Dear Erasmus+ projects teams 2021-2026 calls!
Cordial congratulation and warm welcome
to the Erasmus Community
on behalf of National Erasmus Office – Ukraine!
We value your care, support and solidarity with Ukraine!

Ukrainian teams are working with a strong resilience being under threats every day in Ukraine!
Working in close cooperation,
we will cope with challenges together!

I. Who we are?

National Erasmus+ Office – Ukraine (**NEO – Ukraine**) is an EU-funded project of the Institute for Leadership, Innovations and development with duration for 2022-2026.

The team has experience from 2009 and till now consists of 7 staff members working in Kyiv and 13 National Higher Education Reforms Experts (HEREs) representing 4 regions of Ukraine.

Who do we report to and cooperate with?

NEO team reports to and closely cooperates with the **European Education and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA, Brussels),** informs them about the specifics and provides support where relevant.

NEO team closely cooperates with the EU Delegation to Ukraine that is a representative of the Erasmus+ Programme in Ukraine. They promote and support the Programme during its implementation and provide specific support letters during the official registration of the projects.

NEO team closely cooperates with relevant authorities and other stakeholders, in particular, if project concerns the education and training - the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine is a key beneficiaries for the Erasmus+ Programme according to the national legislation.

If the projects are on youth and sport sector, the Ministry of Youth and Sport of Ukraine and other national/local authorities need to be contacted to become beneficiaries of the projects.

They are key contacts as for the relevance of the project activities and results implementation with the link to current reforms in education, training, youth and sport of Ukraine.

The relevant national/local authorities will provide the support letters to the projects registration and perform monitoring of the projects implementation.

Please keep them informed and invite them to the events, the Ukrainian partners can easily contact them.

NEO team cooperates and is contacted by National Erasmus+ Agencies for the local specifics and help to find partners.

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MOST IMPORTANT GUIDING TIP:

Your Erasmus+ project is governed by a grant agreement, and you must comply with it.

We remind you that each beneficiary must inform the granting authority (and the other beneficiaries) immediately of any events or circumstances likely to affect significantly or delay the implementation of the action.

What NEO – Ukraine can do to current projects beneficiaries?

Our team provides the following.

- Liaison with EU Delegation to Ukraine, National Authorities and other relevant services in Ukraine to find solutions to the mitigate risks of Erasmus+ Programme implementation during martial law. Updates on the situation during the Martial Law in Ukraine at the NEO – Ukraine webpage has been updating regularly (in English and Ukrainian languages) at the link: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/en/opportunities/erasmus-during-the-war-in-ukraine/
- Consultations and assistance on issues on Programme implementation in Ukraine according to the national legislation, specifics during martial law and with challenges are at the beneficiaries institution level where requested.
- Organise the seminars and trainings for winners, experienced and newcomers on specifics of the Erasmus+ Programme projects implementation during martial law and on how to integrate the Erasmus+ projects into the institutional strategy. Videorecordings and presentations are open for further access.
- Organise together with national authorities and project teams cluster workshops to promote widely the projects outcomes by Erasmus+ priorities and national priorities.
- Organise together with the HEREs the workshops on the key reforms of higher education, Bologna process instrument implementation.
- Provide analytics, legislation specifics and translations on different aspects on higher education reforms in Ukraine and on the Programme implementation in all fields.
- Together with HEREs participate in the working groups of the national authorities on the reforms and International development partners coordination meetings for synergy.
- Platforms for projects team's (by calls/types of actions) communication and to find solutions together and share/exchange experience via chats (WhatsApp/Viber/Telegram).
- Participate in kick-offs and other projects activities for further promotion and liaison for inter-projects cooperation upon invitation.
- Possibility to promote projects activities and results via NEO website and special page on Projects News - https://erasmusplus.org.ua/en/project-news/
- Database of projects by calls promotion for synergy and interaction with other projects teams: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/en/project-database/
- Promotion and general consultations on the obligatory registration procedures to the projects at the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.
- Open resources with tips and webpage for the Ukrainian beneficiaries with the specifics of the implementation of the projects in Ukraine during the martial law, legislation, official registration and other practical information of Ukrainian beneficiaries experience, video and other resources (in Ukrainian language): https://erasmusplus.org.ua/opportunities/mozhlyvosti-dlya-organizaczij/vykonavczyam-proyektiv-2021-2027/
- Assist, if necessary, on finding right contacts at the Ukrainian organisations, on international mobility projects communication between partners to consult on all necessary docs and procedures to mitigate challenges of martial law.
- Prepare **visa support letters** for Embassies for staff, youth (if relevant) and students (must have), if required (for Ukrainians with biometric passports visa is not required for the missions): please send details in English language via e-mail: name, surname, position, role in the project, institution, passport#, project # and title, purpose of visit, dates, a copy of invitation letter to office@erasmusplus.org.ua).

