



EUROPEAN UNION

Erasmus+
Enriching lives, opening minds.

2021-2027

Erasmus+ Programme
Inter-institutional agreement
Key Action 1
Learning mobility for higher education students and staff

between EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme
and third countries not associated to the Programme

The institutions¹ named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. This agreement is valid for the Erasmus+ call years 2022-2025 in:

- Erasmus+ KA171

The institutions commit to sound and transparent management of funds allocated to them through Erasmus+ and to respect the quality requirements of the Programme, outlined in the [Erasmus Charter for Higher Education](#)² and in this agreement.

The institutions agree on exchanging their mobility-related data according to the [principles of GDPR](#)³ and in line with the technical standards of the [European Student Card Initiative](#)⁴, when this becomes available for international mobility involving third countries not associated to the Programme.

Sending institutions located in EU/EEA countries have to ensure compliance with the provisions of art. 46 GDPR for all participants' personal data exchanged in the context of their mobility with institutions from non-EU/EEA countries without an adequacy decision, on the condition that enforceable data subject rights and effective legal remedies for data subjects are available in the respective third country. The participants should be informed in a transparent manner about the level of protection of their personal data, if this is different from the one where the sending institution is located.

¹ Inter-institutional agreements can be bilateral or multilateral in the case of mobility consortia:

- Bilateral agreements are for cooperation between one higher education institution located in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme and another institution located in a third country not associated to the Programme
- Multilateral agreements are for cooperation between a mobility consortium of higher education institutions located in one single EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme and another institution located in a third country not associated to the Programme.

² https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/higher-education-charter_en

³ https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/law-topic/data-protection/reform/rules-business-and-organisations/principles-gdpr_en

⁴ https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative_en

1. Information about the higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department where relevant)	Erasmus code or city ⁵	Contact details ⁶ (email, phone)	Websites
UNIVERSITY OF ISFAHAN IRAN	ISFAHAN	Prof. Mehrdad Hejazi m.hejazi@eng.ui.ac.ir Tel: +989131140282 Ms. Fariba Hadian isco3.ui@gmail.com Tel: +98 313 793 5258	General: https://www.ui.ac.ir Erasmus: https://isc.ui.ac.ir/page-internationalmain/fa/50/list-link/02800-G911/link/?Pcod=1
UNIVERSITAT POLITÈCNICA DE VALÈNCIA SPAIN	E VALENCI02	Ms. Elena Taulet Grech ka107@upv.es Tel: +34 963 877 832	General: https://erasmus-ka107.webs.upv.es/ Faculty/faculties: https://www.upv.es/organizacion/escuelas-facultades/index-en.html Course catalogue: http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/818871nормali.html

⁵ Higher education institutions (HEIs) from EU Member States or third countries associated to the Programme should indicate their Erasmus code; HEIs from third countries not associated to the Programme should mention the city where they are located.

⁶ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

2. Mobility numbers per academic year

The partners agree to update the mobility data, whenever possible, by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year formally via an amendment of the inter-institutional agreement. *In case of later updates in the mobility data, the partners can also agree to accept informal communication means (e.g. exchanges of emails as written proof).*

Number of student and staff mobility periods

FROM [Erasmus code or city of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code or city of the receiving institution]	Subject area NAME	Study cycle [short cycle, 1st, 2nd or 3rd]	Number of mobility periods			
				Student Mobility [Specify here total number of students]	Student Mobility [Specify here total number of months]	Staff Mobility [Specify here total number of staff]	Staff Mobility [Specify here total number of days]
ISFAHAN	E VALENCIO2	Civil Engineering and Architecture	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd	1 cancelled	5 cancelled	2	14

Optional additional information

The mobility of doctoral students will have a component of virtual work to have the support of the thesis director and promote collaborative research.

3. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following the agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills⁷ at the start of the mobility period (see also section 5 “Preparation and Support”).

Receiving institution [Erasmus code or city]	Language of instruction 1	Language of instruction 2	Recommended level	
			Student Mobility [Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages: B1]	Staff Mobility [Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages for teaching: B2]
E VALENCIO2	English	Spanish	B2 English – B1 Spanish	B2 English – B1 Spanish

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution. The links to the course catalogue are provided in the first section.

