

**Erasmus
Multilateral Projects
Co-operation between Higher education institutions and Enterprises**

[ERA 10]

Within the priorities set in the general call for proposals, the following information can be used

Objectives and description of the action

Structured [partnerships](#) with the business community (including [SMEs](#)) can increase the relevance, quality and attractiveness of education and training programmes: accelerated knowledge transfer between higher education institutions and enterprises and vice versa, [placements](#) of students, staff and researchers in business and integration of enterprise staff into institutions of higher education can contribute to mutual benefits and enhance the employability and career prospects of graduates and researchers at all stages of their career by adding entrepreneurial skills to their scientific expertise. Links with business can bring additional funding, for example to expand research capacity or to develop and provide new training and retraining courses, and will enhance the impact of higher education institution based research on SMEs and regional innovation. This also implies that the development of entrepreneurial, management and innovation skills should become an integral part of graduate education, research training and lifelong learning strategies for higher education institution staff.

Within the priorities announced in the general call for proposals, activities supported under this action may include the design of strategies for:

- Enhancing the employability of graduates (through curricular innovation, skills and competence development related to the European Qualification Framework - EQF etc.)
- The promotion of placements of students and academic staff in industry and vice versa and analysing the benefits of experiential learning
- The development of recognition and quality assurance agreements between university and enterprises in view of lifelong learning strategies

Who can benefit

- Higher education institutions
- Enterprises, in particular SMEs
- Professional organisations
- Chambers of commerce
- Social partners
- Local/regional/national bodies

Who can apply

Higher education institutions holders of an Erasmus University Charter on behalf of the partnership

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Selection Procedure [COM](#) **Management of selected projects** Executive Agency

Minimal size of the consortium

Please refer to Part II - [Annex 1](#) of the Lifelong Learning 2007 general Call for Proposals

Participating countries Please refer to Part II - section 3.1 of the Lifelong Learning 2007 general Call for Proposals

Duration , methods of funding, level of funding

Please refer to Part II - [Annex 1](#) of the Lifelong Learning 2007 general Call for Proposals

Funded activities Please refer to Part II - section 7 of the Lifelong Learning 2007 general Call for Proposals

Political priorities for this action

Please refer to Part I of the Lifelong Learning 2007 general Call for Proposals

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