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- Verify with the relevant authorities and open databases if the Ukrainian organisation is operational and recognized by the national authorities of Ukraine during martial law upon requests.
- National Erasmus+ Office – Team Contacts of Managers by Actions at: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/en/about-us/project-team/

Please be informed that NEO staff observes the principles set out in Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725 on the protection of individuals regarding the processing of personal data as well as regulated by the national legislation of Ukraine.

Our team is looking forward and always happy to welcoming you in our office when you are in Kyiv!

II. What important issues to be taken into consideration during martial law in Ukraine in 2022-2026?

Safety issues!

There is Russian-Ukrainian war since 2014 with full scale invasion of Russia to Ukraine since 24 February 2022, therefore there is no safe place all over Ukraine. Noth, East and South regions of Ukraine at the border with Russia and temporary occupied areas are closer to the front line.

The overall challenges are: unsafety – escalation and constant attacks, staff/students and others losses (killed, deported, volunteering, in army services, changed jobs, internally relocated, fled abroad) sometimes the access to the mailboxes is lost completely, lack of electricity (long blackouts), limited access to means of communication (Internet/tel.), heating, limited access to water, unsafe travelling inside country, limits and delays at the border crossing, other war consequences.

However, **education institutions** and other organisations stay **resilient and operationa**l, increased their 3rd mission and continue International cooperation and proactively participate in Erasmus+!

They apply different formats of work/study – offline, online, hybrid or blended depending on location, safety situation and availability of shelters etc. Part of the staff/students is in Ukraine and part is abroad!

Some territories, cities are **temporary occupied** (situation is changing from time to time)!

In Donetsk Region (Mariupol, Donetsk, Bahmut etc.), Kherson Region (some villages/towns), Luhansk Region (Luhansk, Sieverodonetsk and some other villages/towns), Zhaporizhzhya Region (Berdyansk, Melitopol and some other villages/towns), Sumy (some villages) and the Crimea.

Part of territories of Donetsk region (Sloviyansk, Kramatorsk), Kherson, Lugansk, Mykolayv, Zhaporizhzhya, Zhytomyr, Sumy, Chernigiv, Kharkiv and Dnipro Regions are close to the active frontlines or under constant attacks. Detailed map on the hostilities is updating at https://twitter.com/DefenceHQ

Since 2026 the escalation of attacks is observed of the attacks on Kyiv and West Regions of Ukraine.

Majority of **educational institutions** from the temporary occupied territories were **relocated to the territories controlled by the National Authorities of Ukraine!**

Only those organisations recognized by the national authorities are eligible to continue cooperation in Erasmus+ projects. Staff and students who are enrolled into the universities recognized by the National Authorities of Ukraine are eligible to benefit from Erasmus+ opportunities.

In majority of cases the **legal address** of relocated universities/other institutions remained original (in temporary occupied territories) however the **location/real office address** is always the one at the relocated place – **territory that is under control** of the National Authorities of Ukraine. It is reflected in their Statut of educational institution and/or regulated by the Order of the national authorities. For school and VET institutions, in some cases, there was no relocation but the change of mode into distance/online format stated in the Orders of the local or regional authorities of Ukraine.

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It was done in such a way with the purpose and hope that they all will be returned to their official places after the victory!