⁷ For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, it is recommended to use the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR): <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr>

4. Partnership arrangements: fees and organisational support funds

In accordance with the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education, partners commit to charge no additional fees to students:

- In connection with the organization or administration of their Erasmus+ mobility period. Any violation to this rule by the partners shall be brought to the attention of the National Agency and may lead to the termination of the participation in the project linked to this inter-institutional agreement, if no corrective measures are taken.
- For tuition, registration, examinations or access to laboratory and library facilities. Nevertheless, they may be charged small fees on the same basis as local students for costs such as insurance, student unions and the use of miscellaneous material.

Partners agree on the following use and repartition of organisational support funds according to the following objective **that both partners consider a priority**:

OS Use and Repartition	Priority Objectives
The UPV will transfer up to 500 EUROS to UI as contribution to:	Enhance the promotion and visibility, of the collaboration between UPV and UI in the framework of the Erasmus+ KA171 project, in the institutional website.

5. Outreach and Selection of participants: calendar, application procedure and requirements

- Partners commit to doing outreach to participants with fewer opportunities to encourage their participation in the Programme and, where needed, agree on a common strategy to meet indicative inclusion targets.
- Partners commit to running selection procedures for mobility activities that are fair, transparent and documented, ensuring equal opportunities to participants eligible for mobility. The calls for applications must be public and an appeal procedure must be in place. Under no circumstances, shall applicants and selected participants incur any costs during application and selection procedures.
- In the case of student mobility, partners will ensure that other elements beyond academic merit are taken into account to ensure the participation of students with fewer opportunities. Selection criteria and procedures must be clearly communicated in the call for applications.

Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code or city]	Term duration	Deadline ⁸
E VALENCIO2	Winter Term: from 15 th March to 30 th April.	15 th May
	Spring Term: from 1 st September to 5 th October.	15 th October

The receiving institution will send its decision no later than 5 weeks.

The partners commit to have a fair, transparent, coherent and documented application and selection procedure outlined in their respective websites and regularly updated, together with the contact details of the relevant department:

Application procedure		
Receiving/sending Institution	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
E VALENCIO2	Elena Taulet Grech ka107@upv.es Tel: +34 963 877 832	https://erasmus-ka171.webs.upv.es/
ISFAHAN	Fariba Hadian isco3.ui@gmail.com Tel: +98 313 793 5258	https://isc.ui.ac.ir/page-internationalmain/fa/50/list-link/02800-G911/link/?Pcod=1

⁸ Please specify the deadline for each semester and, if necessary, adapt to a trimester system.

The partners agree that the essential selection criteria will be the criteria listed below. However, new elements may be agreed upon, or those included here may be modified if a better selection process is outlined and always by mutual agreement.

Selection criteria		
Requirement	Details	Website for information (optional)
Academic requirements	<p>Number of ECTS credits (or equivalent) already completed / current level of completion of studies: Undergraduate 120 ECTS / 2 completed courses Master: 30/60 ECTS: midterm of studies completed Subject area (ISCED code): EQF level Bachelor's Degree: 180-240 ECTS: EQF Level 6 Bachelor's Degree: 300 ECTS: EQF Level 7 Master: 60-120 ECTS PhD: EQF 8</p>	<p>https://erasmus-ka171.webs.upv.es/</p>
CV	For PhD and Staff	
Motivation letter	For students	
Other	<p>For student's application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certificate of grades without academic validity where the average grade of the access degree appears. - Certificate of languages: English B2 or higher and Spanish of any level. - For Ph.D. students, approval from the thesis director for the stay, stating the part of the research work to be carried out in the UPV. 	<p>Contact of support service for students with disabilities: Fundación CEDAT-Servicio de Atención al Estudiante con Discapacidad Información Menús Servicio de atención Telephone: 96 3877036 E-mail: iandreu@upv.es</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pre-invitation from the UPV professor who will supervise the student's research work during the stay. <p>For Staff's application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certificate or proof of languages. B1-B2. - Working Plan agreed with host institution, stating the number of teaching hours. - Pre-invitation from Host-Institution. - For STT: admission in the correspondent staff week or working plan agreed with host institution. 	
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6. Preparation and support

