



EU support to Ukraine under Erasmus+

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EU support to higher education in Ukraine

Showcase the EU support to Ukraine in the area of higher education, including the support for DigiUni project.

Moderator: Svitlana Shytikova, National Erasmus+ Office Coordinator - Ukraine Speakers:

- 1. Filip VAN DEPOELE, Head of International Cooperation Unit, DG EAC, European Commission will provide an overview of EU support to Ukraine in the area of higher education, including the support for DigiUni project setting up an online higher education platform in UA and the MSCA4Ukraine initiative.
- 2. Kseniia Smyrnova, Vice Recor of Taras Shevchenko University of Kyiv will present the experience of implementing the DigiUni project.
- 3. Nataliya Butych, Regional Coordinator Eastern Europe, Strategic Partnership, Leibniz University Hannover (LUH) will present own experience of supporting Ukrainian universities, students and staff, including as part of the DigiUni project
- 4. Natalyia Oliynyk, Kharkiv Karazin National University Q&A and opportunity for Ukrainian universities to share their experiences.





War-Induced losses and challenges of Ukrainian Education during martial law* (since 24.02.2022)



Severe damage of the educational ecosystem:

- Human losses among students teaching and admin staff
- 3798 education institutions damaged, 365 destroyed completely
- War affected 1.5 million young Ukrainians, over 70,000 foreign student
- Many HEIs have served as shelters and humanitarian hubs
- International officers and projects teams&families under danger in occupied territories
- 34 HEIs, 65 units of HEIs and 45 VET institutions temporarily relocated
- Teaching and learning process: from shelters, frontlines and abroad (online/offline/blended formats)
- Sirens, electricity cuts, long-term blackouts and its consequences (days/nights)
- Emotional burnout among students and teaching staff
- Enrollment campaign 2024 was a big challenge for many HEIs (1.4 mln. applied)
- Brain drain







By Ukrainian artist – Oleksiy Say and founder of Mediaproject "Ukrainian Witness" – Vitaliy Dejnega









Higher Education, VET Institutions and Schools in Ukraine



- State funded 217
- Private 97
- About 1,195 mln. students in higher education
- About 115 857 HEIs academic staff in 2023
- About 33 328 foreign students
- **763 398 BA, 360 191 MA** and **46 523 PhD** students
- 34 relocated HEIs since 2022

> 12 701 (12 976 – 2022) Secondary Schools:

- **3 906 174** (4 041 976 2022) pupils
- **390 089** (401 836 2022) **teaching staff**
- Young people (14-35 years old): 10.6 mln.

Higher Education Institutions of

Ukraine: https://enic.in.ua/index.php/en/uipenc

> 978 VET institutions :

- 575 207 students
- 71 177 pedagogical staff
- 195 foreign students

> National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine:

- 160 research institutes
- 29 870 staff, incl. 15 530 researchers
- 260 cooperation agreements with HEIs
- 5 Sectoral National Academies of Sciences (Law, Medicine, Agrarian, Education, Arts)







From Tempus to Erasmus+: Trust(th)! Experts pool, quality assurance system!



- ✓ Building trust: EU to UA HEIs, among Ukrainian HEIs and long-term partnerships: mobility
 & cooperation projects activities
- ✓ International Experts Pool EU&UA for Human Capacity to implement reforms via study visits, TOT, projects activities, staff weeks, workshops, trainings, research, conferences etc.
- ✓ EU expertise: peer learning and mutual understanding of HE system and legislation
- ✓ MoESU, MoDTU, HEIs, VETIs, NQAA, NQA, ENIC/NARIC Ukraine capacity building
- ✓ HERE's open resources and events on Bologna Process and EHEA Tools implementation
- ✓ Convergence with EU: modernised curricula, 3 cycles, PhD schools, ECTS, competence-based approach, learning outcomes, QA, NQF, European Studies







From Tempus to Erasmus+: Resilience and 3rd Mission!



- ✓ Cooperation with students and employers' organisations for curricula reform
- ✓ Strong and reliable projects partners: support during martial law human, humanitarian, educational, research and soft diplomacy etc.
- ✓ Developed HEIs Capacities for Resilience: blended/distance learning, methodologies/ technologies, infrastructure, virtual labs/ resources, recognition mechanisms
- ✓ Innovative infrastructure for education
- ✓ 3rd mission of HEIs: centers of excellence for communities social and societal transfers, knowledge and technology transfers

#ErasmusGeneration - Ukraine:

Soft diplomacy – Ambassadors of Ukraine in world: truth, responsibility, justice and trust! Education, science and cultural diplomacy!







