



Call for projects
ERUA Travelling
Seminars
2022-2023

The ERUA (European Reform University Alliance) is launching its second call for “Travelling seminars”.

Introduction

ERUA brings together 5 pioneer European universities: the universities of Konstanz (Germany), of Roskilde (Denmark), of Paris 8 (France), of the Aegean (Greece) and the New Bulgarian University (Sofia, Bulgaria). Our consortium, co-funded by the European Commission under the second Erasmus+ EUI call for projects, was launched on November 1, 2020.

Our mission is to address the actual world challenges by bringing together students and academics from diverse areas of Europe and from all socio-economic backgrounds to contribute to reshaping a more just, open and inclusive society.

To operate such changes, ERUA promotes experimental approaches to re-imagine the role of Higher Education. This call for projects of travelling seminars has the ambition to be one of our most innovative forms of learning.

For more information about ERUA: <https://erua-eui.eu/>

What do we call travelling seminars?

ERUA’s travelling seminars are experience-based learning formats that promote mobility and learning-by-doing approaches. This mobility format is inspired by the model implemented for several years at the University of Paris 8 and called the Bonus Qualité Mobilité Internationale (BQMI), which finances the mobility of one or more teaching staff accompanied by a group of students, as part of a field study abroad.

Within the framework of ERUA, the travelling seminars call is thus intended to finance the mobility of around thirty students per partner university (3 groups of 10 students) every year to participate in project-based seminars. In additions, this format will enable us to involve students in the co-design of an innovative pedagogical approach, as well as to experience civic engagement.

Objectives & priorities

The ERUA call for “Travelling seminars” is launched once a year during a three-year period. Each year 15 projects will be selected (3 per university) and each project will constitute a group of 10 students maximum and the teaching staff. Thus, our objective is to give an opportunity to 150 students- to benefit from this initiative per academic year.

The idea of the travelling seminars is to connect the universities of the alliance and to encourage the projects that aim at different types of cooperation (co-teaching, visits to other campuses, field studies, etc.), as well as to develop the project-based mobilities.

Eligibility criteria

This call is open to academics from our 5 universities to design one project-based course in accordance with their ambitions, ideas and the flagship pedagogical and research areas of members universities.

The travelling seminars are short-term mobilities that take place at the location of one of the other partner universities. If not, they should at least include a co-teaching system or any other configuration bringing together students and/or teaching staff of at least two member universities.

The travelling seminars can cover all topics. It should be beneficial to your personal, your students', your own university's and the host university's internationalisation profile.

Framework

Eligible applicants	All teaching staff from ERUA's partner universities.
Content	Open
Disciplines opened	All study fields
Duration	From 3 days to 2 weeks (+2 travel days) The course can include preparatory work and assignments.
Format	On-site or blended
Number of students per group	Approximately 10 (please consider the local conditions)
Languages	Preferably English but all languages of the alliance are accepted
Period in the year	Open during the academic year 2022-2023
Education level	Open to Bachelor, Master and PhD students
Housing students	If there is a possibility for providing accommodation to the students, it should be described in the description of the project. Also, please consider the budget available if needed.

Selection criteria

Each university will select what they consider the 3 most interesting and innovative projects among all submitted projects. The projects which will plan co-teaching sessions or visits to other universities are much encouraged.

Projects' selection will be based on the following evaluation criteria:

- Relevance to ERUA's objectives and mission
- Innovative features of the project
- Quality of the project structure and organisation
- Expected impact on the participants

Budget

The ERUA funding will cover the participating students' travel and accommodation expenses according to each university's internal rules. Please refer to your university's contact person (below) for more information.

The teaching staff's expenses will be financed through the already existing Erasmus+ Teaching Mobility.

Procedure for the submission of projects:

Please refer to your university's contact person for information on the internal procedure and required documents:

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