The Higher Education Institution(s) in an EU Member State or associated third country commit(s) to:

- Ensure that students are aware of their rights and obligations as defined in the [Erasmus+ Student Charter](#)⁹.
http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/menu_urlc.html?//www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/Erasmus_Charter_UPV_2021-2027_firmada.pdf
http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/menu_urlc.html?//www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/EPS_UPV_2021-2027.pdf
- Arrange travel or provide a pre-financing of the grant to students with fewer opportunities, to **reduce the costs that participants need to cover upfront**, to the extent possible.

All involved Higher Education Institutions commit to the following preparation and support measures. Information and assistance can be provided by the contact points and information sources in the table below:

- The receiving institution will assist incoming mobile participants in finding **accommodation**, providing a specific search engine to find accommodation in Valencia, Alcoy or Gandía, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.
<http://www.upv.es/perfiles/estudiante/alojamientos-upv-en.html>
- Ensure that outgoing mobile participants are well prepared for their activities abroad, including blended mobility, by undertaking activities to achieve the necessary level of **linguistic proficiency** and develop their **intercultural competencies**.

⁹ The Erasmus+ Student Charter is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/student-charter_en

- Provide assistance related to obtaining **visas**, when required, for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining **insurance**, when required, for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education and use project funds in the most inclusive way to cover related costs partially or in full. The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided.
- The receiving institution will inform about the existence of relevant infrastructure and provide support to incoming **participants with fewer opportunities**.
- Provide **appropriate mentoring and support arrangements** for mobile participants, including for those pursuing blended mobility, as well as **integrate incoming mobile participants** into the wider student community and in the Institution's everyday life.
- Provide participants with their **grant as soon as possible upon arrival**, including if necessary a first payment using cash, check or similar to avoid delays linked to opening a bank account.
- The institutions commit to encourage participants to act as **ambassadors of the Erasmus+ Programme** and share their mobility experience, e.g. by providing information about the existence of Erasmus+ alumni networks, inviting former participants in promotion activities, etc.

Preparatory & Support Measures	Coordinator	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	E VALENCIO2	International Affairs Office KA107@upv.es - +34963877832	http://www.upv.es/perfiles/estudiante/alojamientos-upv-en.html https://erasmus-ka171.webs.upv.es/tutorials/
Language Support	E VALENCIO2	International Affairs Office KA107@upv.es - +34963877832	http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/818882normali.html
Visa	E VALENCIO2	International Affairs Office	https://erasmus-ka171.webs.upv.es/how-to-obtain-a-visa/

		KA107@upv.es - +34963877832	
Insurance	E VALENCIO2	International Affairs Office KA107@upv.es - +34963877832	http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/961677normali.html
Inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities	E VALENCIO2	International Affairs Office KA107@upv.es - +34963877832	http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/961677normali.html
Mentoring	E VALENCIO2	International Office of the School or Faculty of admission	https://www.upv.es/organizacion/escuelas-facultades/index-en.html http://www.upv.es/entidades/OPII/infoweb/pi/info/820230normali.html
Grant payments	E VALENCIO2	International Affairs Office KA107@upv.es - +34963877832	https://erasmus-ka171.webs.upv.es/incoming-students/
Alumni information	E VALENCIO2	Alumni UPV	https://www.alumni.upv.es/

Preparatory & Support Measures	Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	ISFAHAN	Ms. Houri Zarei int-office@ui.ac.ir +98 313 793 5158	https://isc.ui.ac.ir/page-internationalMain/fa/50/form/CI3230/link
Visa	ISFAHAN	Ms. Houri Zarei int-office@ui.ac.ir +98 313 793 5158	https://isc.ui.ac.ir/page-internationalMain/fa/50/form/CI3230/link

7. Recognition

Institutions commit to:

- Ensure recognition for activities satisfactorily completed. *[Please specify the recognition tools that will be used, e.g. [the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System or EQUIVALENT SYSTEM.](#)]*

For the Universitat Politècnica de València:

A. The ECTS system is the credit system used.

More information on the ECTS at: http://ec.europa.eu/education/library/publications/2015/ects-users-guide_en.pdf

For University of Isfahan

B. At the University of Isfahan, the passing grade point for a single course is 10.00 out of 20 for BA/BSc graduate programs, and 12.00 and 14.00 for MA/MSc and PhD programs, respectively.

