



The Benefits of the EU to Lifelong Learning


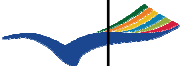




Key EU Policies

- **Climate change**
 - **The Gothenburg agenda:** The EU's sustainable development strategy
 - **Dealing with the economic crisis**
 - **The Lisbon Agenda: the EU's growth and jobs strategy:** focus on research, development and innovation
 - **Solidarity:** Intercultural Dialogue, European Social model, equal opportunities / anti-discrimination
 - **Accountability, Security and Europe as a world partner**
- + The Reform or Lisbon Treaty



EU Budget 2007-13	In billions of Euros	In %
Competitiveness for Growth and Employment (Research and Innovation, Trans-European energy and transport networks, integrated lifelong learning programme, Employment and Social Solidarity programme, global adjustment fund, nuclear decommissioning...)	72,1	8,4
Cohesion for Growth and Employment (Structural and Cohesion funds)	307,6	35,7
Preservation of natural environment (Common Agriculture Policy, rural development, fisheries and environment programme)	371,2	43,1
Citizenship (youth, culture, health, consumer protection...) Freedom, security and justice (immigration, crime, terrorism, fundamental rights...)	10,3	1,2
The EU as a global partner (development, humanitarian aid, European neighbourhood and partnership instrument, pre accession aid...)	50,0	5,8
Admin 	50,3	5,8 

The LLP

Lifelong Learning Programme 2007 - 2013

Comenius
School education

Erasmus
Higher education
& advanced
training

**Leonardo da
Vinci**
Initial & continuing
VET

Grundtvig
Adult education

Transversal programme

4 key activities – Policy development; Language learning; ICT; Dissemination

Jean Monnet programme

Jean Monnet Action; European Institutions; European Associations





Leonardo da Vinci

Objectives:

- to support the acquisition and the use of knowledge, skills and qualifications to facilitate personal development
- to support improvements in quality and innovation in Vocational Education and Training VET
- to facilitate the mobility of people



Leonardo Projects

Decentralised	Centralised
Transfer of Innovation projects	Development of Innovation projects
Mobility for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initial Vocational Training IVT Trainees;• People in the labour market;• VET professionals	Thematic Networks





Transfer of Innovation

1. Take innovative training
2. Adapt it to the needs of users
3. Transfer it to new contexts
4. Integrate it into training systems and practices

Projects must fit with the programme priorities





Transfer of Innovation

- You need at least 3 partners from 3 countries
- Projects last up to 2 years
- You can ask for up to 150,000 euro per year which can be up to 75% of the total project cost
- Partners must provide an additional 25% of funding





Mobility

- Organisations apply to send individuals to another European country
- IVT Trainees can go for 2-39 weeks
- 'People on the labour market' can go for 2-26 weeks
- VET professionals can go for 1-6 weeks





Mobility

- You need at least 1 partner in another European country
- Standard amounts of funding are provided for travel and subsistence costs
- There is also a contribution towards administration and language training costs





Grundtvig

Objectives:

- to respond to the educational challenge of an ageing population in Europe
- to help provide adults with pathways to improving their knowledge and competences





Learning Partnerships

- Small scale co-operation activities
- Involvement of learners is key
- You need at least 3 partners from 3 different countries
- Activity lasts two years
- Lump sum grant to cover local activities and mobility
- You can ask for up to 17,500 euro over 2 years





Benefits of Mobility

- Improves skills through attending a structured course, conference/seminar or undertaking job shadowing in another eligible country
- Visit lasts up to 6 weeks
- Typical grant is up to 1,500 euro





Preparatory Visits

- To support formation of European partnerships and discuss project ideas
- Each organisation applies to National Agency for funding to cover travel and subsistence costs
- Open applications all year round
- Typical grant is up to 1,000 euro





Transversal Programme

Objectives:

- to promote the quality and transparency of Member States' education and training systems
- to promote European co-operation in fields covering two or more programmes



Transversal Projects

Decentralised	Centralised
Study Visits for Education and Vocational Education & Training	Multilateral Projects for Languages, ICT & Dissemination priorities
	Networks for Languages & ICT priorities
	Research projects for Policy Co-operation & Innovation priority





The Comenius Programme

- Objectives
- reinforcing the European dimension of school education
- promoting and improving the learning of languages
- promoting intercultural awareness





Different Strands of the Comenius Programme

- Comenius Multilateral Partnerships
 - Comenius Bi-lateral Partnerships (with class exchange)
- Apply for 2 year grant/project
- Preparatory Visits - rolling deadline throughout year
- Contact Seminars – mainly Autumn term





Eligible Countries

- 27 EU Member States: Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Bulgaria, Romania, Sweden & the UK their overseas territories
- EFTA/EEA: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway
- Accession state: Turkey
- Possibility of others joining (Croatia, Ukraine, Macedonia, Montenegro, Switzerland, etc.?)





The Erasmus Programme

- Objectives
- reinforce the European dimension in higher education by;
- supporting the European activities of higher education institutions
- Promoting the mobility and exchange of their teaching staff and students.





Participating countries

- The Erasmus action are now open to the participation of 31 countries:
- the 27 Member States of the European Union
- the 3 European Economic Area countries (Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway)
- candidate countries.





LLP Key Documents

1. National call documentation

2. EC Call documents:

Part I – Priorities

Part II – Administrative & Financial Information

3. General Guide for Applicants

4. Application Forms





Other Information Sources

Executive Agency (Centralised projects)

eacea-info@ec.europa.eu

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/index_en.htm

National Agency web-sites (Decentralised projects)

European Commission LLP website

http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc78_en.htm

