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International credit mobility in the Erasmus+ programme 2021-2027

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Enriching lives, opening minds

2021-2027

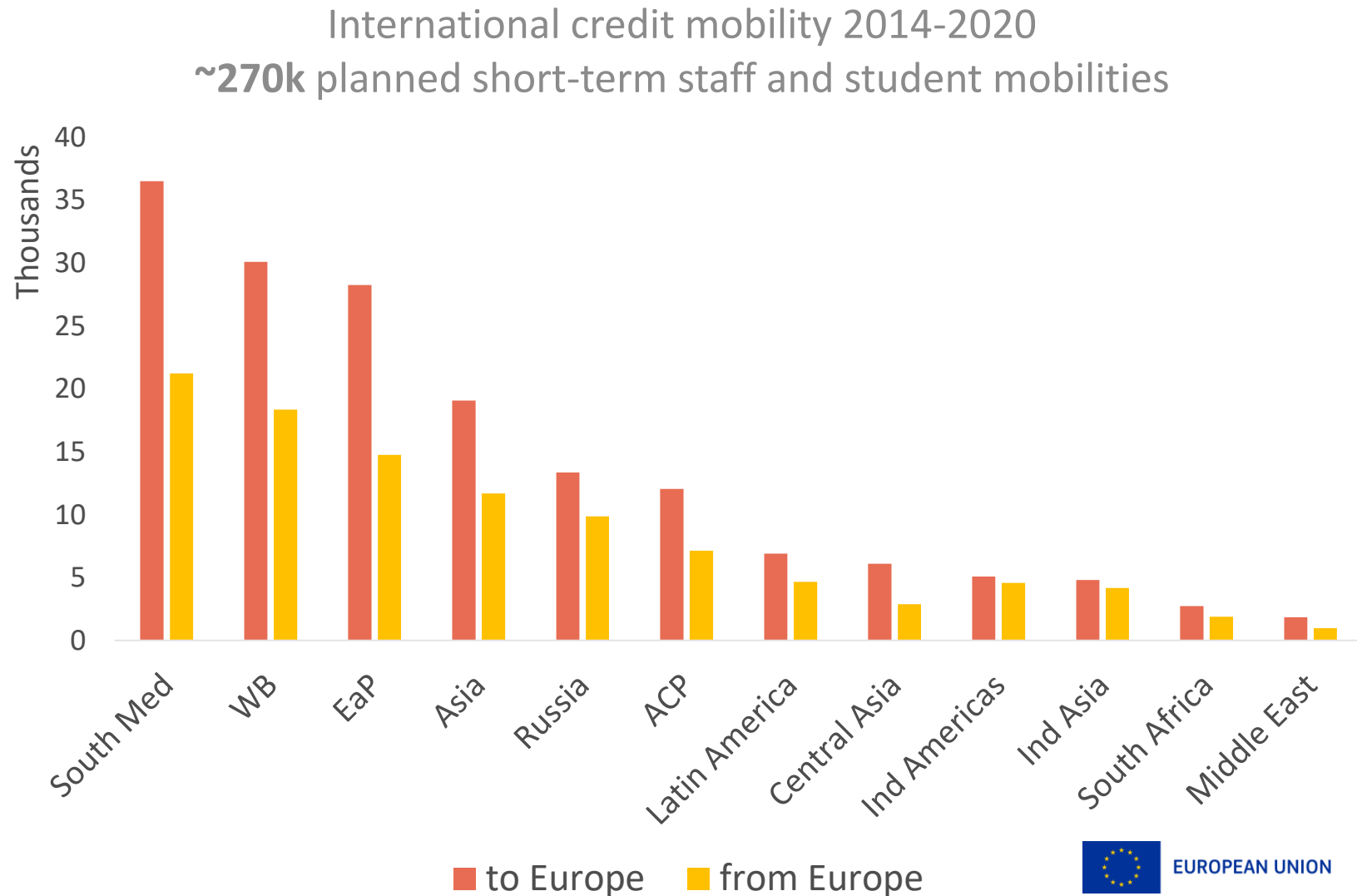


What is ICM?