However, it should be noted that Students' Grade Point Average (GPA) for each semester should not be less than 12, 14 and 16 for BA/BSc, MA/MSc, and PhD programs, respectively.

ECTS Credits Equivalence for Recognition

One credit equals 18 hours per semester, and each course usually includes 2, 3 or 4 credits.

More details: https://isc.ui.ac.ir/Dorsapax/userfiles/Sub50/UI_grading_system_and_description.pdf

- All ECTS earned during the mobility period, as signed in the learning agreement and confirmed in the academic certificate, must be transferred without delay and count for the student's degree without needing work or additional student assessments.
- Ensure that student and staff mobility for education or training purposes is based on a learning agreement for students and a mobility agreement for staff validated in advance between the sending and receiving institutions and the mobile participants.
- Accept all activities indicated in the learning agreement, or according to the learning outcomes of the modules completed abroad, as automatically counting towards the degree, provided these have been satisfactorily completed by the mobile student.
- Partners commit to taking measures to ensure recognition of student and staff mobility upon their return, including:
 - Providing incoming mobile students and their sending institutions with free-of-charge transcripts. The documents must be in English or in the language of the sending institution and contain a full, accurate, and timely record of the achievements at the end of the mobility period.
 - A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than [5] weeks after the assessment period has finished at

the receiving HEI.

- o Providing staff with a certificate for the activities completed. It is recommended to issue a certificate towards the end of the mobility period.

8. Grading systems of the institutions

It is recommended that receiving institutions provide the statistical distribution of grades or make the information available through [EGRACONS](#) according to the descriptions in the [ECTS users' guide](#)¹⁰. The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Website for information										
<p>The grading scale is the same awarded throughout the whole of Spain. The marks range from 0 to 10 points, as follows.</p> <p>GRADING MARK</p> <p>Fail / Suspenso < 5 Pass / Aprobado 5 < 7 Satisfactory pass / Notable 7 < 9 Good pass / Sobresaliente 9 < 10 Distinction / Matrícula honor > 10</p> <p>Marks below 5 indicates a fail, anything above a grade 5 is a pass</p>	<p>https://www.google.com/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=&ved=2ahUKewi48r_H0Pv7AhURU6QEHWjAC3sQFnoECBUQAQ&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.upv.es%2Fentidades%2FSA%2Ffciclos%2FU0911437.pdf&usg=AOvVaw1sHWMllyW0yhdNp9KqG4ZA</p>										
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¹⁰ The ECTS user's guide is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources-and-tools/document-library/ects-users-guide_en

Marks below 5 indicates a fail, anything above a grade 5 is a pass	
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9. Any other information regarding the terms of the agreement (optional)

None

10. Termination of the agreement

1. By mutual agreement between the parties.
2. By expiry of the initial period of validity or of its extensions.
3. By failure to fulfil the obligations that were established or due to having breached the duty of trust.
4. By unilateral decision taken by one of the parties, provided written notice to this effect is given one year before the date on which the agreement is to be terminated.



Either party shall have the ability to terminate this agreement by giving written notice to the other party. However, in the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given.

In any case, if the decision is taken to terminate this agreement prematurely, the two parties commit themselves to finish any undertakings that have already been started when notice of the termination is given.

If there are students currently attending a receiving institution the agreement may be cancelled after such students return to their home institution.

Neither the European Commission, the National Agencies, nor the Parties can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code or name and city]	Name, function	Date	Signature ¹
ISFAHAN	<p>Mohammad Amiryousefi</p> <p>President Consultant in International Affairs and Director of International Scientific Cooperation Office</p>	09/07/2024	
E VALENCI 02	<p>José Francisco Monserrat Del Río</p> <p>Vice-Rector of Internationalisation and Communication.</p>	09/07/2024	

¹ Scanned copies of signatures or digital signatures may be accepted depending on the national legislation

