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Erasmus+ Networking Seminar - Jordan

Venue: Hilton Hotel, Dead Sea, Jordan

24-25 October 2022

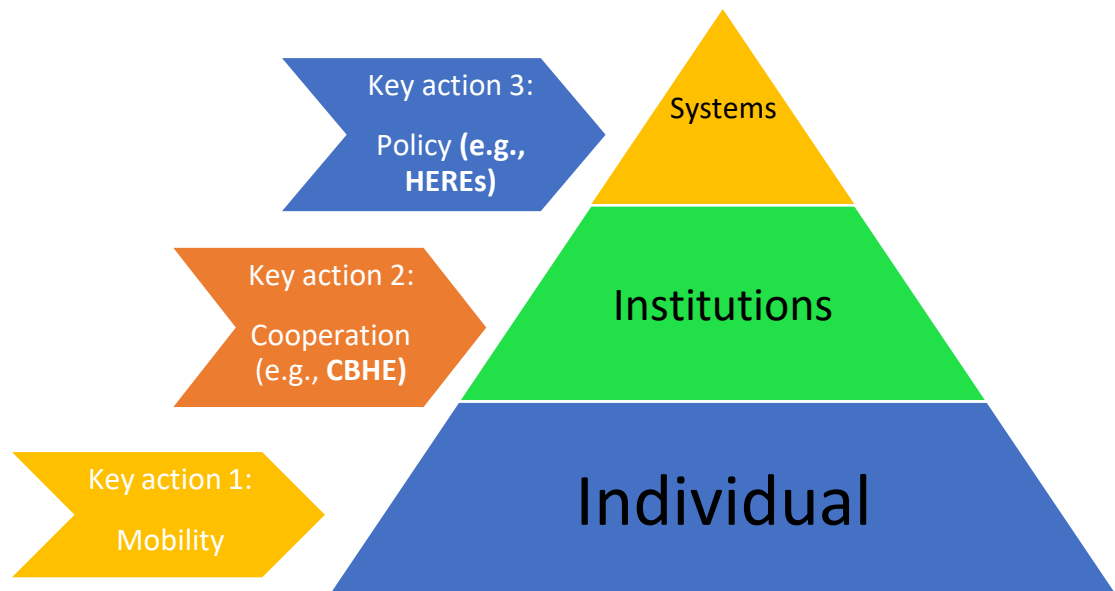
What is Erasmus+?

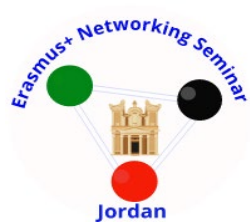
Erasmus+ is the European Union (EU) programme for education, training, youth and sport. Erasmus+ funds academic and youth mobility and cooperation projects that involve partners from EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program on one hand and other countries throughout the world on the other hand. There are 27 EU Member States plus six other countries, namely Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Republic of North Macedonia, Serbia and Turkey that are associated with the Programme.

The new phase of Erasmus+ (2021-2027) will support the priorities set out in the European Education Area, the Digital Education Action Plan and the European Skills Agenda. Additionally, it will help realize the European Pillar of Social Rights, implement the EU Youth Strategy 2019-2027, and develop the European dimension in sport. Further, the Erasmus+ funded projects will focus on social inclusion, green and digital transformation, and young people's civic participation. Erasmus+ supports activities that are closely matched with the EU's priorities for cooperation policy with other regions.

The general objective of the Programme is to support the educational, professional and personal development of people in education, training, youth and sport, in Europe and beyond, thereby contributing to sustainable growth, quality jobs and social cohesion, to driving innovation, and to strengthening active citizenship.

The program different actions target beneficiaries at three levels: individual, institution and system level.





