

## Erasmus+ Virtual Exchanges (EVE)



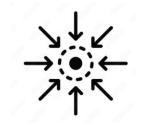
Enriching lives, opening minds

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## What are 'virtual exchanges'



Online people-to-people activities that promote intercultural dialogue and soft skills development. They make it possible for every young person to access high-quality international and cross-cultural education without physical mobility.

They take place in **small groups** and are always **moderated by a trained facilitator.** 

They should be **easily integrated into youth (non-formal education) projects or higher education courses** – involve participants from either only one or from both sectors.

Participant organisations must arrange virtual exchanges for people in the 13-30 age range.



## Specific objectives of the call

- Encourage intercultural dialogue with third countries not associated to the Programme and increase tolerance through online people-to-people interactions
- Promote various types of virtual exchanges, allowing more young people to benefit from intercultural and international experience
- Enhance critical thinking and media literacy, particularly in the use of internet and social media
- Foster the digital and soft skills development of students, young people and youth workers (including practice of foreign languages, teamwork, enhance employability)
- Promote citizenship and the common values of freedom, tolerance and nondiscrimination through education
- > Strengthen the **youth dimension** in the relations of the EU with third countries









## Activities and expected outcomes



Wide variety of activities and topics possible, but all projects are expected to have a **learning dimension** and to report on it

- On-line facilitated discussions (as part of youth projects)
- On-line facilitates discussions (as part of higher education courses)
- Training of youth workers for virtual exchanges
- Training for university professors/staff for virtual exchanges
- Interactive open on-line courses (community interactions among participants)

Rely as much as possible on existing tools and platforms!

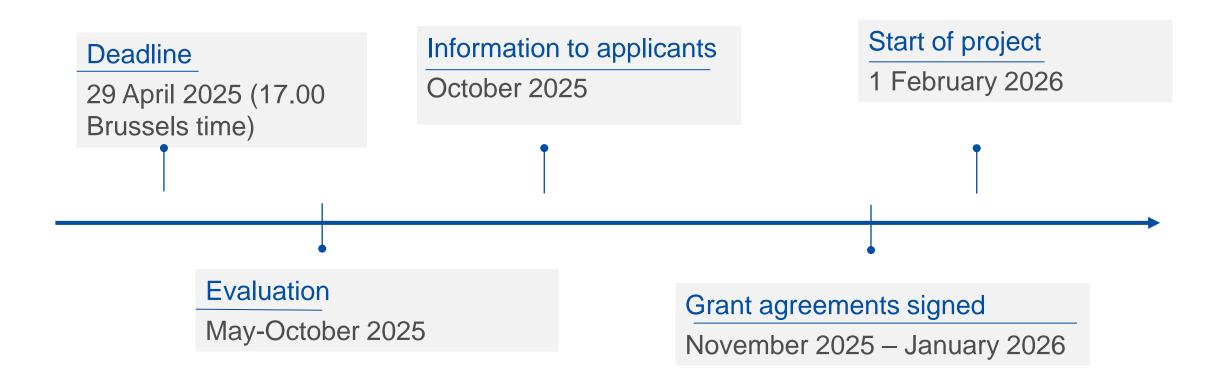
Foresee a method of recognition of participation!

Participants must be based in the countries of the organisations!

Activities must take place in in the countries of the participating organisations!

