KA2
CAPACITY BUILDING
IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Supporting the modernization, societal impact, accessibility, innovation, governance, regional integration of Higher Education Institutions in third countries
**TARGET**

Higher Education Institutions in several non-EU regions:

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<td>Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine*, Syria, Tunisia</td>
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Budget for Sub-Saharan African and Western Balkans countries has been significantly increased.
HORIZONTAL PRIORITIES

- Environmental sustainability
- Inclusion and diversity
- Digital transformation
- Civic engagement and participation
- Growth and jobs (foundational skills, soft skills, STEAM, education and employability)
PRIORITIES

Overarching priorities

- Green deal
- Digital transformation
- Migration and Mobility
- Governance, peace, security and human development
- Sustainable growth and jobs

Priorities: overarching & per Region (for Strand 1 and 2)

Applicants define the priorities they are addressing in Part C of the application form

- **EU Neighbouring Regions – Regions 1 to 4**
  - Western Balkans, Neighbourhood East, South-Mediterranean countries, Russian Federation
  - One of the overarching priorities of the European Union (*one choice only*)
  - One of the sub-priorities related to the overarching priority chosen (*one choice only*)
  - **Exception:** no sub-priorities for Region 4 - Russian Federation

- **International Partnership Regions – Regions 5 to 11**
  - Asia, Central Asia, Middle East, Pacific, Sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America, Caribbean
  - One of the overarching priorities of the European Union (*one choice only*) as defined for each of those Regions
  - No sub-priorities defined for these Regions
3 TYPOLOGIES OF PROJECTS

- **STRAND 1: Fostering access to cooperation**
  - **Target:** newcomer HEIs, HEIs working with individuals with fewer opportunities, HEIs located in remote areas
  - **Duration:** 24 or 36 months
  - **Budget:** between 200.000 and 400.000 EURO

- **STRAND 2: Partnerships for transformation**
  - **Target:** all Higher Education Institutions; focus on the involvement of private sector/business
  - **Duration:** 24 or 36 months
  - **Budget:** between 400.000 and 800.000 EURO

- **STRAND 3: Structural reform projects**
  - **Target:** Higher Education Institutions and Ministries of Higher Education
  - **Duration:** 36 or 48 months
  - **Budget:** between 800.000 and 1.000.000 EURO
STRAND 1 Fostering access to cooperation, main activities

ENHANCING MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATIVE CAPACITY
- Reforming and modernising university governance
- Establishing/strengthening International Relation Offices
- Establishing/strengthening quality assurance units/processes/strategy
- Strengthening capacity of planning/creating evaluation units
- Support students and staff mobility activities

ENSURE HIGH QUALITY AND RELEVANT EDUCATION
- New modules/study programmes
- Design of intensive study programmes
- Promoting postgraduate students and staff mobility
- Developing training courses for HEI staff

INCREASING ACCESSIBILITY OF STUDENTS/STAFF WITH FEWER OPPORTUNITIES
- Developing remote and inclusive learning pathways in favour of vulnerable students and students with disabilities
- Promoting initiatives aimed at empowering women and ethnic/religious minorities
- Develop initiatives to create inclusive environments, fostering equity and equality
STRAND 2 Partnership for transformation: main activities

INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS
- Establishment of new governance and management systems/structures
- Fostering digital skills
- Modernization of university services
- Strengthening quality assurance processes
- Fostering professional development of academic, technical and administrative staff

ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS AND MINDSET
- Promotion of entrepreneurship education and practical application of entrepreneurial skills
- Creation of specific Hubs/Centres within the HEIs

FOCUS ON INNOVATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION
- Design of innovative curricula
- Innovative learning and teaching methods (i.e. learner-centred and real problem-based teaching)
- Organization of educational programmes and activities with and within enterprises
- Network effectively on the international scene on scientific and technological innovation
STRAND 3 Structural reforms: main activities

- Foster national ownership by experimenting and mainstreaming positive and best practices in Higher Education at national and/or regional level

- Increase the capacities of HEIs of third countries not associated to the Erasmus + programme, bodies in charge of higher education and competent authorities (notably Ministries) through their participation in the definition, implementation and monitoring of reform processes to modernise their higher education systems, particularly in terms of governance and financing;

- Contribute to efficient and effective policy making in the field of higher education by involving other stakeholders in the Higher Education field (public authorities, VET providers, etc)
PARTNERSHIP COMPOSITION

- Applicant: any eligible Programme of Partner country Higher Education Institution (except Syrian and Russian HIEs)
- Open to any public and private organizations in Programme & Partner countries
- Minimum 1 HEI from 2 Programme countries
- Minimum 2 HEIs from at least 1 Partner country
- Number of organizations from Programme countries ≤ number of organizations from Partner countries
- For Western Balkans, Russia, Latin America and Caribbean only allowed multi-country projects (at least 2 countries from these regions)
- For Structural projects: Ministries of Higher Education in third countries must be included
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At application stage, a detailed estimation of costs and split of the lump sum per Work Package and per beneficiary is requested.

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- The grant will be transferred once each WP is completed.
- Co-financing principle: EU grant will cover maximum 90% of the total cost.
- Simplification of project management: no more financial reports, only assessment of project results and deliverables.
DEADLINE AND APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Deadline for application: 17th February 2023
- Application through [EU Funding&Tender portal](#) with an EU login account
- Make sure that all partners have a valid PIC number!
THANK YOU!