Students and staff of education institutions and other organisations stayed working/study or teleworking in Ukraine, others were relocated within Ukraine or abroad **depending on the situation**.

Some students and staff at the military army, volunteering, some had to stay in the temporary occupied territories or were forced to be deported to Russia, however some of them continue their study and work at/for the relocated institutions online and being under constant threat.

Moreover, there is a turnover/brain drain of students and staff, emotional/phycological burnouts and the human resources are limited. There are many newcomers to the job, especially responsible for international cooperation who needs recovery and trainings on Erasmus+ specifics.

For the majority of secondary schools and VET the experience of Erasmus+ projects is their 1st steps in international cooperation, totally newcomers.

Specifics on participation in Learning Mobility (KA1) and in cooperation projects (KA2) activities abroad:

Certain categories of staff and students (males of 18-60 years old and females of specific specialties: military, medicine others) have limited possibility to cross borders for mobility activities abroad during martial law. Please bare in mind when plan events abroad and foresee back up option in hybrid format.

For education institutions (including HEIs)/state institutions certain categories of **staff** participating in the Erasmus+ international mobility, EVE, CBHE, CBVET, KA220 and other actions projects activities requires the specific procedure to be performed:

- The Ukrainian education institution/state institutions must apply to the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (or other authorities they are responsible to) with the request letter to be provided to the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine to allow to cross the border to participate in the Erasmus+ projects activities/mobilities;
- to follow up with State Boarder Guad Service of Ukraine their decision;
- if positive: to file the package of the documents and organise mission;
- if there were no reply, take all documents and try at the State Border Guard Services.

However, the final decision in both cases is taken only by the State Boarder Guard Services!

That is why, it is extremely important to inform immediately and keep informed the host institutions/ organisers about the situation. And if the tickets are purchased beforehand to apply the option of the refundable cases if not positive decision of the State Boarder Guard Services.

!!! Specific package of documents (including: invitations/nominations/agreements etc. and local military service centers documents) must be provided to the MoESU well beforehand the mobility but not later than 2 weeks before it. Each university/state organization have received the guides from the MoESU or their respective authority. The constant communication between home and host institutions/organisers is CRITICAL!!!

For male **students** between 18-60 age, there are solutions for specific types of students.

Young people 18-22 are allowed to cross the border if they present the relevant documents to the State Border Guide Service of Ukraine. The required document is from the Military Services Centers (if relevant). Additionally, the specifics, documents and procedures might help, they are described in 2 languages at: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/en/news/specifics-for-international-credit-mobility-for-1-semester-for-male-bachelor-students-under-erasmus-new-regulations-cmu-366-as-of-2-04-2024/

For other types of people/institutions applying for Erasmus+ mobility or other action projects which are not included into the described cases above, are recommended to consult the MoESU or other relevant authorities their organization is responsible to or to the State Border Service of Ukraine!

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Erasmus Mundus male scholars have limitation to cross the border if they are older than 22 years old. The selection committee must take it into consideration and verify if the candidate is in Ukraine or abroad already. No exclusions may apply to study abroad at BA and MSc. programmes students over 22 year old, unfortunately.

For **other male individuals/ male staff** (18-60 years old) of other types of organisations, like NGOs, business, private organisations working in education, training, youth and sport, if there are not in the specific categories specified by law, there is a limitation for crossing the border!

For the specific cases, they must consult the hotline of the State Border Guard Service of Ukraine at https://dpsu.gov.ua/ua/sluzhba-dovira

Specifics of Mobility and activities to/in Ukraine!

There is no safe area in Ukraine during Martial law, however the educational institutions/ hotels and state institutions/ event providers have been adopted to the situation and provide premises with shelters.

The international organisations have been performing events in Ukraine with the special attention to the safety measures.

The events have been organised in Western part of Ukraine (Uzhhorod, Ternopil, Lviv, Chernivtsi and others), Kyiv and other cities, with support of Embassies, Ministries, Municipalities and others.

However, such events are limited as majority of institutions and embassy forbit their staff and students to travel to country in war, moreover it is extremely challenging to purchase the relevant insurance under such circumstances.