- Launched in the 2014-2020 programme to fund short-term mobility of students and staff between Programme and Partner countries
- Manifold benefits for individuals and institutions:
 - Key skills & competences, professional development, enhanced employability, teaching methods, etc.
 - Increased capacities, attractiveness & internationalisation; improved quality of higher education

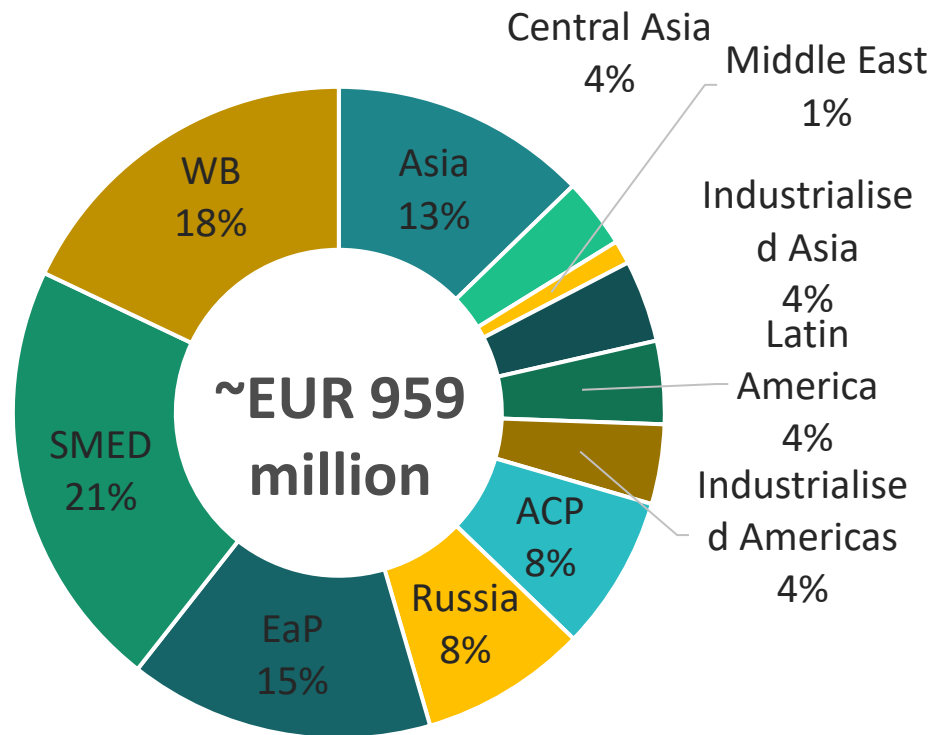
How does it work?

- **Decentralised action**
managed by the Erasmus+ National Agencies based in the programme countries
- **Global action:** the world is divided into regions, which have different budgets allocated per year

