



Erasmus+ Cooperation with Eastern Partnership countries

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International cooperation in
education and youth
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Objectives of the seminar

Increase **number and quality** of Erasmus+ applications

- ✓ 200 universities to network
- ✓ In particular for the new international credit mobility action
- ✓ Absorption issues

Organisation

- ✓ Networking sessions
- ✓ 3 workshops run by EC, NEOs and 20 NAs
- ✓ Tips to help you draft your applications
- ✓ How to build fruitful partnerships
- ✓ Focus on credit mobility, helpdesks during coffee breaks and networking sessions

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Positive impacts

Bottom up approach

Success of curriculum development, new fields of study (environment, renewable energies, biotechnologies...)

Modernised teaching methods and learning processes

In line with Bologna (ECTS, degree structure, learning outcomes...)

QA mechanisms and assessment methods

Structured training in soft skills as part of curricula

Closer relation with the world of work

To be improved

Impact at national level, link with national reforms, links with HEREs

"Pioneer efforts"

Risk of simple copy/pasting

Still resistance towards more student-centred approaches

Some difficulty to meet the demand (i.e. language problem)

Strong focus on hard sciences, not enough on social sciences (link with political priorities: democratisation, rule of law, fight against corruption, inter-cultural dialogue...)

Erasmus+ so far - 2

Positive impacts

*Improve **student services**
(tutoring, admin support,
transparent info on
programmes and degrees,
contacts with enterprises,
support to integration)*

To be improved

*Still too limited and not
always sustainable*

*Ministries offer little
guidance on student
services- Erasmus+ can
help elaborate
comprehensive strategies
to empower students*

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Positive impacts

University business cooperation, high variety of activities

Involvement of employers, civil society

To be improved

Need to check legal and financial constraints before applying

Need to improve communication with employers, job fairs, work placements, offer applies solutions to enterprises

Tracers studies to provide evidence

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Positive impacts

*Development of **internationalisation** strategies that go beyond mobility*

Erasmus+ offers large variety of options that can lead to other type of cooperation (research)

Staff mobility

Mobility in both directions

Individuals involved in projects move up the academic ladder

To be improved

Need for institutional strategies, support from management, not only individual approaches

More joint and double degrees

But rigid national legislations

Reward staff mobility

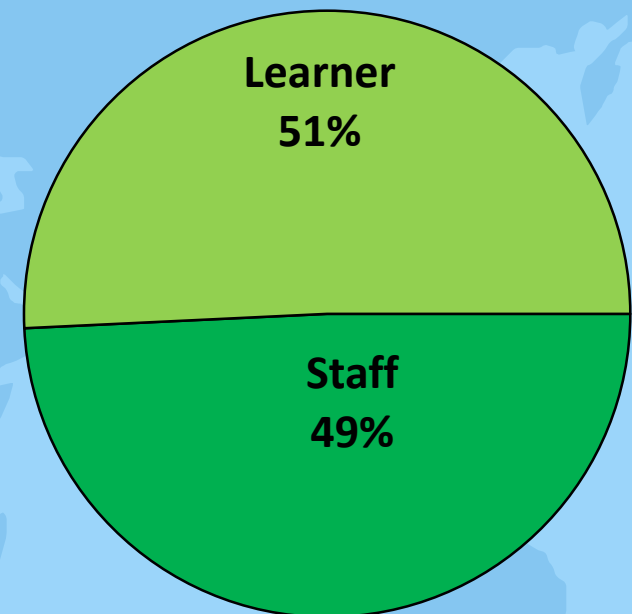
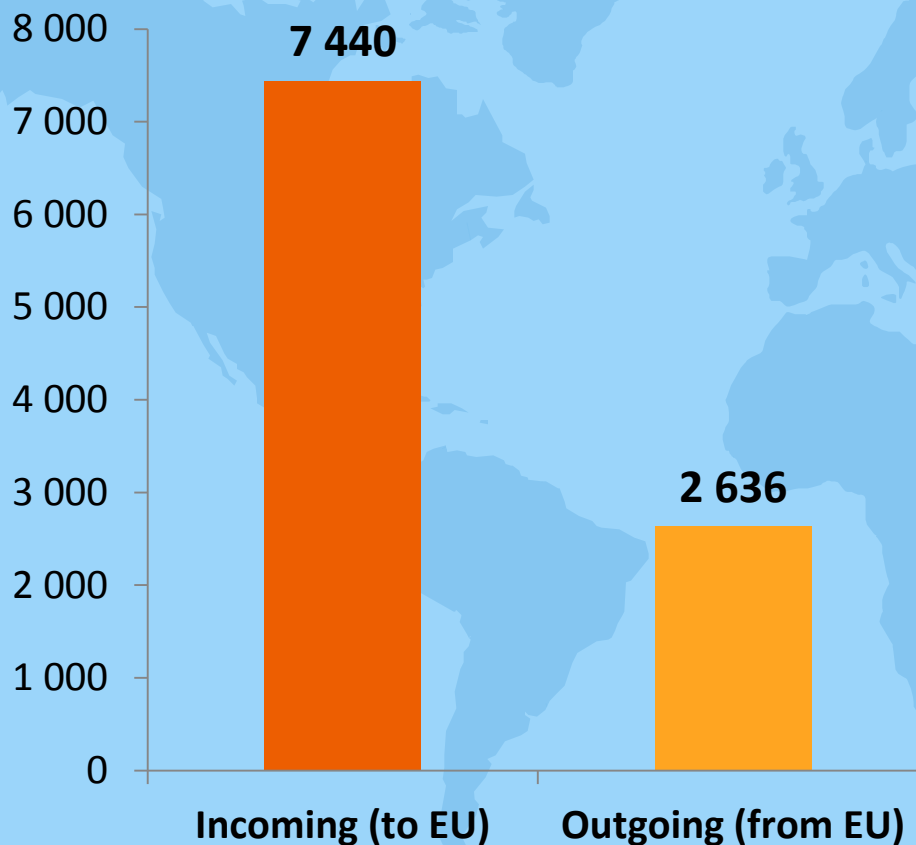
Internationalisation at home