The key challenge after safety is health insurance for foreigners coming to country with the martial law.

After escalation in 2026, it has become challenging to travel by trains within Ukraine. During the travel, if the siren started, the train must stop and passengers much leave the train and wait until the end of attack. It might happen in the middle of nowhere and several times. Thus delays travel time to border in addition to the long waiting time to cross the borders require coordination with the host organisation, coordinators and POs and plan and cover longer period of the travels. Bus/car is an alternative but takes more time and energy, sometimes with higher cost required or additional stay in hotel in between bus and flights after border controls to ensue that the are not be late.

Visa issues:

Due to safety situation some embassies, consulates, visa centers were relocated abroad and students must travel 2 times to apply for visa and to receive passport with visa.

The post office delivery is possible is not safe option any more, due to the attacks on post offices hubs. In case of destroyed hub with the documents, the applicant needs to apply and receive a new passport first and than reapply to visa again under similar procedure. The best solution is e-visa cases, if possible.

If a student is crossing the border for ICM/EMJM without visa or staff according to the biometric passport, please make sure beforehand that the eligible number of days remained to stay abroad is relevant to the number of days for mobility planned (it refers to participation on other type of project events/activities).

It must be check before the funds are transferred to the ICM/EMJM student or staff.

The support of home and host institutions is extremely important during visa procedure or communication with foreign services on the issues of stay. Sometimes temporary protection status is not possible or not accepted by the students, please bare it I mind.

Please learn about the **overview on the situation in Ukraine during martial law** at the special page here.

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Banking system is operational in the territories under control of the national authorities of Ukraine where Ukrainian universities were relocated. They will be reopened at previous addresses later when the territories is freed back to the control of National Authorities of Ukraine.

Erasmus+ is an institutional cooperation and only official accounts of the HEIs/other organisations beneficiaries must be used for any transactions under the projects implementation, no individual accounts.

In case of ICM, where funds are received by the individuals on their personal bank accounts, they are required by the local state tax services to pay taxes of 20% out of the total amount received.

Due to **Martial law and consequences**, in some cases, there is a problem (**blocks or delays**) with the **transfer of funds** from EU University's/ other type organisation (as a Coordinator) foreign **bank** to Ukrainian Universities/other organisations banks, especially if they are based close to the frontlines e.g. Kherson, Zaporizhzhya, Kharkiv, Chernihiv, others and to the **relocated universities/other types of organisations** from Donetsk, Luhansk and Zaporizhzhya Regions.

Under such circumstances, it is necessary without any delay that the Ukrainian partner university/or other organisation (under such case) contacts their Ukrainian bank and **request official letter** certifying that the bank is working at the territory under control of the National Authorities of Ukraine.

Such certificate should be **endorsed by the letter from the Ukrainian University Rector (or relevant legal person of other type of organisation under the case)** certifying the situation and for relocated universities/other type of organisation, if legal address is different from real placement after relocation, to explain that fact attaching the Order of the National Authorities about the relocation or the updated Statut of the University/organisation (with unofficial translation).

One more challenge with the bank might be due to the internal system specifics of the **number of signs** in the fields of the beneficiary institution/organisation. It might make the automatic cut in the title of organisation. The Ukrainian bank may block the allocation of the fund to the project beneficiary account if account holder name is cut.

Other problem was a block from the intermediary bank due to one or the other of the above issues. It is recommended that the coordinating organisation contact its bank to discuss such issue to mitigate them.

Similar cases mentioned above might occur during the transfers funds from EACEA to Ukrainian organisations coordinators.

III. What are the obligatory procedures to be implemented in Ukraine?

Official registration of the Erasmus+ Projects at the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine is **obligatory** according to the Ukrainian legislation (since 90th) and it becomes **critical during martial law to apply specific regulations to mitigate several risks**!

It also is a prerequisite for the smooth implementation during martial law, including priority of payments of project invoices (travel, salary, equipment etc.) by the State Treasury Services within Ukraine and transfers to International partners in currency! Otherwise there will have consequences and will cause delays or blockage of the payments at the institutional level as further explained below!!!