Jordan in Erasmus+ Programme

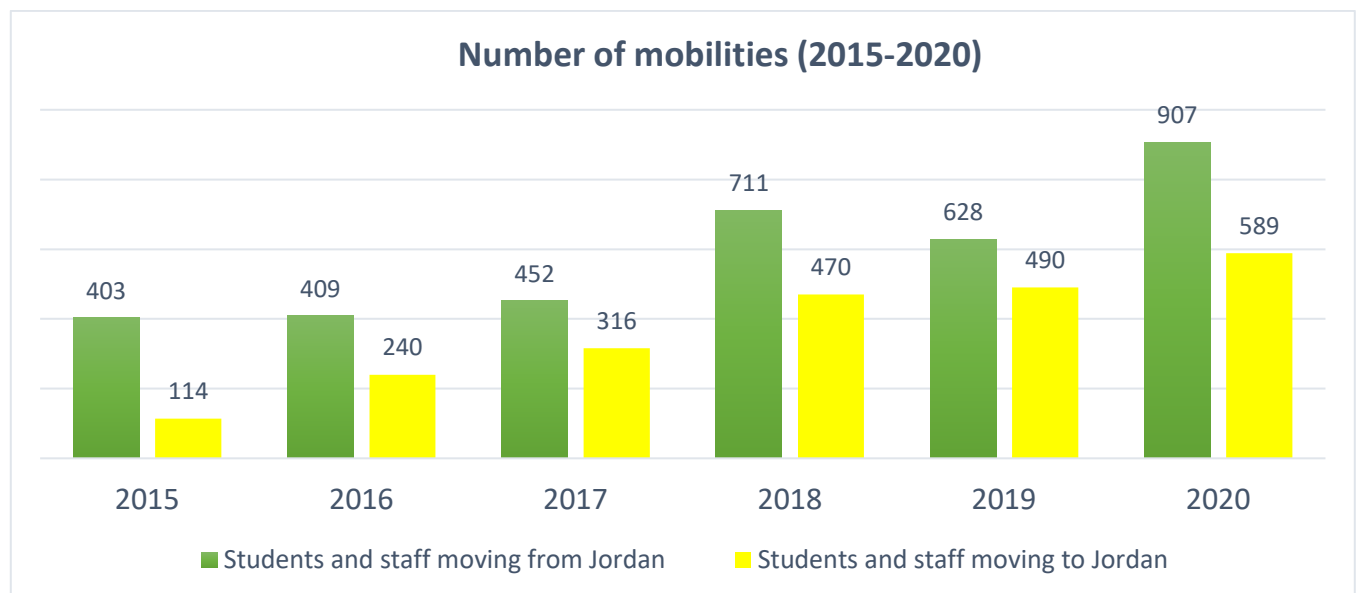
Jordan participated in the Erasmus+ program and its predecessor since 2002. More than 107 cooperation projects were funded, and close to 6000 students and staff benefited from the mobility scheme.

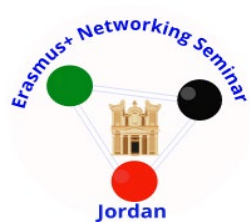
International Credit Mobility (ICM)

For over 30 years, students and staff have moved between European universities in the Erasmus programme. **Since 2015**, Erasmus+ has also allowed short-term mobility to Europe from other parts of the world for students, researchers, and staff. This two-way mobility allows students to study in a foreign university for 3-12 months and obtain credits that are then recognized at the sending institution as part of their degree. A grant for staff mobility is also possible for 5-60 days. There are distinct budgets for different regions of the world that are divided between all EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program.

