

Dudley College  
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Management Meeting

Strategic Planning

WHAT ABOUT THE 2020 HORIZON?

- InnMain'aim and Erasmus+' **on the same track:**
- Transparency of the Educational systems within countries
- Same or similar methodology
- Quality
- Dissemination, sustainability
- So as to develop students & teachers' mobilities in the most efficient way
- & make our institutions attractive to students and companies
- Keeping in touch with companies & adapt to their needs

## So how to be granted the funds we need?

- By complying to their demands: ECTS, ...
- Building up Erasmus+ partnerships within our network
- Dissemination thanks to our websites (InnMain, Top Most, One2one as well as our institutions'), articles in the press, TV, ...

## The Erasmus+ programme & InnMain

- The new programme from the previous European ones, so for us:
- Leonardo da Vinci for vocational schools
- Erasmus for higher education institutions
- A single charter for an institution, yet different sectors, so 2 simplified applications each year if our institutions host those 2 levels of studies
- Each application for 18 months or 2 years

## Advantages/ drawbacks of the 2

- **18-month projects**
- Advantages?
- Drawbacks: Do not fit school years, nor cycles
- **2-year projects**
- Advantages:
- Can be developed with 2 different groups of students, so improved if necessary, comparisons
- Or accompany a 2-year course within institutions
- Drawbacks?

## Projects within our institutions

- Each year possibility to develop new partnerships, so new projects or just extension of a project to another institution.
- Letters of intent to be followed by the implementation of the projects. Importance of the quality commitment placements
- Cooperation about innovations & exchange of good practices
- Sharing the results to make them more efficient and long-lasting by linking support to formal, non-formal and informal learning throughout the education and training fields

## ECTS & Diploma Supplement Label Holders 2011 &2012

- Up to now awarded only to universities
- Our example: our appliance was rejected
- Savonia University of Applied Sciences awarded in 2011:
- Your experience?
- How to be awarded when we don't belong to a university?
- Yet it is compulsory to deliver students either document after a mobility.

## Activities supported in a strategic partnership:

- Activities that strengthen cooperation between organisations with in view to establishing exchanges of good practices
- Activities that promote the development, testing and/or implementation of good practices
- Activities that facilitate the recognition and validation of knowledge, skills and competences acquired through formal, informal and non-formal learning
- **Consequently all the activities we already implement or intend to implement.**

## When & how to apply?

- Each year, before a given date; this year it was April 30<sup>th</sup>
- For a duration of 2 to 3 years, according to the project
- To be started on September 1st of the same year.
- For details see Part C of the guide on how to apply
- “Certain mobility activities are supported in so far as they contribute to the objectives of the project.”
- Further information in the Erasmus+ programme guide from p 97 onward

## Multilingualism

- Another aspect appreciated in the programme
- English is our common language
- Our students master at least their mother tongue + hopefully English
- A linguistic support is available mainly online for students and teachers before a mobility. (Key Action 1)
- Under Key Action 2 (cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices) Strategic Partnerships in the area of language teaching and learning will be encouraged.
- Innovation and good practices aiming to promote language skills can include for example teaching and assessment methods, development of pedagogical material, research, computer assisted language learning and entrepreneurial ventures using foreign languages.
- Furthermore, funding for linguistic support can be provided when necessary to beneficiaries of Strategic Partnerships

## Recap

- 18 or 24-month projects
- Partnerships
- Sorting out internships: relations with enough companies
- The sending institutions to prepare chosen students before a mobility
- At the receiving institution somebody dedicated to providing accommodations and keeping in touch with students so as to make sure the placements' objectives are respected
- Validation, dissemination to ensure sustainability