Registration will provide the official recognition of the project in Ukraine and as an International Technical Assistance of EU to Ukraine and apply for several important specifics helping **effective implementation during martial law**: the priority payments in the State Treasury Services of Ukraine, possibility for currency

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transfers to EU partners and within Ukraine for UA partners universities accounts, 20% VAT exempt of goods and services, custom taxes and income taxes for non state organisations (20%) exempt and other.

If there are **delays of payments** of project related invoices within universities by the State Treasury or banks, upon request **NEO Ukraine** can provide letter about the priorities of payments under Erasmus+ project. Please inform the Ukrainian partners to send to NEO the e-letter with details on the delay, including name of the project, date when the invoice was submitted to State Treasury Service of Ukraine or any other relevant information. NEO will provide the specific letters to the State Treasuries with explanations.

All accounting documents communicated to the State Treasury Services of Ukraine or other relevant Services should include the statement that the funds are covered by the International Technical Assistance of EU to Ukraine project officially registered by the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and regulated by the International Inter-Governmental Agreement (ratified by Verkhovna Rada as a Law). Registration card and Procurement plan copies should be enclosed.

It is important that the Ukrainian universities inform and constantly update the coordinating university about the situation at their universities, cities and with their banks.

Please double check the procedures and necessary docs for registration to be signed as soon as possible!

Especially, it is extremely important in case of Ukrainian University acting as a grantholder.

They will be able to transfer funds to the EU and other countries institutions in currency based on the grant agreement or/and partnership agreement only when the project is registered and partnership agreements are signed!

However, there were some cases when the transfers were done before registration based on the guarantee letter from the Coordinating university/other type of organisation with request to transfer and guarantee that the documents will be provided at the earliest stage. It is only the matter of negotiation with the banks.

Official registration procedures and other details:

KA1 – Erasmus Virtual Exchanges projects, Jean Monnet and all KA2 Actions projects **MUST be** officially registered at the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (National legislation - Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Regulation #153).
The registration must be done by the Ukrainian projects partners/ coordinator:

- *to be visible and recognized as an international cooperation project at the governmental levels;*
- *to inform and receive support from key beneficiary – Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine or other relevant authorities responsible for education, youth ad sport in Ukraine;*
- ***to apply Martial law challenges and specifics:***
- to apply the International Agreement between the EU and Ukraine officially ratified by the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine as a Law and to use the relevant articles at all legislation regulations (e.g. budget code, tax code, custom regulations, national bank, public purchase law and others): the rules of the Programme and Projects;
- to apply the priority payments via State Treasury Services under each budget category and to transfer currency between Ukrainian partners and from abroad during the martial law;
- to be able to exempt the project funds from income tax (20%);
- to receive permission to exempt the project goods (equipment etc.) and services of VAT (20%);
- to be exempt from custom fees and duty for the goods (equipment etc.) and services;
- to use procedure and rules for tenders during martial law, specified by the Programmes, projects requirements of international development partner of Ukraine.

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Obligatory registration process does not prevent usage of funds by the Ukrainian organisations to pay for visits related expenditures and registration should be performed in parallel at the earliest stage. However, due to the martial law, State Treasury has the right to delay all payments for unregistered projects.

Composition of the registration package (according to the Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on the establishment of the system of attraction, use and monitoring of international technical aid, #153 as of 15/02/2002) – was adopted to Erasmus+ projects specifics:

1. Letters of requests to the Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, signed by the legal representative of the Ukrainian organisation. Letters of request should contain names of ALL partners from Ukraine (both academic and non-academic) - template of the letter is available.

2. Copy of the Grant agreement, certified (signed and stamped) by the coordinator of the project (or e-copy) and Ukrainian translation (translation sample is available).