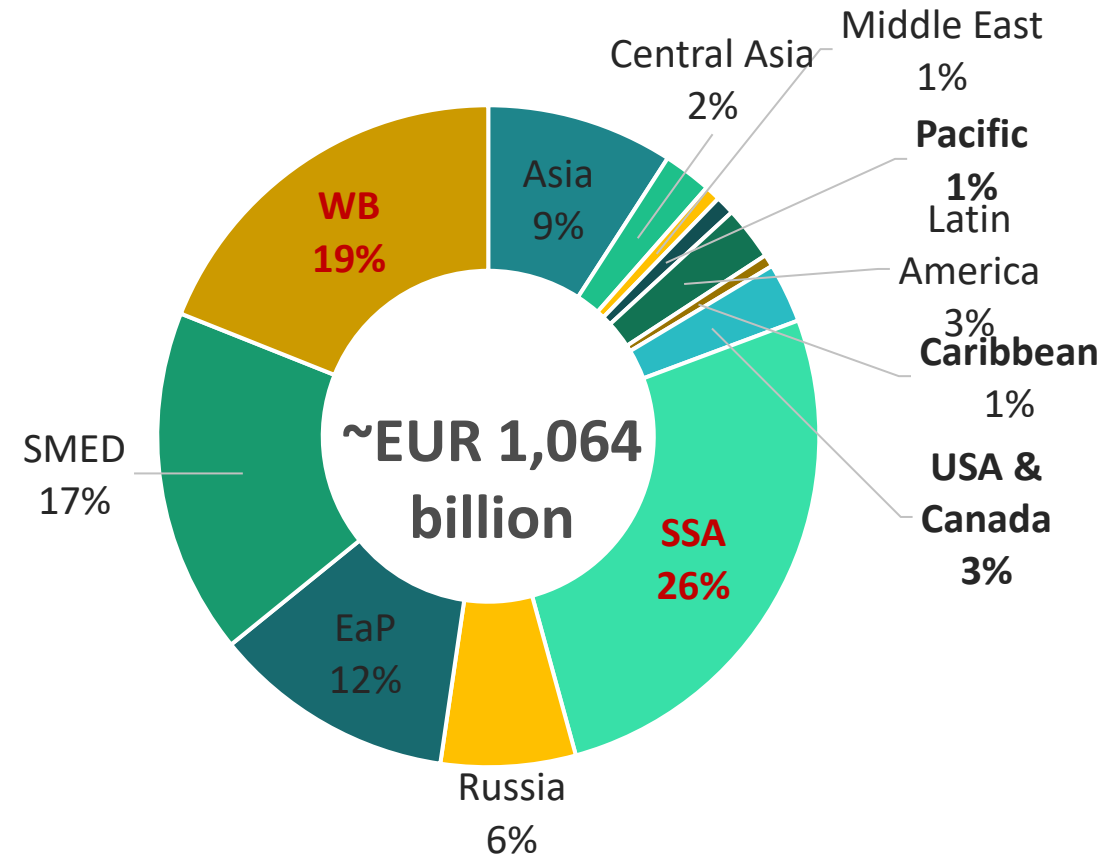


ICM budget

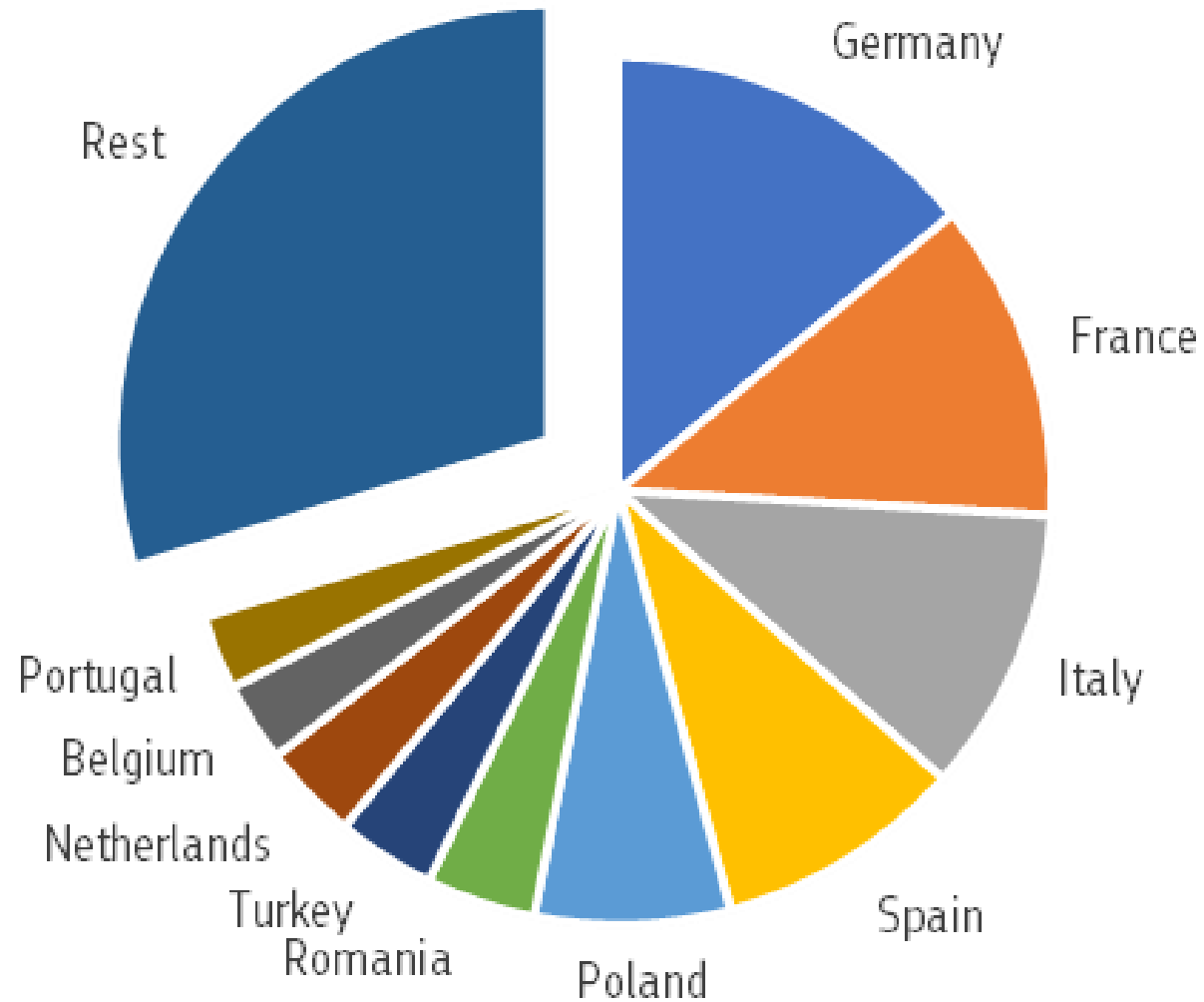
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ICM budget per National Agency 2024



Activities supported (I)

- Short-term higher education mobility for students, academic and administrative staff
- All levels: Bachelor, Master and PhD candidates
- Mobility in any subject or academic discipline
- Also supports traineeships for students and training for staff
- Study periods and traineeships of 2 – 12 months
- Blended mobility (physical mobility of 5 – 30 days + virtual component)

Activities supported (II)

- All partners in an ICM project can **send and host students and staff** as described in their submitted project and provided that a relevant grant has been secured.
- For certain countries, Bachelor/Master student mobility is only possible from third countries to Europe – this means third country universities **can send but not host**.
- Countries with this restriction can be found in this list (Region 1 – Western Balkans is exempted from restriction): <https://www.oecd.org/dac/financing-sustainable-development/development-finance-standards/daclist.htm>
- European partners may use a part of their **intra-European mobility budget** to fund their students mobility to restricted countries under ICM.



Organisational support

EUR 500/participant



Individual support

EUR 700-900/month for students and

EUR 148-190/day for staff

EUR 79/day up to the 14th day of activity and
EUR 56/day from 15th to the 30th day of
activity in case of blended mobility