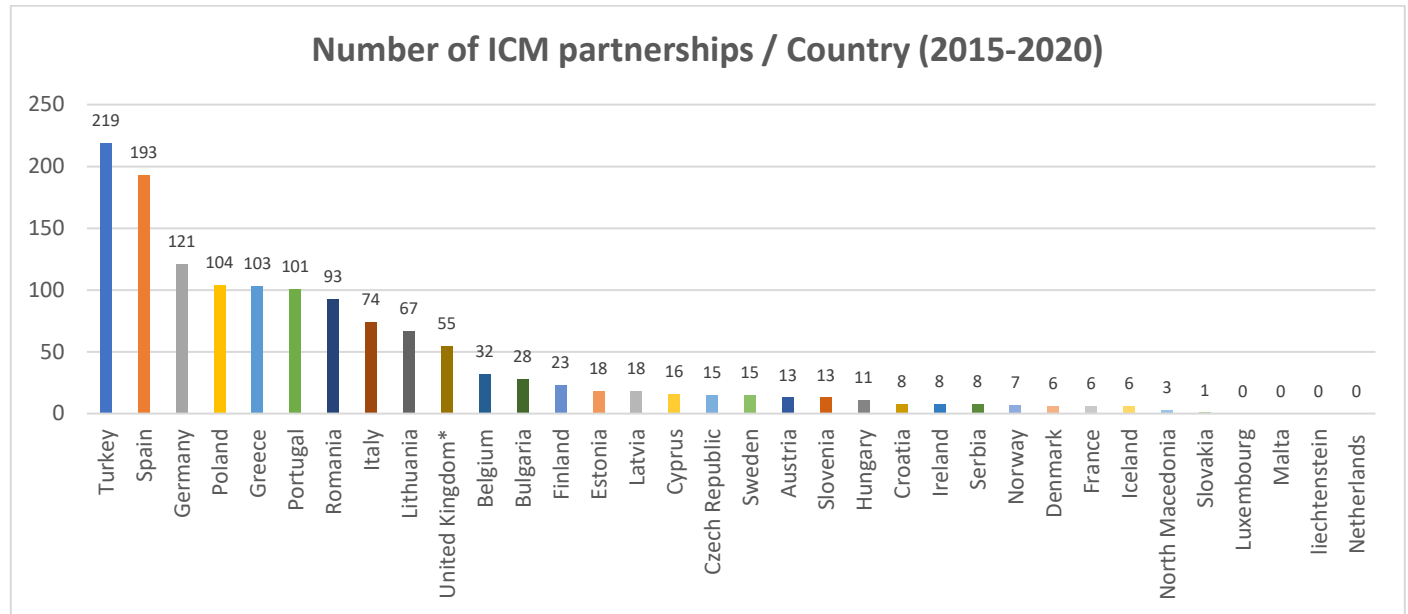
Institutions from EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program make up bilateral partnerships with universities from Southern Mediterranean countries and apply on behalf of their partners.

Since 2015, ICM enabled more than 5700 student and staff to mobilize from and to Jordan, as shown in the figure below





Jordanian Higher Education Institutions managed to establish relations with hundreds of HEIs in 30 countries.



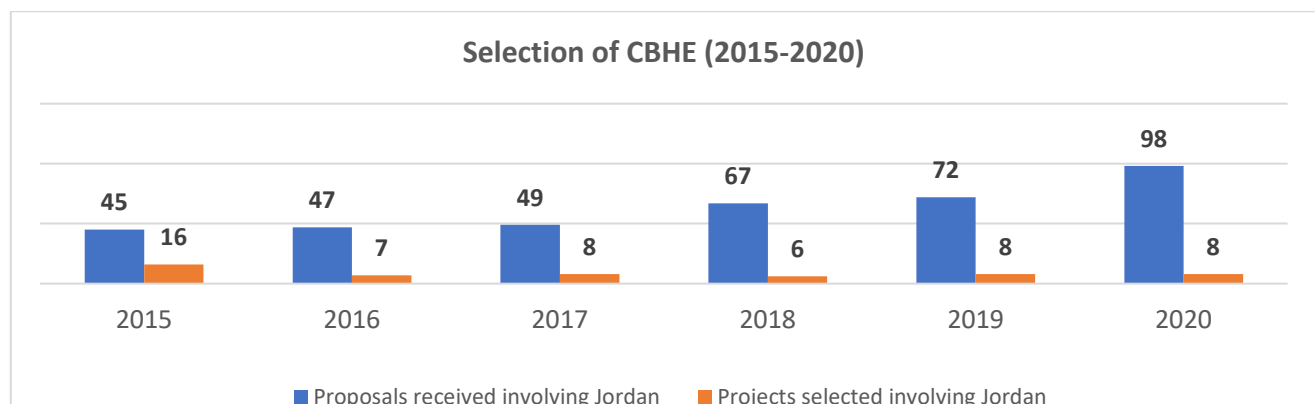
Jordan in Capacity Building in Higher Education

Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE) action projects, which last from two to three years, are aimed at modernizing and reforming higher education institutions, developing new curricula, improving governance, and building relationships between higher education institutions and enterprises. They can also tackle policy topics and issues, preparing the ground for higher education reform, in cooperation with national authorities.

Capacity building projects can be addressed to a group of countries or a single country. They can also be cross-regional, including institutions from different partner regions.

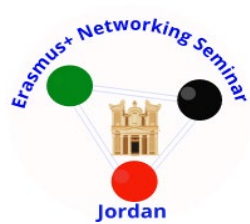
Erasmus+ has funded **53 CBHE projects** in Jordan. Jordanian HEIs act as **Grant Holder for 16 projects**. Erasmus+ enabled Jordanians to prepare better projects, and to manage these projects effectively.

The National Erasmus+ Office in Jordan has dedicated its efforts to improve CBHE projects for Jordanian HEIs through information days, seminars conducted especially to CBHE, and practical workshops on “How to prepare good project proposals”. As a result, and under the fourth and fifth calls for CBHE, Jordanian institutions have confirmed their strong interest in this action making Jordan one of the most active countries in the South Mediterranean region and the most active country in the world in the last call 2020 with 98 project proposals submitted.

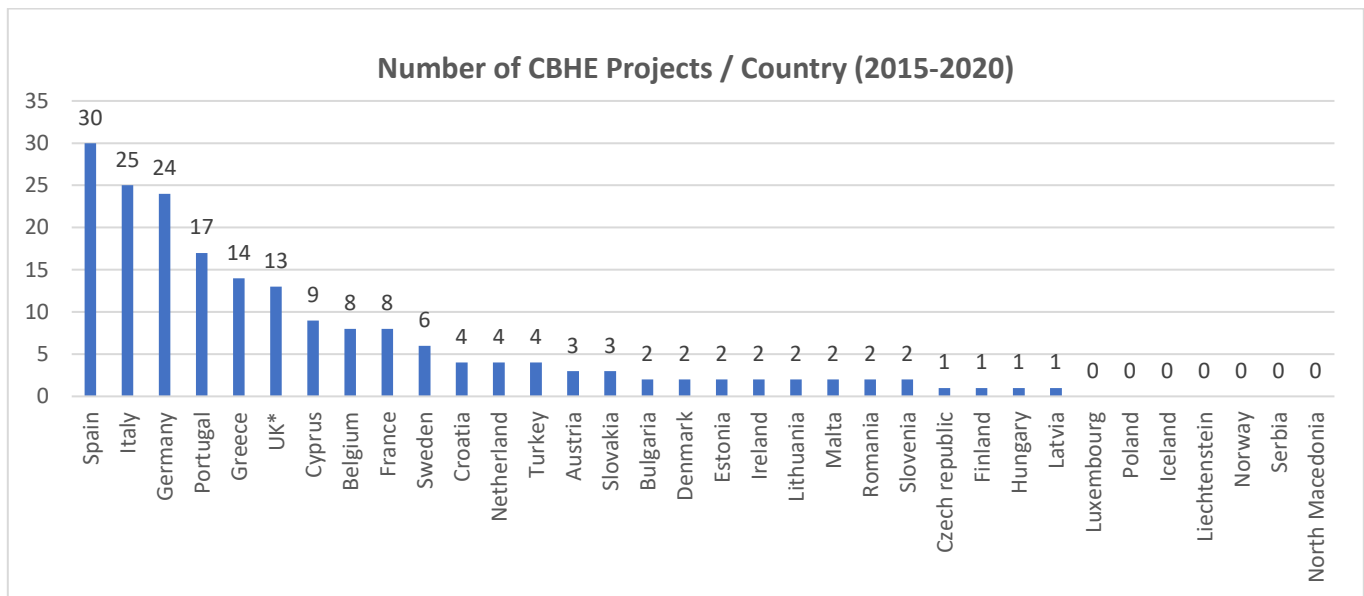


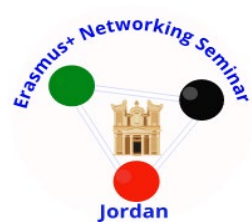


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CBHE projects enabled JO HEIs to collaborate with their counter partners from 27 EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program.





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The Erasmus+ phase II has expanded its international dimension by allowing Third Countries not Associated to the Program (such as Jordan) to participate in different actions, in addition to the International Credit Mobility (ICM) and Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE). In particular, Jordan is now allowed to participate in the following actions:

Key action 1 – Learning Mobility of individuals:

- Mobility project for higher education with partner countries (“ICM”)
- Mobility for learners and staff in Vocational Education and Training (VET)
- Mobility of young people ‘Youth exchanges’
- Mobility projects for Youth workers
- Youth participation activities
- Virtual exchanges in higher education and youth

Key action 2 - Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices:

- Erasmus Mundus Actions
- Capacity-building in the field of higher education (CBHE)
- Capacity-building in the field of Vocational Education and Training (CBVET)
- Capacity-building in the field of Youth (CBY)

Wider Objective:

The seminar aims at enhancing the cooperation between Jordan and EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Erasmus+ Program under different actions of Erasmus+, through organizing a networking event that enables staff from Jordan and these countries to interact, exchange information, and share best practices as well as challenges.

