

Annex 1: Key Action 1 International Credit Mobility – Information on flexibility of KA107 projects to successful applicants

Applications for International Credit Mobility submitted under the 2015 Call are in the process of being selected and some National Agencies might already have informed their successful applicants. Beneficiary higher education institutions (HEIs) will now start organising their mobility flows and might raise questions regarding the flexibility of KA107 projects, i.e. what can and cannot be done with or without an amendment.

The information below summarises the possible changes. Although the Commission does not provide a template for the notification letters, we highly recommend including this information in the letters to be sent to the successful applicants. In case the National Agency has already sent out the notification letters, please make sure to communicate this information to your beneficiary subsequently.

I. Amendment of the Grant Agreement

Transfer of funds allocated for travel and individual support

Subject to the assessment by the National Agency that the core of the project described in Annex I of the Grant Agreement is preserved and provided that any secondary criteria that the National Agency may have set is respected (i.e. limiting the study cycle or the duration of the mobility periods, privileging only staff or only student mobility), an amendment may be requested to allow for the transfer of up to 100% of the funds allocated for travel and individual support:

- a) between all study cycles for student inbound mobility;
- b) between all study cycles for student outbound mobility, except for mobility with the following Partner Countries: South Africa, developing Asian countries^[1], Latin America^[2] and Cuba, where flexibility only applies between first and second study cycles;
- c) between inbound student and inbound staff mobility;
- d) between outbound student and outbound staff mobility, except for mobility with the following Partner Countries: South Africa, developing Asian countries, Latin America and Cuba, where flexibility only applies between third cycle outbound doctoral mobility and outbound staff mobility;
- e) between staff teaching and staff training.

The amendment shall be made in writing, in accordance with Article II.11 of the Grant Agreement.

Modification of the Partner Country higher education institution in a set of mobility flows

Subject to the assessment by the National Agency that the core of the project described in Annex I of the Grant Agreement is preserved, an amendment (as described above) may be

^[1] Developing Asian countries: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cambodia, China, DPR Korea, India, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Vietnam, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan.

^[2] Latin American countries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela.

requested to change a Partner Country higher education institution specified in Annex I only for a different higher education institution in the same Partner Country.

II. Modifications without amendment

As described in the Article "Modifications without amendment" of the Grant Agreement, HEIs are allowed to:

- a) set the duration of mobilities,
- b) organise mobilities for a different number of participants than specified in Annexes I and II of the Grant Agreement,

without requesting an amendment as long as the minimum and maximum durations set out in the Programme Guide, and any possible secondary criteria published by the National Agency, are respected.

In addition, Article "I.3. 2 Budget transfers without amendment" of the Grant Agreement, authorises HEIs to transfer up to 50% of the funds allocated for organisational support to individual support and travel for student and/or staff mobility.