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# European Universities Initiative Pilot Call 2020

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# Funding Model



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# What kind of activities are possible

- Mission statement includes the long-term joint strategy of the alliance
  - Joint work plan of activities to achieve the goals of the strategy
- Funding period covers 3 years
  - Support for implementing the first steps of the joint work plan of activities
- The funding model is flexible and allows a wide variety of activities ia.
  - Design of common management structures
  - Promoting mobility of students, researchers and staff (physical, virtual and blended mobility)
  - Developing new joint and flexible curricula and joint degrees with cross/multi-disciplinary approaches and innovative pedagogies
  - Cooperation with stakeholders and industry
  - etc.

# Funding rules

- EU grant covers max 80 % of the total eligible cost of the project and amounts to max 5 M€ / project
- EU grant is based on direct / real costs with the exception of indirect cost which is awarded as a flat rate
- Budget items:
  - Staff costs
  - Travel costs
  - Individual Support
  - Equipment (max 8 % of total direct eligible costs)
  - Other cost (max 5 % of total direct eligible costs)
  - Indirect cost (max 7 % of total direct eligible costs)
- NB. Project funding covers student mobility shorter than 3 months → normal Erasmus+ mobility funding can support longer student mobility periods



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# How to apply



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# Electronic Application Form + Annexes

Part A: eForm with administrative data

Part B: Content information on the proposed alliance:

- Part B1: Project Technical Description
- Part B2: Budget Table (excel file)
- Part B3: Mission Statement

# How to navigate to the application form

- Open EUN page on the EACEA website

[https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-2-european-universities\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-2-european-universities_en)

## Related content

CALLS FOR PROPOSALS	DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION	STATUS	C R
<b>European universities (F&amp;TP)</b>	26/02/2020 - 17:00 (CET/CEST)	OPEN	E
European Universities 2019-EAC/A03/2018	28/02/2019 - 12:00 (CET/CEST)	CLOSED	E

# The Funding & tender opportunities portal (F&TP)



Funding & tender opportunities  
Single Electronic Data Interchange Area (SEDIA)

SEARCH FUNDING & TENDERS

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

PROJECTS & RESULTS

WORK AS AN EXPERT

Erasmus+ Programme (EPLUS)

Grant

European Universities EPP-EUR-UNIV-2020

Types of action: EPLUS2020 Action Grant | Programme: Erasmus+ Programme

Open for submission

Opening date: 07 November 2019



# European Universities in the F&TP

The screenshot shows the F&TP portal interface. On the left, a navigation menu contains several items: 'Topic description', 'Conditions and documents' (highlighted in yellow with a red arrow pointing to it), 'Partner Search', 'Submission service' (highlighted in yellow with a red arrow pointing to it), 'Get support', 'Call information', and 'Call Updates'. The main content area is titled 'Topic Description' and contains the following text: 'Scope:', 'This action aims to encourage t a degree by combining studies i', 'European Universitie: and sustainable.', and 'More specifically Eur'. To the right of the 'Topic Description' section, there is a heading '5. Application and evaluation forms, model agreements' followed by two blue links: 'Visual application package' and 'Model Grant Agreement'. Below this, a large heading reads 'Select your type of action to start submission'. Underneath, there are two paragraphs of text: 'To access the Electronic Submission Service, please click on the submission-button next to the type of action that correspond: topic, as these cannot be changed in the submission system. Upon confirmation, you will be linked to the correct entry point.' and 'To access existing draft proposals for this topic, please login to the Funding & Tenders Portal and select the My Proposals pag'. At the bottom of this section, the text 'Type of Action: EPLUS2020 Action Grant [ EPLUS2020-AG]' is displayed, with a red arrow pointing to a yellow button labeled 'Start SUBMISSION'.



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# Questions from participants



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# Experiences from the first round of applications

- Analysis on the approved alliances. Are there some similarities on the goals or structure of the approved alliances?
- Among the applicants of the first call, where there some ideas / strategies that were either over- or underrepresented? Are some ideas still missing?
- Do the universities of applied sciences have a real chance to get funding?
- How deep cooperation do the approved EUN alliances have at the management level? Practical examples of what activities are expected to be streamlined within the alliance?