Specific Objectives:

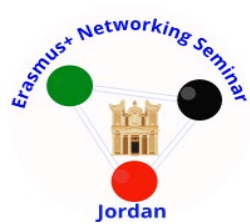
1. To establish links between Jordan and Erasmus+ EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program.
2. To provide a venue for face-to-face contacts between Jordanian institutions and their counter partners from EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program (Higher Education Institutions, VET and Youth Institutions).
3. To increase the awareness about HE, VET and Youth strategies between participating countries.
4. To promote university-enterprise cooperation in cooperation projects and encourage the involvement of non-education stakeholders.

Participants:

1. National Agencies in EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program, with special attention to the countries with little or no participation with Jordan.
2. Interested HEIs from EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program, and in particular representatives of the Offices for International Relations, to be nominated by the National Agencies.
3. HEIs from Jordan, such as Vice-Presidents, Deans of relevant schools, Directors and selected staff from the Offices of International Relations, and highly interested academicians.
4. Vocational Education and Training Agencies from Jordan and EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program.



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5. Youth Organizations from Jordan and EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program.
6. Representative(s) from the EU Delegation in Amman, and Cultural Attaches (education officers) in Jordan of interested EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program.

Exhibitions:

All participating institutions from EU member states and Third Countries Associated to the program will be offered a booth where they will get the opportunity to disseminate their institutions.

Registration:

The registration site is now open through one of the following link:

<https://forms.gle/CUSPV2LBrBJH95pN9>

Or by scanning the QR code



Registration fees:

In order to cover the cost of venue, coffee breaks and lunch for two days and a reception in the evening of the first day, participants will have to pay registration fees. The fees are as follows:

- For participants from Jordan: 100 JOD/participant.
- For participants from EU Member States or Third Countries Associated to the Programme: 125 Euros/participant.

Registration will close on 15th September 2022. You are kindly requested to register before the deadline.

Payment methods:

1. Bank transfer:
 - Bank Name: Arab Bank
 - Account Holder: National Tempus Office - Jordan
 - Swift: ARABJOAX138
 - For **Euro** Currency:
Account Number: 0138/506976-9/530
IBAN: JO84 ARAB 1380 0000 0013 8506 9765 30
 - For **JOD** Currency:
Account Number: 0138/506976-9/500
IBAN: JO21 ARAB 1380 0000 0013 8506 9765 00
2. Check payable to the National Tempus Office – Jordan.

