

Erasmus + Key Action 2 Capacity Building in the field of Higher Education (II)

Call for proposals 2017

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PART I

Project types



CBHE – Types of Projects

Joint Projects:

=> Impact Institutions

curriculum development

university governance & management

Links between HE institutions and the wider economic and social environment

Structural Projects:

=> Impact Systems

modernisation of policies, governance and management of higher education systems

Links between HE systems and the wider economic and social environment

Special

Mobility

Strand



Joint Projects - Examples of Activities

- Development, testing and adapting of curricula, learning and teaching materials, tools and methods for professional development of academic and administrative staff, new governance and management systems and structures
- Organisation of staff training (academic and non academic)
- Strengthening of the internationalisation of HEI and the capacity to network effectively in research, scientific and technological innovation
- Upgrading facilities necessary to implement innovative practices (i.e. for new curricula and teaching methods, for the development of new services)



Structural Projects - Examples of Activities

- Strengthening of internationalisation of higher education systems;
- Introduction of Bologna-type reforms (i.e. three-level cycle system, quality assurance, evaluation)
- Implementation of **transparency tools** such as credit systems, accreditation procedures, guidelines for the recognition of prior and non-formal learning;
- Strengthening the integration of education, research and innovation



Part II

Financial rules





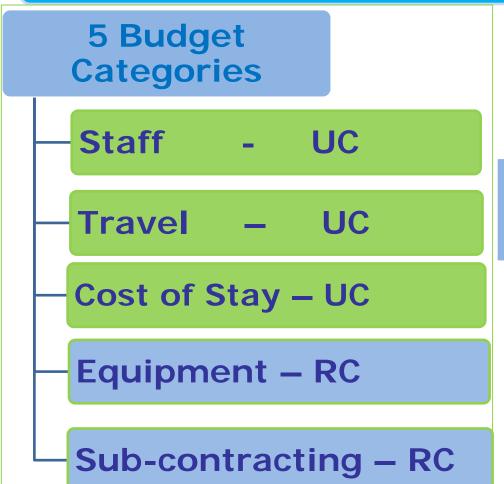
How to calculate the budget -Categories

Staff costs (max 40%)	4 Staff Categories (Manager, Researcher/ Teacher/Trainer, Technician, Administrator)
Travel costs	Students/staff from partners in countries involved in the project from their place of origin to the venue of the activity and return. Activities and related travels must be carried out at project beneficiaries organisation.
Costs of stay	Subsistence, accommodation, local and public transport, personal or optional health insurance.
Equipment (max 30%)	Purchased <u>exclusively</u> for the benefit of HEIs in the Partner Countries
Sub-contracting (max 10%)	Exceptional for services related to

consortia



How to calculate the budget -Methods



2 Allocation /
Justification
Methods

Real Costs
(RC)

Unit Costs
(UC)

Other types of costs are not considered for the calculation of the grant.

>>> Expected to be **covered by co-funding**.



How to calculate the budget -Unit Costs

- ➤ A unit cost is a **fixed contribution** which is multiplied by the specific **number of units** to cover the costs linked to the implementation of a specific activity or task.
- **EU Grants**: 2 important principles.
 - Non profit
 - Co-funding
- ➤ E+ Unit Cost amounts are the result of a statistical analysis carried out on real project costs from previous generation of programmes (LLP, Erasmus Mundus, Jean Monnet, Tempus, etc.)
- ➤ **For CBHE**, simulation on Tempus projects -> "statistically" the combination of real and unit costs corresponded +/- to 90% of their total eligible costs.



How to calculate the budget –Unit Costs

- > Real costs: How did you use the grant?
 - => input based
 - =>Expenses incurred, supporting documents
- > Unit costs: what did you achieve with the grant?
 - =>output based
 - =>No need to prove the actual expenditure but you need to show the "triggering event" (i.e.: the fact the activity was indeed properly implemented (e.g. teaching, training)



How to calculate the budget - Unit Cost

Unit Costs

Grant **Allocation**

Volume (/nature) of activities proposed in the application

Grant **Justification**

(final report)

Eligibility verification of the "triggering event"

Use of the Grant

internal decision of the partnership (in coherence with application)





How to calculate the budget - STAFF COSTS

Financing mechanism for staff costs (see Programme Guide page 158, 160 and page 161 Table A and B)	Amount	
Unit costs	per manager involved per day	
Subdivided in 4 categories	per researcher/ teacher/trainer involved per day	Max. 40% of the total grant
and country groups (4 groups for Programme and 4 groups for Partner	per technician involved per day	
Countries)	per administrative staff involved per day	



How to calculate the budget - Travel/Cost of Stay

Costs of Stay

Travel Costs

for eligible activities please refer Programme Guide

DAYS	STAFF	STUDENTS
1-14	120€	55€
15-60	70€	-
15-90	-	40€
61 – 90	50€	n.a.

Distance Bands (one way)	Unit Cost (return trip)
100-499 km	180€
500-1999 km	275€
2000-2999 km	360€
3000-3999 km	530€
4000-7999 km	820€
8000 km and more	1.100€



PART III

Assessment of applications



What is assessed? Eligibility Criteria

Formal submission requirements

Grant size and duration

Applicant, Partners and Partnership requirements (number of partners, status of the grant applicant & partners, etc.)





What is assessed? Exclusion and Selection Criteria

The institution is **not in one of the situations described in section C.** Exclusion criteria of the Guidelines (such as bankruptcy, professional misconduct, subject of fraud, corruption, administrative penalties, conflict of interest, etc.)

Legal person status of the applicant organisation

Financial capacity to complete the proposed activities (private entities only)

Operational capacity to complete the proposed activities

Based on supporting and administrative documents, like the declaration of honour, legal entity form, profit and loss accounts...





What is assessed? Award Criteria



To be considered for funding, proposals must score at least 60 points in total and - out of these points at least 15 points for "Relevance"