2.1. Copy of the Description of the Action with translation into Ukrainian language.

3. Only in cases if the Grant Agreement is not signed by all beneficiaries (e.g.KA220), the copy of the partnership agreements (or memorandums of cooperation) signed between the coordinator and Ukrainian partner (translation is available) is required. These documents should contain name of the project, its objectives, terms of implementation, tasks assigned to every Ukrainian partner, obligations of the coordinator and partners, decision making, communication, expected results, qualitative and quantitative criteria of quality assurance, list of equipment and services needed for project implementation, procedures of the purchase, expected impact of the project in Ukraine.

3. Otherwise Grant Agreement signed by all partners is enough.

4. Letter of support from the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine/Ministry of Youth and Sport of Ukraine or other relevant authority where the project outcomes could contribute to the reforms.

5. 2 originals of Procurement Plan (according to the special form), signed by the Project Coordinator organisatrion authorized person (stamped, if available) and endorsed (signed and stamped) by the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (or other relevant authority), but only in case if the Ministry is a partner in the project (sample in English and Ukrainian languages is available).

6. Letter of request to register the project from the EU Delegation of Ukraine (as a representation of EU)

Details and all above forms, translations and templates on registration are available and described at: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/opportunities/mozhlyvosti-dlya-organizaczij/vykonavczyam-proyektiv-2021-2027/

The procedure includes the preparation of the documents and usually the Ukrainian national coordinator or a partner located in Kyiv or with experience are appointed internally to prepare and submit the documents.

The registration lasts **10 days** from the day of the submission of the full package of the documents to the SCMU. During martial law, there are some delays, the longest one so far was up to 2 months.

NEO role is limited to inform the beneficiaries on the procedure to be followed and, where appropriate, to provide guidance or advice, however NEO will not be collecting/ working with any documents of the projects as grant agreement, procurement plan, partnership agreement. To make the procedure smoothly, NEO prepared practical information with all templates.

Detailed information, procedures and templates in Ukrainian language are available at: https://erasmusplus.org.ua/opportunities/mozhlyvosti-dlya-organizaczij/vykonavczyam-proyektiv-2021-2027/

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If after reading information on the procedures, the project team still has questions, please send email to the o*fficial NEO address with concrete questions but please do not attach any documents (NEO does not review) at: office@erasmusplus.org.ua*

If no question, the documents packages should be submitted directly to the EU Delegation in eformat and to Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine in paper version.

It is also important to highlight that all Ukrainian project teams should submit a Monitoring report card on project implementation to the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine (or other national authorities mentioned as beneficiary in the project registration card)*: half a year and year reports as well as final report after the end of the project.*

According to the Regulation #153, the Ministry as a key beneficiary of international technical assistance of Ukraine from EU has the right to send the auditors/monitoring missions or initiate the closure of the projects applying to the European Commission with the specific letter on the projects which are not registered officially in Ukraine or do not submit reports which violates the national legislation.

Equipment (university account): Due to the martial law in Ukraine, there are might be delays of the payments, deliveries, unsafe storage, higher price than planned, destroyed by bombs during delivery or after etc. Please discuss safety measures and procedures in case of damage by martial law consequences.

According to the national legislation (Law on Public Procurement) if the project is officially registered, the rules of granting authorities, if any, could be used for tendering procedures ensuring equal access to all providers. The equipment could be purchased by the coordinating university, or by each Ukrainian universities.

Please pay attention to the fact the national legislation regulations should be applied.

During martial law, there are certain challenges for the equipment purchase: e.g. during the tendering procedure none or 1 supplier will submit the proposal, the selected supplier could refuse to sign agreement, thus the process must start again. There are delays on delivery due to safety and lack on stock of the equipment etc.

If they are purchased by the Ukrainian state-funded university or universities, the Prozorro Marketplace must be used according to the national legislation of Ukraine. Direct contracts are allowed before ceiling purchase however the transparency and equal access to equipment providers should be ensured (announcements at websites, specific procedures of selection etc.).

If private university in the partnership provides purchase, transparent and equal treatment internal procedures of this university should be ensured in line with Ukrainian legislation.

If it is purchased by the EU coordinator, relevant country legislation applied and if eligible, three Party Agreement: payer/equipment provider/ university can be to be considered. Payment could be done to provider in Ukraine or in other country.

