**Expression of Interest for Partner Countries**

**Contact building seminar in Tirana, Albania, 10 October 2025**

Deadline for application: 30 June 2025

**Important notice to applicants:**

Each Higher Education Institution (HEI) may submit one Expression of Interest (EoI). Please ensure internal coordination within your institution to identify the most suitable academic field(s) and individual(s) to represent your strategic interests in international collaboration.

This form serves two purposes:

* Matchmaking – to facilitate bilateral meetings during the onsite seminar in Tirana (10 October 2025).
* Institutional Profile Sheet – to share key information with other participants and foster future collaboration.

Please submit your form by 30 June 2025 (end of business) to:[**jenny.nygard@aca-secretariat.be**](mailto:jenny.nygard@aca-secretariat.be). Late submissions will not be considered. For any questions about the Expression of Interest form or other inquiries, please contact [**jenny.nygard@aca-secretariat.be**](mailto:jenny.nygard@aca-secretariat.be).

**Who is this event for?**

Participation is **strongly recommended for** academic or teaching staff with a clear mandate from their institutions to explore international partnerships, particularly those with:

* An interest or experience in Erasmus+ actions, such as **International Credit Mobility (ICM)**, **Erasmus Mundus (EM)**, or **Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE)**.
* Responsibilities related to student/staff mobility, or strategic partnerships.

Participants should be able to engage in **strategic discussions**, represent **institutional collaboration priorities**, and **build follow-up links** beyond the seminar.

**Data sharing preferences**

Please indicate how your information may be shared:

☐ I consent to share all details (recommended – allows other participants to contact you directly through or outside the platform, before and after the event)

☐ I consent to share all details, *except for name, position, and email address* (your institution’s interests will be visible, but other participants won’t be able to contact you directly/outside the platform, unless you share your details yourself)

### **Participation options**

### Please select all that apply: ☐ We would like to join the **online** contact seminar ☐ We would like to join the **on-site** seminar in Tirana ☐ We need an **official invitation letter** to support a visa application

**Note:** Due to limited space, not all institutions can attend in person. Selection will aim for a balanced representation across countries and profiles. Onsite participants will receive sponsorship covering travel and accommodation expenses. Further details will be shared with those selected.

**Onsite participants will receive matchmaking support based on common interests and priorities outlined in the fields below** . Online participants can use the platform and respective profiles to independently connect with others.

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| 1. **Motivation for Participation** (max. 150 words) *Briefly explain your institution’s main goals for attending this seminar (e.g., initiating new partnerships, joint degrees, curriculum cooperation, staff/student mobility, project funding)* |
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| 1. **General information of the participant/institution**   *Please note: Each institution may nominate up to two representatives in this form. Only one participant will be selected for onsite attendance. Both may join virtually, if selected for online participation. Please ensure that your nominees are aware of this and that their profiles align with your institution’s internationalisation objectives.* | |
| **Name institution** |  |
| **Name of Participant 1 (as in passport)** |  |
| **Nationality** |  |
| **Faculty/ Department** |  |
| **Position** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Name of Participant 2 (as in passport)** |  |
| **Nationality** |  |
| **Faculty/ Department** |  |
| **Position** |  |

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| 1. **Institutional Profile** (max. 300 words per field) | | |
| **Internationalisation strategy and Erasmus+ focus**  *Indicate specific goals related to* ***student/staff mobility, joint degrees, capacity building, curriculum development,*** *or* ***strategic partnerships.*** |  |
| **Key faculties/fields for international cooperation**  *List the main academic areas or departments, with a focus on those most relevant to international collaboration and Erasmus+ actions.* |  |
| **Relevant prior Erasmus+ experience – if any (ICM, CBHE, EMJM, EMDM[[1]](#footnote-1))**  *Include:*   * *Your role(s) in projects (e.g. partner, coordinator)* * *Main focus areas or academic fields* * *Scope of cooperation (e.g. mobility volumes)* * *Programme Countries and institutions you have collaborated with.* |  |

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| 1. **Interest in Erasmus+ Cooperation**   *Please select only those options you are interested in.* |
| **a) Areas of Cooperation (tick all that apply):**  **International Credit Mobility (ICM)**  Student mobility for Studies  Student mobility for Traineeships. If yes, please specify the applicable criteria below:   * .... * ....   Staff mobility for Teaching  Staff mobility for Training  **Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE)**  ☐ Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE) – Institutional reform, modernisation, innovation  **Erasmus Mundus**  ☐ Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters (EMJM) – Joint or multiple degree programmes  ☐ Erasmus Mundus Design Measures (EMDM) – Preparation and support to develop joint degree consortia  **b) Brief explanation of selections (max. 150 words)** |

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| 1. **Matchmaking Preferences** |
| **a) Countries of Interest**  All Programme Countries  Or indicate your institutions’ specific countries of interest: • ... • ...  **b) Academic Fields of Interest**  *(Be as specific as possible e.g., Environmental Engineering, European Studies)*  • ...  • ...  **c) Preferred Partner Criteria**  *(List 2–3 priorities, such as complementary academic programmes, geographic focus or regional priorities, institutional size or type, shared strategic goals or values)*  • ... • ... |

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| 1. **Optional: Courses offered in English**  *Note: This section is optional and will not be reviewed by event organisers. It is intended as a resource for your institutional profile and bilateral discussions during the seminar.* | | |
| **Link to the course catalogue (if available):** |  | |
| **Course name** | **Part of which study programme** | **Number of ECTS credits** |
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1. *International Credit Mobility; Capacity Building in Higher Education; Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters; Erasmus Mundus Design Measures.* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)