### Project title: Sharing Best Practices in Crisis Preparedness in Social Work

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5) to provide financial support that enables physical student and staff mobility between the Finnish and the Indian institutions

6) to increase direct contacts between academics of JYU and the partner institutions in the mentioned fields, facilitating co-creating of research (joint publications) and academic cooperation

The anticipated project results include
- new jointly developed online teaching modules & webinars for Master- and PhD-level students in social work
- Winter School 2022 in India in January/February 2022 for social work students
- Summer School in Finland in August 2023 for social work students
- teaching & research visits, connected to the winter and summer school programmes
- Internships of Finnish social work students in India
- 4 semester-long study & research periods of Indian PhD students in Finland
- tailored short-term mobility opportunities for Finnish and Indian social work students
- co-created research (joint publications) and recognized themes for future research projects