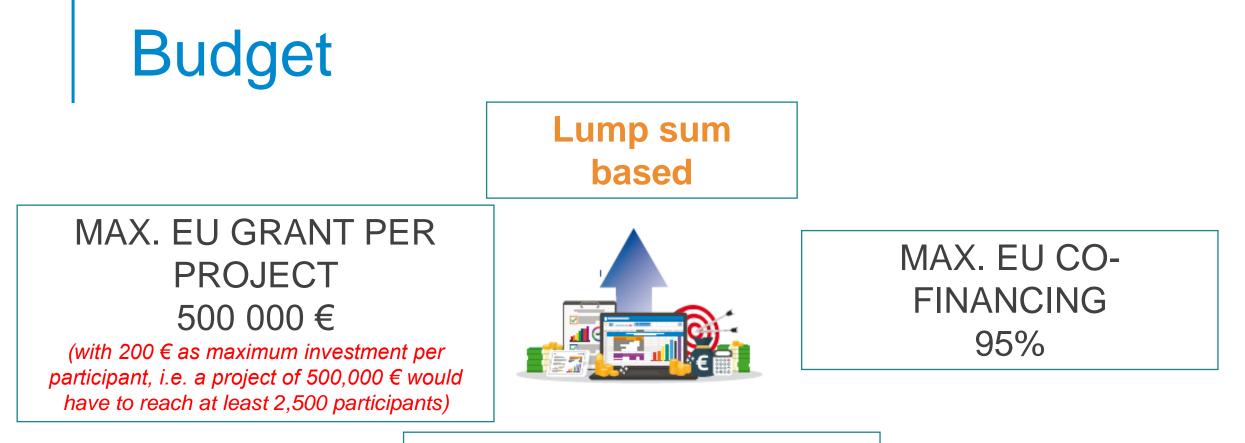


## Indicative timetable - ERASMUS-EDU-2024-VIRT-EXCH



Duration of Virtual exchanges projects: **3 years - 36 months** 





Budget available 5,9 mio EUR

Financial support to third parties in the form of grants or prizes is not allowed
Volunteer costs and SME unit costs for SME owners are allowed
See section Eligible costs in the Programme Guide Part C



#### Which regions of the world can participate

- EU Member States + Erasmus+ third countries associated to the Programme (i.e. Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey). <u>Organisations</u> from these countries can be coordinator.
- ✓ Western Balkans (Region 1)
- ✓ Neighbourhood East (Region 2)
- ✓ South-Mediterranean countries (Region 3)
- Sub-Saharan Africa (Region 9): geographical target priority to least developed countries and special emphasis on migration priority countries in this region

Nb. list of the countries in these regions can be found in the Programme Guide



Organisation and participants from <u>one</u> of the eligible regions

#### Who can apply as coordinator

- Youth organisation
- Higher education institution



#### established in EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme (i.e. Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey)



#### Who can participate as partner

Participating organisations may be established either in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme or in an eligible third country not associated to the Programme.

The applicants (beneficiaries and affiliated entities, if applicable) must be legal entities (public or private bodies) and may fall under the following categories:

Organisation and participants from <u>one</u> of the eligible regions

- Entities active in the field of higher education or youth (non-formal education),
- Youth organisations,
- Higher education institutions, associations or organisations of higher education institutions, as well as legally recognised national or international rector, teacher or student organisations.

Other entities may participate in other consortium roles, such as associated partners.



### What is the role of participating organisations

- **Coordinator:** A participating organisation that submits the project proposal on behalf of all the partners.
- Full partners: Participating organisations which contribute actively to the accomplishment of the virtual exchanges. They are listed in the financial table (budget).
- Associated partners: Organisations which contribute to the activities of the virtual exchanges but for contractual management reasons aspects are not considered to be beneficiaries. They do not receive any funding from the Programme (they do not have the right to charge any costs). They are not included in any way in the financial budget table.



## **Compulsory partnership composition**

- Minimum 4 independent entities (no affiliated entities) from 4 different eligible countries

Minimum of 2 higher education institutions or youth organisations from 2 EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme Minimum of 2 higher education institutions or youth organisations from 2 eligible third countries not associated to the Programme *belonging to the same eligible region* 

The number of organisations from EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme may not be higher than

and

the number of organisations from third countries not associated to the Programme

Affiliated entities and associated partners do not count towards the minimum eligibility criteria for the consortium composition.



## Stay tuned!

- Virtual Exchanges in higher education and youth | Erasmus+ (europa.eu) Erasmus+ website on EVE
- <u>The Erasmus+ Programme Guide | Erasmus+ (europa.eu)</u> Programme Guide 2024 published on 28 November 2023
- Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal EVE 2024 FTOP single entry point for applicants, link to EVE 2024
- <u>Submissions open for Virtual exchanges in higher education and youth (EVE) 2023 call for proposals (europa.eu)</u> news item for EVE 2023 on EACEA website (including video recording with EN, FR and ES subtitles), to be updated for 2024 by January 2024
- EVE 2023 selected projects to be published by February 2024
- EVE 2022 selected projects
  - NDICI Funding & tenders (europa.eu)
  - IPA Funding & tenders (europa.eu)
- EVE 2021 selected projects
  - NDICI <u>Funding & tenders (europa.eu)</u>
  - IPA Funding & tenders (europa.eu)
- <u>Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange | European Youth Portal (europa.eu)</u> Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange pilot project 2018-2020 with focus to South-Mediterranean countries



## **Questions**?

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