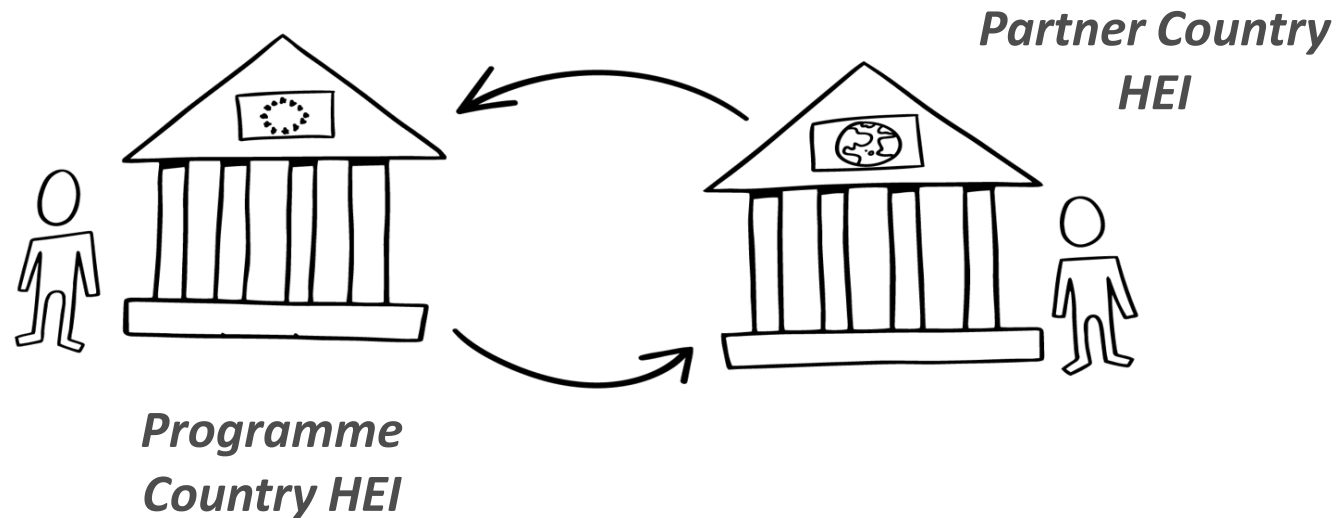


Contribution to travel costs

EUR 20-1735, depending on distance
travelled

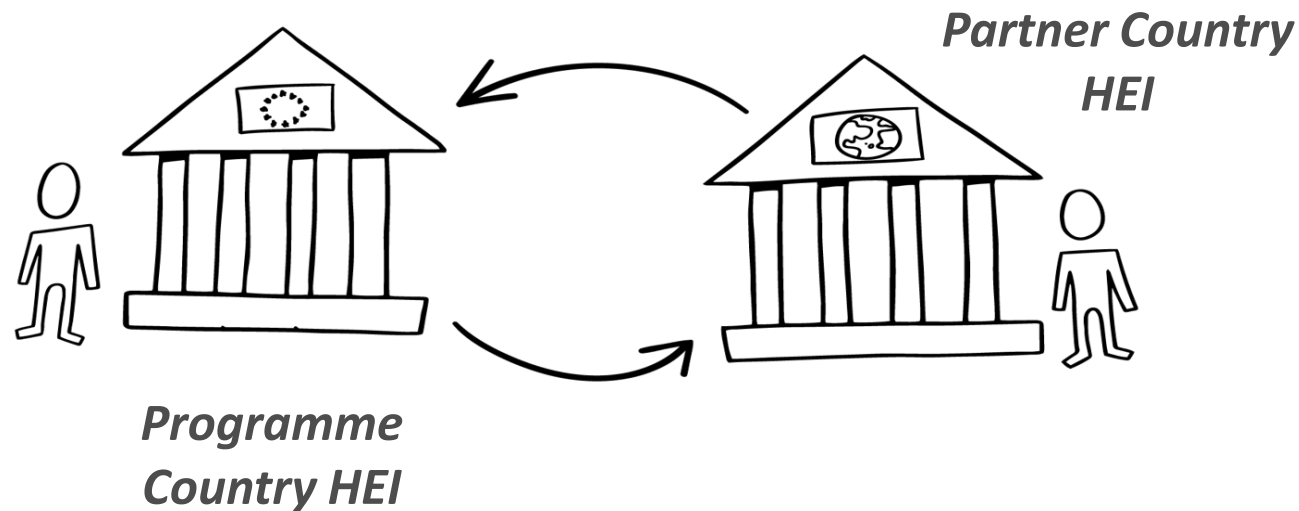
Who can apply and how? (I)