# Changes for the Second Call

- What are the differences between the first and the second call?
- Are some themes emphasized in the second call? Or will some themes of the first call be deprioritized in the second call?
- What does geographical balance actually mean? Do all the alliances have to have partners in all parts of Europe?
- Is it possible / allowed for a HEI to take part in several alliances? How can we motivate this in the application so that it wouldn't automatically be rejected?
- What are the assessment criteria? Are there some changes to the first call in the criteria?

# Mobility and students

- With which measures are the EUN alliances planning to increase mobility within the alliance?
- Are the members of the alliance planning to sign Erasmus+ inter-institutional agreements at the institutional level and is this recommended?
- How are the students represented in the alliance and what kind of possibility do the students have to influence the decision making?

# Financial issues

- How much of their own funding do the Finnish universities put in the cooperation (staff resources and funds)?
- Is it possible for the alliance to take new members during the project duration and also take that into account in preparations of the budget when applying?
- How will the funding of the European University alliances be arranged in the future? In our opinion the EUN alliances could be funded through research funding and the Erasmus+ funding should be reserved to increase the inclusiveness of the programme.



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# Further information



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# Further Information

- Opetushallitus / EDUFI
- <https://www.oph.fi/fi/ohjelmat/eurooppalaiset-korkeakouluverkostot>
- European Commission
- [https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-education-area/european-universities-initiative\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-education-area/european-universities-initiative_en)
- European Universities in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide  
[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-2/european-universities\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/part-b/three-key-actions/key-action-2/european-universities_en)
- EACEA
- email: [\*\*EACEA-EUROPEAN-UNIVERSITIES@ec.europa.eu\*\*](mailto:EACEA-EUROPEAN-UNIVERSITIES@ec.europa.eu)
- [https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-2-european-universities\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/key-action-2-european-universities_en) (information for potential applicants, link to the online application portal)



# Erasmus+ Programme Guide

[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/introduction/how-to-read-programme-guide\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/programme-guide/introduction/how-to-read-programme-guide_en)

**PART A:** General information of the programme

**PART B:** Specific information about the actions

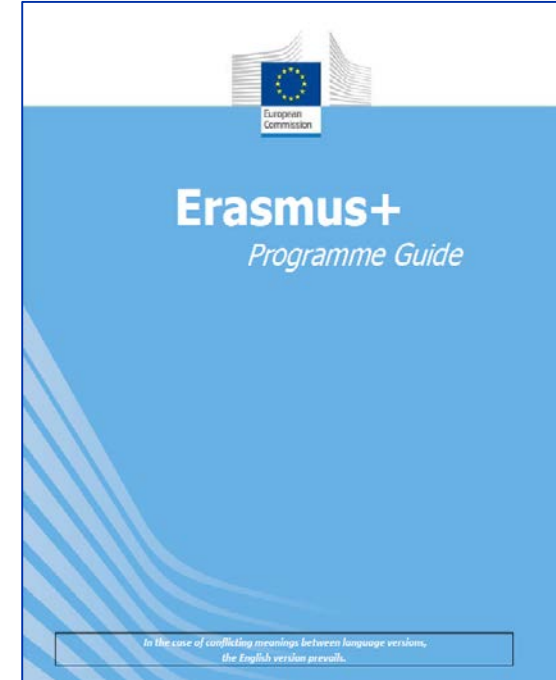
**PART C:** Detailed information on procedures for grant application and selection of projects as well as financial and administrative provisions

**Annex I:** Additional Rules and information relating to Actions

**Annex II:** Dissemination Guidelines for beneficiaries

**Annex III:** Glossary of the key terms

**Annex IV:** Useful references and contact details



# Recording and Materials of this Event

will be published on the following page in the EDUFI web service:

<https://www.oph.fi/fi/tapahtumat/2019/info-ja-keskustelutilaisuus-erasmus-eurooppalaisista-korkeakouluverkostoista>



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