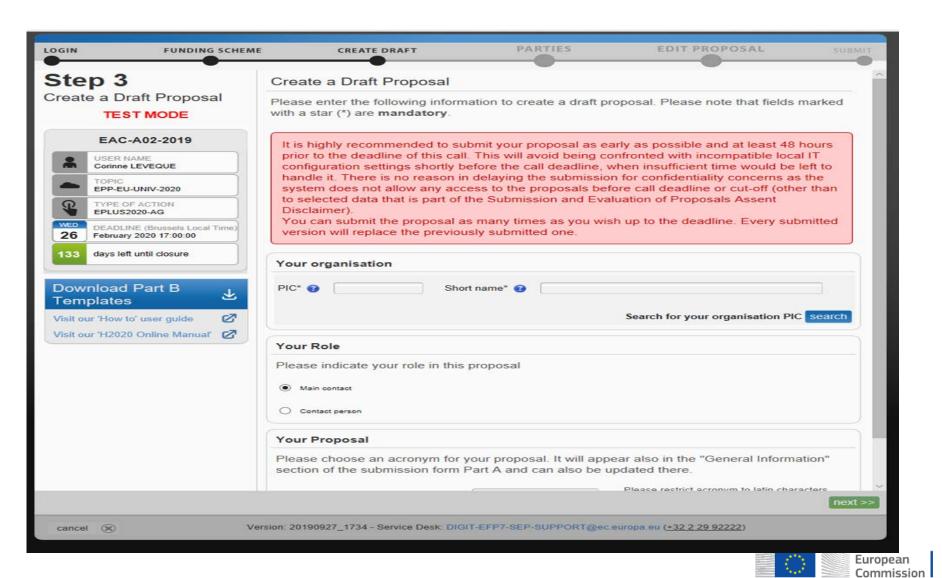


Get support









Application package

PART A: eForm with administrative data

PART B: Content information on the proposed alliance



Part B1 Project technical description European Universities 2020



Part B2 Budget table European Universities 2020



Part B3 Mission statement European Universities 2020

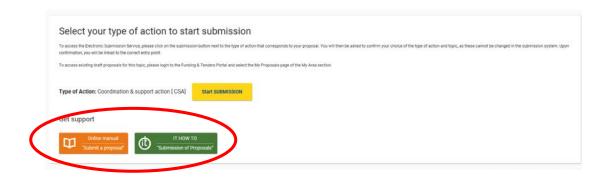


Advise

Initiate the submission well in advance. Editing and re-submission will be possible prior to the call deadline

The system is intuitive and guidance is embedded

If you need further guidance, you can consult the online manual or the accompanying visual guidance





For questions linked to the first and second calls please contact:

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Q&A