- Higher Education Institutions in the Programme countries
- The **ICM project in their application** contains the countries and partner universities they intend to cooperate with, as well as their **cooperation plan in each region**

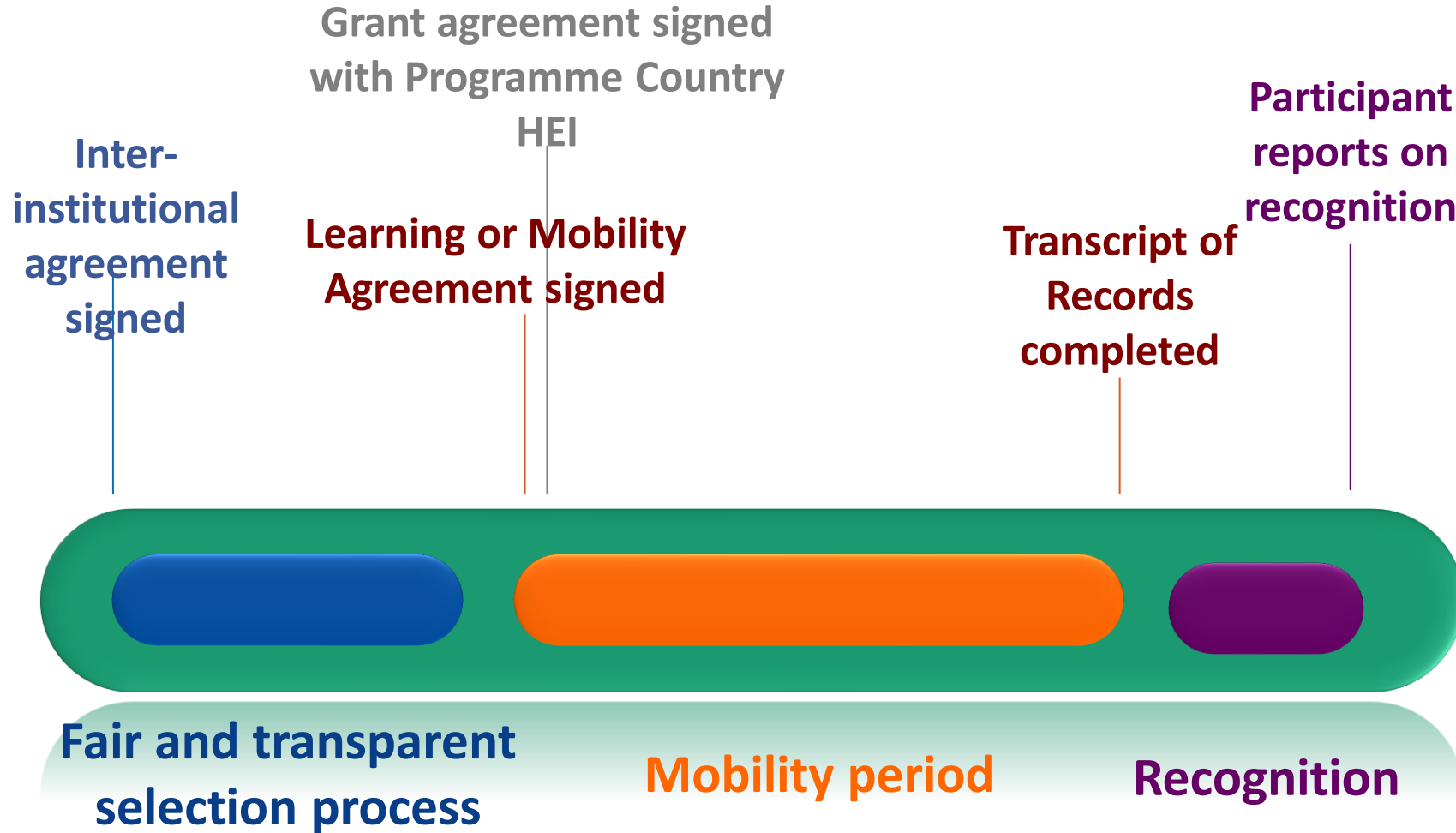


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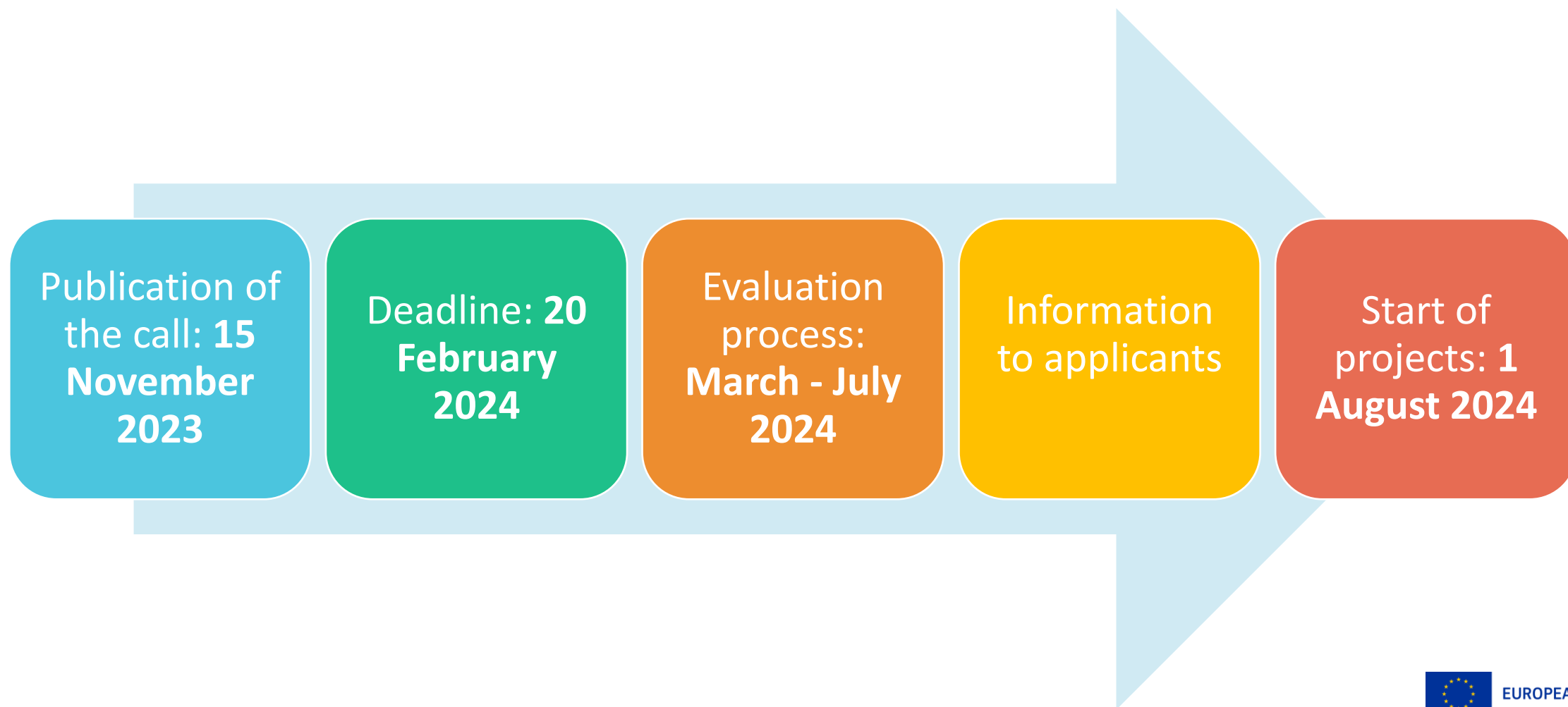
- Upon successfully passing the established quality criteria, they will be allocated **an ICM grant spread in different regional envelopes**
- For every partnership with a secured budget, an **Inter-Institutional Agreement** is needed between the main applicant in Europe and every partner university in third countries before mobilities can start.



