



## Erasmus+ Programme

# Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

**Deadline for EMJMD call for proposals: Thursday 14 February 2019 – 12:00 CET**

An Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree (EMJMD) is a high-level integrated international study programme of 60, 90 or 120 ECTS credits, delivered by an international consortium of higher education institutions (HEI) and - where relevant - other educational and/or non-educational partners with specific expertise and interest in the study areas/professional domains covered by the joint programme.

Its aim is to:

- foster **QUALITY** improvements, **INNOVATION**, **EXCELLENCE** and **INTERNATIONALISATION** in HEIs;
- increase **QUALITY** and **ATTRACTIVENESS** of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA) – supporting EU **EXTERNAL POLICY** in the higher education field, by offering full degree scholarships to the best Master students worldwide;
- improve the level of **COMPETENCES** and **SKILLS** of Master graduates, in particular their relevance for the **LABOUR MARKET**, through an increased involvement of employers.

The study programme must include a mandatory mobility period in at least two different Programme Countries (28 EU Member States, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Serbia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey) and its successful completion must lead to the award of either a joint degree or multiple degrees.

### EMJMD main principles

- **High selectivity**: only excellent joint Master programmes will be selected and funded;
- Implemented by consortia of **fully recognised HEIs**, in the EU and (where relevant) in Partner Countries;
- **Full scholarships** for the best Master students worldwide with a priority for Partner-Country students (a minimum of 75 % will be earmarked for students from Partner Countries);
- Support to **invited scholars (/guest lecturers)** contributing to the EMJMD activities;
- **Joint Master degrees** encouraged but not mandatory (double/multiple degrees still eligible);
- Focus on the **socio economic environment**, **employability** of graduates and **sustainability** prospects of the EMJMD;
- Focus on excellence of selected EMJMD through **strengthened selection** and **monitoring procedure**;
- **Centrally managed** in Brussels by the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA).

### Taking part as an organisation

- EMJMDs are open to **any public** or **private organisation** located in **Programme** or **Partner Countries**
  - Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)
  - Non-academic partners (enterprises, non-profit organisations, NGOs, foundations, etc.)
- The applicant must be an **HEI established in a Programme Country**. The HEI applies on behalf of the EMJMD consortium.
- Minimum consortium composition: **3 HEIs** as partners from at least **3 different Programme Countries**.
- **Associated partners** (optional): contribute indirectly to the implementation of specific tasks/activities. For contractual management issues they are **not considered** as part of the EMJMD consortium.

## EMJMD award criteria

Projects will be assessed against the following criteria:

- **Relevance** of the project (max 40 points)
- Quality of the **project design and implementation** (max 20 points)
- Quality of the **project team and the cooperation arrangements** (max 20 points)
- **Impact and dissemination** (max 20 points)

To be considered for funding, proposals must score at least **70 points** overall and obtain 75% (30 points) of the maximum allocated points for "relevance".

**Additional scholarships:** the applicants may apply for additional scholarships for one or more regions / sub regions / countries) of the world, including the Western Balkans, Asia, Central Asia, South Africa, Latin America, Eastern and Southern neighbourhood countries, Gulf countries and Africa-Caribbean-Pacific.

**Duration of the project:** 1 optional preparatory year + 4 annual intakes of students (6 years maximum)

**EU Grant** will vary indicatively between **3 and 4 million EUR:**

- **Lump sum for consortium management & invited scholars**  
220 000 EUR => 20 000 EUR for the optional preparatory year (+) 50 000 EUR per intake of the EMJMD
- **Fixed number of student scholarships for the 4 intakes (indicatively 15 per intake)**

Maximum 25 000 EUR per academic year and per scholarship; the actual amount of the individual scholarships will vary in accordance with the EMJMD length (60, 90 or 120 ECTS), the student country/region of residence and the EMJMD participation costs.

### *New in 2019: Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters with Japan*

The European Commission has teamed up with the Japanese government to support EU-Japan joint Master programmes in the framework of the EU's EMJMDs. The first joint call will seek to attract prestigious consortia of European and Japanese universities to develop highly integrated joint Master programmes. Each consortium must consist of at least 3 higher education institutions (HEI) from Erasmus+ Programme Countries<sup>1</sup> and at least one HEI from Japan. The call will fund between 3 and 4 joint projects, each supporting 4 consecutive student intakes of 1 to 2 academic years. Projects will receive up to a maximum of 64 scholarships, co-funded by the EU and the Japanese government, to attract excellent students. The call has the same launch date in October as the 'classic' EMJMD call, albeit with a later deadline of 1 April 2019 (instead of 14 February for EMJMDs).

## Taking part as an individual

**EMJMD student scholarships** include:

- a travel allowance (1 000 - 3 000 EUR per academic year)
- an installation allowance (1 000 EUR for students resident in a Partner Country only)
- a fixed monthly allowance for all scholarship holders (1 000 EUR)
- coverage of the students' participation costs /tuition fees
  - up to 9 000 EUR / year for Partner Country students
  - up to 4 500 EUR / year for Programme Country students

Information for individual participants:

<https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/scholarships>

[https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/emjmd-catalogue\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/emjmd-catalogue_en)

## Thinking of applying?

**Information for organisations:** [https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-1-learning-mobility-individuals/erasmus-mundus-joint-master-degrees\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-1-learning-mobility-individuals/erasmus-mundus-joint-master-degrees_en)

Applications to be submitted using an **eForm** with **attachments**

1. Register the partnership's organisations in the Participant Portal for a Participant Identification Code (PIC)
2. Create your electronic application form using the PICs
3. Fill in the eForm
4. Attach completed versions of the attachments
5. Submit the eForm on-line by the deadline of 14 February 2019, 12:00 CET.