International cooperation during martial law April 2022 – September 2024: increased internationalisation



- ✓ individual support: scholarships, study/traineeship, teaching, training, research (bilateral agreements)
- ✓ projects to respond challenges of martial law: Erasmus+, Horizon Europe, other EU's, OeaD, DAAD, French Institute, GIZ, EAIE, EUA, EUF, IAU, British Council, Twinning, World Bank, USAID etc.
- ✓ structural and institutional support (HRD, capacities, equipment purchase for relocated HEIs etc.)
- ✓ € 5 million for digital ecosystem in higher education
- ✓ 2 new calls for youth and sport capacity building
- √ 40 HEIs joined European Universities Alliances
- √ 94 projects for capacity building in higher education
- ✓ 223 projects for European Studies
- √ 1000 other projects in education, youth and sport
- ✓ relocated russian budget to Ukraine

ERASMUS+ SOLIDARITY WITH UKRAINE:

- √ 200 million euros for Ukrainian <u>students and staff</u>
- ✓ €4.43 billion for projects <u>supporting Ukraine!</u>
- ✓ Over 3,000 Ukrainian teachers with access to eTwinning educational resources; 1,5M books for Ukrainian school pupils were published: school buses provided.



More opportunities opened: about 40 calls for proposals

More projects funded: education, youth and sport

More access to networks, resources and platforms:

eTwinning, EPALE, EQF, Eurydice, Euroguidance, Europass







Ukraine in Erasmus+ 2021-2024

- 8,173 international mobilities for Ukrainians' Universities staff & students
- 205 universities from Ukraine are on Erasmus+ mobility
- 999 projects for leaning mobilities for young people (13-30 years old), youth workers and active citizenship exchanges;
- 6 Virtual Exchanges projects in higher education and youth, 11 HEIs;
- 13 Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Programmes design and implementation projects at 11 HEIs;
- 138 Master Degree students scholarships provided to Ukrainians;
- 142 Cooperation Partnerships projects in education, training, youth and sport with 42 education institutions in partnerships;
- 3 projects of Alliances for Innovations with Ukrainian industries and HEIs as partners;





Ukraine in Erasmus+ 2021-2024

- 47 projects on Capacity Building in Higher Education at 103 education institutions;
- 10 projects on Capacity Building in VET;
- 3 projects on capacity building projects in sport;
- 4 projects on capacity building projects in youth;
- 256 Jean Monnet (European Studies) projects with 72 HEIs;
- Creation of Digital University in Ukraine (EUR 5M);
- 40 HEIs that have joined over 25 European Universities Alliances and working together on the challenges in higher education in Europe;
- Open courses and resources at European School Education Platform, EPALE etc.
- 13 Higher Education reform experts supported by Erasmus + Programme work side by side with the Ministry colleagues on higher education reforms.

In 2024 1480 education institutions received access to European School Education Platform functioning under Erasmus + Programme, 21 eTwinning-projects were awarded with National Quality Label, 17 – with European Quality Label; 4 schools received eTwinning School Label.

Ukrainian organisations projects are published at the link: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/en/project-database/





#ErasmusPlus opportunities: for Ukraine 2021-2027

- Over 6000 projects funded in education, youth and sports for staff, students, youth, long-term partnerships, capacity and infrastructure development
- Over 30 000 international mobilities in higher education of students and staff
- Over 34 000 youth learning mobilities
- Long term cooperation with EU and among Ukrainian Universities (250 HEIs): experts, new curricula, innovations, cooperation with business
- Erasmus students networks in Ukraine
- + Erasmus families and kids ©



We invite you to collaborate actively with Ukrainian universities under over <u>39 Erasmus+</u> opportunities!!!

- Over 39 calls are open as partner NON associated to Erasmus+ under different actions
- International mobility for HEIs and VET (physical/blended)
- Learning mobility for youth
- Virtual Exchanges
- Erasmus Mundus Joint Programmes
- Capacity Building in Higher Education, VET, youth, sport (staff/content/infrastructure)
- Jean Monnet (teaching/research/platforms)
- Cooperation Partnerships for Innovations
- European Universities and other Alliances
- Open resources and networks: European School Education Platform, eTwinning, EPALE etc.







#StandWithUkraine

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