ICM project implementation



Timeline



How I became the part of ICM?

- In 2013, CTIF, Aalborg University (AAU) Denmark invited me as an external examiner for their PhD candidate.
- I developed some links through AAU with the University of Malaga UMA), Spain
- Visited UMA Spain in 2013 on the way to AAU, Denmark
- Had a meeting with Pro-Rector International Office (UMA) for joint collaborative projects



.....How I became the part of ICM

- Invited Prof Javier Poncela of UMA as a Keynote in WSN4DC13
- This international conference was supported by
- HEC, PSF and ICTR&D.



.....How I became the part of ICM

- Discussed about ICM Mobility between MUET and UMA Spain during his participation in IMTIC15
- Got mail from the International office of UMA Spain about approval of 4 Staff and 8 Master mobilities

The rest is history



Call for application at home university /Selection criteria

- Received the mail from the UMA international office about the mobilities
- Announced the mobilities on the university portal
- Also, I delivered the awareness seminar on how to apply
- Received 5 applications in staff and 24 for masters student's mobility
- VC formed the evaluation committee
- The evaluation was sent to the international office UMA, Spain

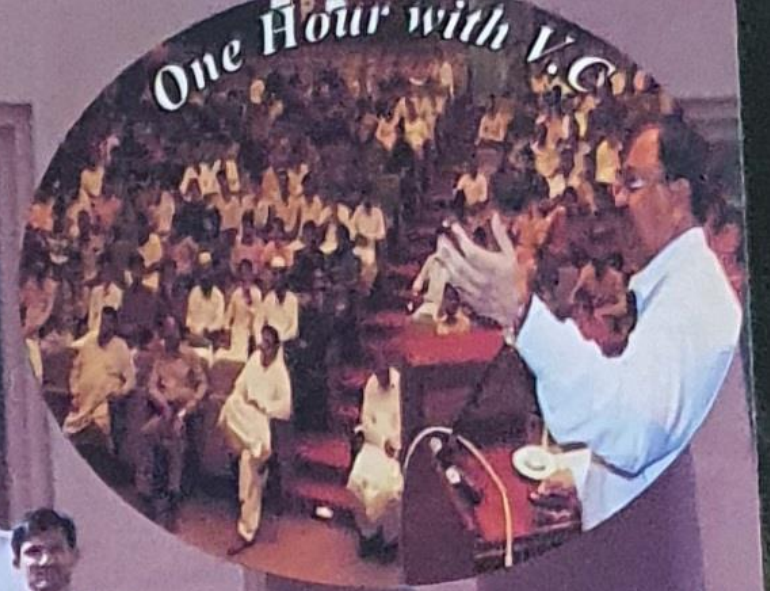


Call for application at home university

/Selection criteria

- Host institute (UMA) finalized the selection with the approval of 2 staff mobilities and 4 student mobilities. Also, one staff and three students were kept on the waiting list
- All the students were guided about their Credit transfer and learning agreement, accommodation, etc.
- Preferred students to complete their master's research/thesis work at UMA
- Upon return, the university equivalence committee approved their credit transfer

MUET Goes Global



Students feedback

- Have excellent experience working in an enabling environment
- Improved communication, language, and inter-cultural skills and gained soft skills highly valued by future employers
- Professional development, enhanced employability, and good research guidance.
- Most of them got good job opportunities as well as offers to do PhD from Europe.

faculty feedback

- Faculty members felt mobility not only strengthened their teaching skills but also enhanced joint research publications and networking.
- It helped them to exchange knowledge on the latest research methodologies and tools.
- Overcoming in reducing the research gaps.
- Had a useful discussion on various ongoing projects and how both institutions can benefit from it.
- Help in enhancing the research capabilities which will directly benefit the current working environment.

Joint international conference in UMA, Spain





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