Accommodation:

We have negotiated special rates with the hotel and booked a block of rooms for participants. However, these rooms and **rates are valid until 1st September 2022**. The unused rooms will be released after this date, and participants will have to book at the normal hotel rates.

To book the accommodation, please use the link that will be provided at the Seminar webpage.



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Seminar web page:

<https://sway.office.com/FD76ChHtm27E6JMX?ref=Link>

Please consult this page regularly for updates.



Trip to Petra, 23 October 2022

A Trip to [Petra \(one of the seventh wonders of the world\)](#) will be organized on Sunday 23 October 2022 to interested participants.

Fees: 60 Euros per participant. The fees cover transportation from hotel to Petra and return, water and snack at the bus, and lunch at a restaurant in Petra. Please note that this fee does not include the entrance fees to Petra. Information on Petra entrance fees and possible options will be provided at the Seminar webpage.

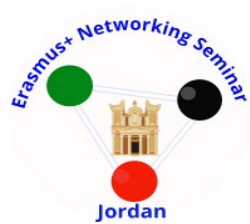
Registration to the trip will be available on the event registration form.

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Tentative Agenda

Sunday, 23 October: Trip to Petra (7:30 am - 18:00 pm) – optional

Day 1	Monday 24 October 2022
09:00 – 10:00	Registration to the event and welcome coffee
10:00 – 10:45	<u>Opening Ceremony</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome, NEO Jordan Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research Representative, Jordan EU Delegation Representative Vocational Education and Training Sector Representative, Jordan Ministry of Youth Representative, Jordan Directorate-General-EAC: Education, Youth, Sport and Culture / European Education and Culture Executive Agency Representative
10:45 – 11:30	Group Photo Coffee break and networking
11:30 – 12:30	Plenary Session 1: Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact of Erasmus+ in Jordan, NEO Jordan Results of the first Calls in CBHE, CBVET, CBY, and possible areas where to increase the cooperation, EACEA (tbc) Erasmus+ International Dimension: Actions open for Jordan & overarching priorities, EAC (tbc) Q&A
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch and networking
13:30 – 15:00	Plenary Session 2: Presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priorities of the Erasmus+ Program in the Jordanian Context: Achieve optimal synergies (NHRD, Torino Process, NYS, etc.) Jordan VET Strategy Vocational Education and Training in the EU: Prospects for Cooperation with Jordan Jordan Youth Strategy EU Youth Strategy: Prospects for Cooperation with Jordan <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Rapporteur:</p>
15:00 – 17:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Coffee break</i> <i>Exhibition for the institutions / organizations from EU Member States and Third Countries Associated to the Program</i>
19:00 – 21:00	Dinner / Reception and networking



Day 2	Tuesday 25 October 2022
9:00 – 10:00	Registration to the event and welcome coffee
10:00 – 12:00	<p>Parallel sessions: A look at the Jordanian and European HE, Youth and VET sectors, sharing thoughts and project ideas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Room 1: Cooperation in Higher Education Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research and HEIs in Jordan and Selected National Agencies and HEIs from the EU and Third Countries Associated to the Programme <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Rapporteur:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Room 2: Cooperation in VET Technical and Vocational Skills Development Commission and other relevant organizations in Jordan and ETF, Vocational Organizations from the EU and Third Countries Associated to the Programme <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Rapporteur:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Room 3: Cooperation in Youth Ministry of Youth in Jordan and relevant Youth organizations from the EU and Third Countries Associated to the Programme <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Rapporteur:</p>
12:00-12:30	Coffee break and networking
12:30 – 13:30	<p>Plenary Session 3: Presentations and Closing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summary of the three panel discussions by Rapporteurs and recommendations for future cooperation Q & A and open discussion Evaluation of the Seminar and closing
13:30 - 14:30	Lunch and networking