

Swiss funding within the framework of the Swiss Programme for Erasmus+

Strategic Partnerships in the field of school education

Applying as Associated Partner

Starting position	<p>Swiss applicants can engage in a Strategic Partnership as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. official partners, i.e. within the framework of Erasmus+2. associated partners within the framework of the Swiss Programme for Erasmus+ (as described below). <p>Switzerland has a Third Country status in the Erasmus+ scheme. Therefore, Swiss applicants can only participate as official partner under the condition of providing an essential benefit to the project.</p>
Who can apply?	<p>Schools, universities of teacher education or organisations with an interest and experience in the field of school education</p>
Funding objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Quality improvement and innovation excellence of teaching and learning– Strengthening of international collaboration in the field of school education– Exchange of experience and know-how– Strengthening of cooperation between universities of teacher education and schools
Eligible project types	<p>Two kinds of Strategic Partnerships are supported:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Strategic Partnerships supporting exchange of good practice<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Allow institutions to expand their international network through cooperation.2. Strategic Partnerships supporting innovation<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Offer the chance to develop, test and transfer innovative products or methods.+ <i>Specific funding for Intellectual outputs and Multiplier events</i>
Conditions of Swiss participation as associated partner	<p>Synchronous preparation and submission of the EU application and of the CH application to apply for funding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The coordinating European partner applies to the national agency of the country in which it is based. The participation of the Swiss institution must be mentioned in the EU application, with a clear description of its role and activities.<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Swiss institutions take part as associated partners, if the project has passed the evaluation of the competent national agency.– The Swiss institution cannot be the coordinator of a project.– In addition to the Swiss institution, at least 3 additional institutions based in 3 programme countries must partner for the project.

2. The Swiss application is submitted to Movetia. It must include
 - a) a clear description of the contribution of the Swiss partner to the project and
 - b) a detailed explanation of the extent to which the Swiss involvement makes a contribution to achieving the education policy objectives of the Confederation and cantons.
 - The Swiss budget must be proportional and coherent with the budget of the other project partners.
 - The terms of conditions regarding implementation of the project are laid down in a funding agreement with Movetia.
 - Swiss partner institutions can apply for financial support for the participation of the foreign partner institution's staff in project meetings held in Switzerland.

Eligible project costs

Project management and implementation

Activities with the purpose of implementing the project such as tasks related to administration, coordination and communication.

Project meetings in countries of project partners and in Switzerland

- Participation of the staff of the Swiss partner in transnational project meetings in programme countries.
- Participation of partner organizations in transnational project meetings held in Switzerland.

Intellectual outputs

Time invested in the development of expert output that is produced in the frame of the project.

Multiplier events

Organization of events to disseminate concrete project results.

Short-term joint staff training events

Support for the participation of the Swiss partner's staff in seminars or activities to test the practical application of the results of the work (intellectual outputs) in partner countries.

Special needs

People with a disability who take part in the project activities and meetings are supported with additional funds.

Duration

1 – 3 years

Deadline for submission to Movetia

One week after the European deadline (details on the Movetia website)

Further information

Erasmus+ Programme Guide (p. 10 – 126)
movetia.ch/en/coop-se

Preparatory visits

Enable staff from institutions working in the field of school education to prepare for cooperative projects.

Standard allowances for travel costs (400 CHF) and subsistence (costs of stay) (400 CHF).

The complete documents must be submitted to Movetia at least one month before the start of the preparatory visit and by 1st December 2020 at the latest. (movetia.ch/en/preparatory-visits)

The preparatory visit should be carried out before the project proposal of the European applicant is submitted.
