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TEACHER ACADEMIES

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The **European Education Area** ⁽¹⁾ is a broad initiative of the European Commission to help all learners in Europe develop their skills throughout their lives, study abroad and get their learning recognised. An entire dimension of the European Education Area is dedicated to enhancing teachers' and trainers' education and professional development. The new **Erasmus+ programme** (2021–2027) will contribute to achieving this goal by supporting projects with a wide range of opportunities, including cooperation with peers and spending time abroad. The **Erasmus+ Teacher Academies** are a new initiative specifically designed to support teachers and trainers in their careers by fostering deeper cooperation in initial and continuing teacher education.

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See also:

https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources-and-tools/document-library/eea-communication-sept2020_en



What are THE ERASMUS+ TEACHER ACADEMIES?

The **Erasmus+ Teacher Academies** will bring together institutions that provide initial and continuous teacher education. They will work together to improve the quality of initial teacher education and the support to teachers in their early years in the profession. They will also reflect upon actions to keep teachers' professional competences up-to-date throughout their careers. This also includes opportunities to take part in professional networks and communities and in learning abroad. Public and private bodies responsible for teacher education or teacher associations will also be able to join.

As **Erasmus+ Teacher Academies**, they will collaborate in 3-year projects on:

- ~ developing innovative practices on common issues such as effective use of digital tools and online learning, education for a sustainable environment, gender sensitive teaching, teaching in multilingual classrooms and creating inclusive schools;
- ~ creating learning opportunities, such as joint courses or modules for teachers at all stages of their careers;
- ~ fostering learning mobility opportunities with a view to generating sustainable cooperation between teachers and teacher educators across borders and to help establish mobility as an integral part of teachers' initial and continuous learning.

Over time, these academies will contribute to teacher education policies at both European and national level and lead to long-lasting partnerships and cooperation between European teacher education providers.



Why join THE ERASMUS+ TEACHER ACADEMIES?

Through the **Erasmus+ Teacher Academies**, institutions (universities, teacher education colleges, course providers, etc.) will further develop their European dimension by organising and participating in cross-border learning mobility and activities such as joint summer courses, visits from students and teachers, and other cross-campus collaboration efforts.

Course participants (student teachers, teachers and school leaders) will benefit from professional learning opportunities that are quality assured, recognised and tailored to meet their needs. Participation will give them a European perspective on the teaching profession. Participants will be able to join professional networks and communities with a view to enriching their careers and enhancing their skills.



Want to know MORE?

The Erasmus+ Teacher Academies are part of the Erasmus+ programme Key Action 2, on partnerships for excellence, managed by the **Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency**.

For more detailed information on the objectives, eligibility and award criteria, deadlines and funding modalities, please consult the yearly **Erasmus+ Programme Guide** available on the **Erasmus+ Europa website**.





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