

EU Funding for Switzerland as Partner Country within Erasmus+

## Strategic Partnerships in the field of school education

### Applying as Official Partner

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Starting position	<p>Swiss applicants have two possible ways of participating in a Strategic Partnership:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>as official partners</b>, i.e. within the framework of Erasmus+ (as described below)</li><li>2. as associated partners within the framework of the Swiss Programme for Erasmus+</li></ol> <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>School, 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"><li>– Quality improvement and innovation excellence of teaching and learning</li><li>– Strengthening of international collaboration in the field of school education</li><li>– Exchange of experience and know-how</li><li>– Strengthening of cooperation between universities of teacher education and schools</li></ul>
Eligible project types	<p>Two kinds of Strategic Partnerships are supported:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Strategic Partnerships supporting exchange of good practice<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Allow institutions to expand their international network through cooperation.</li></ul></li><li>2. Strategic Partnerships supporting innovation<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Offer the chance to develop, test and transfer innovative products or methods.</li></ul><p>+ <i>Specific funding for Intellectual outputs and Multiplier events</i></p></li></ol>
Conditions of Swiss participation as official partner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– The coordinating European partner applies to the national agency of the country in it is based.</li><li>– The participation of the Swiss institution must be mentioned in the EU application, with a clear description of its role and activities.</li><li>– In the Swiss part of the application, the added value that the Swiss participation generates for the project must be explained in concise detail. If the evaluators are not convinced of the added value, an application is rejected as a whole.</li><li>– The Swiss institution cannot take on a leading function.</li></ul>

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- In addition to the Swiss institution, at least 3 further institutions based in 3 programme countries must partner for the project.
- There is no possibility of complementary or additional funding through the Swiss Programme for Erasmus+ (Federal funds).

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#### 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**

Participation in transnational project meetings to plan the course and progress of the project with the partner institutions.

##### **Intellectual outputs**

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

##### **Multiplier events**

The dissemination of concrete project results (intellectual outputs) to an expert public or to other appropriate stakeholders in Switzerland.

##### **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 output) in partner countries.

##### **Special needs**

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

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#### Duration

1 – 3 years

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#### EU submission deadline

21<sup>st</sup> March 2018

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#### Further information

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

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#### 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 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 at the latest. ([movetia.ch/en/preparatory-visits](http://movetia.ch/en/preparatory-visits))

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

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