Before equipment purchase – registration is obligatory for VAT and other fees exempt and for priority of payments. In case of equipment import the procedure includes necessity to uncustom equipment which require special documents preparation and fees (before equipment purchase – registration is obligatory for custom fee exempt) – presentation in English language is available. Request your partner to check the university rules for equipment purchase and tendering (verify provider banks reliability).

Constant communication with and between partners of the projects is CRITICAL!!!

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Inform Ukrainian partners about the obligatory constant communication with Coordinator about any potential risks, potential changes/ deviation, challenges or consequences of martial law or institutional changes. Some of them are newcomers without any experience and during martial law there might be a staff turnover, the emails are not accessible, or access to EU Portals organisation profiles/ projects lost etc.

As **Project Coordinator** please **inform immediately EACEA/NA Project officer** about specifics of the situation caused by martial law or other project implementation related issues **as EACEA/NA Project Officer is a primary contact person** to Coordinators!

Any delays on mobility and other issues must be communicated to the home and host institutions not only with students.

All details on project management and monitoring are described in Grant Agreement and presented in details during events organised for winners at the Grant Holders meetings.

Ukrainian Legislation

Ukrainian partners are highly recommended to read Specifics of Ukrainian legislation and other recommendations on the projects implementation in Ukraine (PAMYATKA - in Ukrainian language – constantly updated) with all other Laws and regulations with details and explanation as for national legislation rules at:

- International Inter-Governmental Agreement (ratified by Verkhovna Rada as a Law - http://zakon4.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/994_763) in 2008.
- Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Regulation#153 in English language (unofficial translation)
- Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Regulation on the Right of the Mobility dated on 12.08.2015 № 579 – updated in 2022
- Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Regulation on priorities of payments under the International Technical Assistance Projects during martial law **at the link**
- Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Regulation on the Currency transfers abroad within the International Technical Assistance Projects during martial law **– at the link**
- Simplified tendering procedure for equipment purchase – explanation
- Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine Regulation dated on September 2, 2015 p. № 719 – on university funds location at the state banks accounts http://zakon0.rada.gov.ua/laws/show/719-2015-%D0%BF
- Specifics of the border crossing for the students for 1 semester international mobility for exchange as of April 2024 – at the link, however, **in 2025 the deviation was made that concerns the permission for young people of age up to 22 years old inclusive to cross the border after consideration of the State Border Guade Service (it was described above).**

IV. Transformation of Ukrainian Universities/other education institutions.

Ukrainian education institutions network is under transformation and several HEIs have been underwent the merger or split which might lead to the changes of the title of institution or establishment of the new entity. The liquidation of the institution under transformation could last 2-3 years. At the same time staff could be employed already by the "new" institution. Moreover, the payments under the project activities will be blocked because it is not included into the Grant Agreement and partnership Agreement.

That is why the initiation of the Amendments to Grant Agreement and Partnership Agreement must be started as soon as possible. The procedures are described at the Grant Agreement, however, before any actions, please urgently consult your Project Officer about the procedures and possible solutions.

The processes of transformation of the educational institutions haven't finished yet and there is no complete official list of such institutions yet.

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V. Official Resources of EU portals for beneficiaries:

- ✓ Managing your grant
- ✓ Funding Tenders Opportunities
- ✓ Continuous reporting on Milestones & Deliverable – Online Manual
- ✓ Communication with the Granting Authority
- ✓ Amendments – Online Manual
- ✓ Annotated Model Grant Agreement (Eng) – AGA.
- ✓ Annotated Grant Agreement – translation into Ukrainian language Анотована типова грантова угода
- ✓ Unofficial translation of Grant Agreement 2021-2027 (Ukrainian language).
- ✓ Guidelines for Beneficiaries: https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/how-to-participate/reference-documents;programCode=ERASMUS2027
- ✓ Elearning videos - link

Other useful information

- Details on the Education System of Ukraine: https://eurydice.eacea.ec.europa.eu/eurypedia/ukraine/national-reforms-related-adult-education-and-training
- National Agency for Higher Education Quality Assurance: https://en.naqa.gov.ua
- National Agency of Qualifications: https://nqa.gov.ua/
- National Research Fund nrfu.org.ua
- Database of the universities and for International Students: https://studyinukraine.gov.ua/en/
- Impact of war on youth in Ukraine 2024 – link
- Situation with relocated universities of Ukraine - https://pzvo.edupolicy.org.ua/about-the-project/

Some examples of useful analytics by Higher Education Reform Experts in cooperation with Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine:

- Analytics – Огляд участі України в Програмі ЄС Еразмус+ за 2021-2026 рр./ Overview of Participation of Ukraine in Erasmus+ 2021-2025 in English and Ukrainian languages – updated in March 2026
- Short Overview of Ukraine in Erasmus+ 2021-2026 in English language
- REGARDING THE SITUATION IN UKRAINE, CHALLENGES, NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION
- Matrix of the CBHE Projects and Reforms they cover/ Матриця проєктів з Розвитку потенціалу у вищій освіті (СВНЕ) Програми МТД ЄС Еразмус+, пріоритетів та національних стратегій/ планів у вищій освіті в Україні 2025
- «Recent Developments in Ukraine's Higher Education 2014-2025»
- Description of the status and impact of CBHE projects in Ukraine / Опис стану та впливу Програми ЄС Еразмус+ (проєкти СВНЕ) за регіонами/містами України та ЗВО станому на 2025 р.
- Translation of Tirana Conference docs
- English version of Review of the Education Policy in the context of EHEA documents and Bologna Principles 2024

All you should know about recognition:

- Unified State Database on Education, includes diplomas verification: https://info.edbo.gov.ua/
- The ENIC-NARIC center of Ukraine that deals with these issues of recognition of the prior education and apostil among other things (Main (enic.in.ua).
- Global ENIC-NARIC network has a page devoted to Ukraine is a helpful resource: https://www.enic-naric.net/page-ukraine-2022
- Recorded webinar training on the recognition issues, including the work with the Unified State Database on Education (collected key resources and guides) : http://cimea.it/ucraina/index_EN.html
- EU publication on the fast track recognition: Guidelines on fast-track recognition of Ukrainian academic qualifications | European Education Area (europa.eu)
- Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine: emergency portal Education System in Ukraine - Ukrainian education in emergency (mon.gov.ua)
- Academic Hub for Recognition: https://academicrecognition.eu/

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- MESU Strategic Activity Plan by 2027
- Comparison report on EQF and Ukrainian NQF: https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=1584&furtherNews=yes&newsId=10513
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- EU Enlargement report on Ukraine: https://enlargement.ec.europa.eu/ukraine-report-2025_en

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Other EEA, EHEA and Erasmus+ resources and platforms:

- European Education Area – at the link
- European Higher Education Area – at the link
- University Autonomy – at the link
- European Universities Hub Platform
- European Universities Association – at the link
- Bologna Hub Peer Support – at the link
- European Education Digital Hub – at the link
- ETF Resources Hub – at the link
- Inclusive and Green Erasmus – at the link
- School&VET https://school-education.ec.europa.eu/en
- Adult Education – EPALE https://epale.ec.europa.eu/en
- EU LifeLong Learning Platform
- European Universities Hub Platform
- European Digital Education Hub Platform
- Salto Education & Training Center
- European Youth Platform
- Salto-Youth Center
- OnlineLinguisticSupport
- EU Academy – link
- EQF
- Euroguidance
- Europass
- Eurydice
- YOUTHPASS
- OTLAS
- For researches MSCA4Ukraine: new opportunities ERA4Ukraine – link.
- Horizon Europe: MSC Actions for Researchers at risks: https://marie-sklodowska-curie-actions.ec.europa.eu/news/eu-stands-with-ukraine-and-ukrainian-researchers
- The website on the support to Ukraine - Science4Ukraine
- Salto-Youth Calendar of Events and useful resources and activities
- Opportunities for Ukrainian Youth - https://www.facebook.com/EPlus.Ukraine

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