Make education offer more attractive and visible, in EN



Erasmus+ **International Credit Mobility**

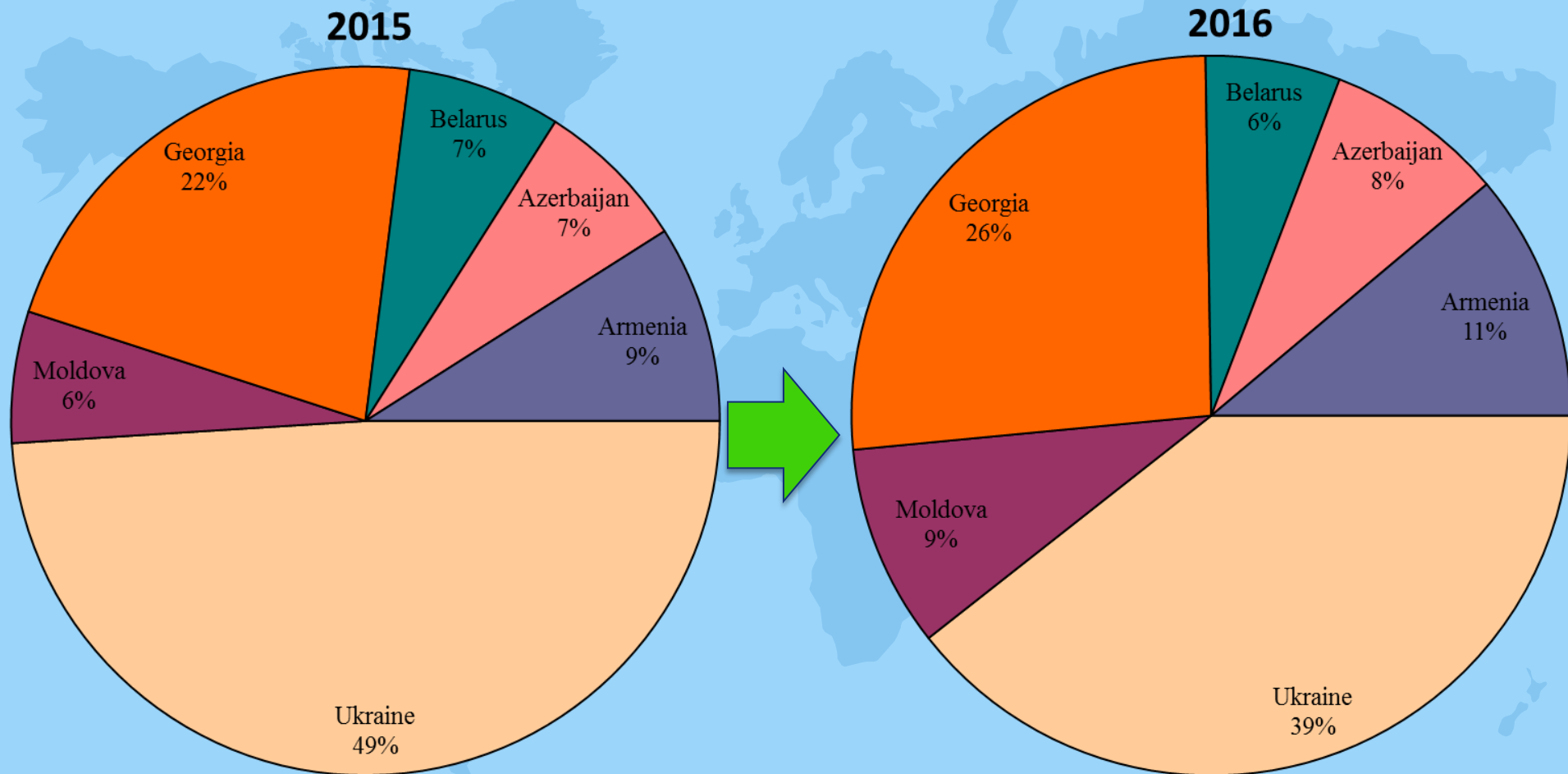
Over 10,000 mobilities funded with Eastern Partnership countries in 2 years



Where are participants from Eastern Partnership countries going to?



More balanced geographical coverage...



Implementation of ICM so far...

Best practice seen

- ✓ Fair & transparent selection
- ✓ Support to participants
(accommodation, languages, visa & insurance)
- ✓ Smooth recognition process

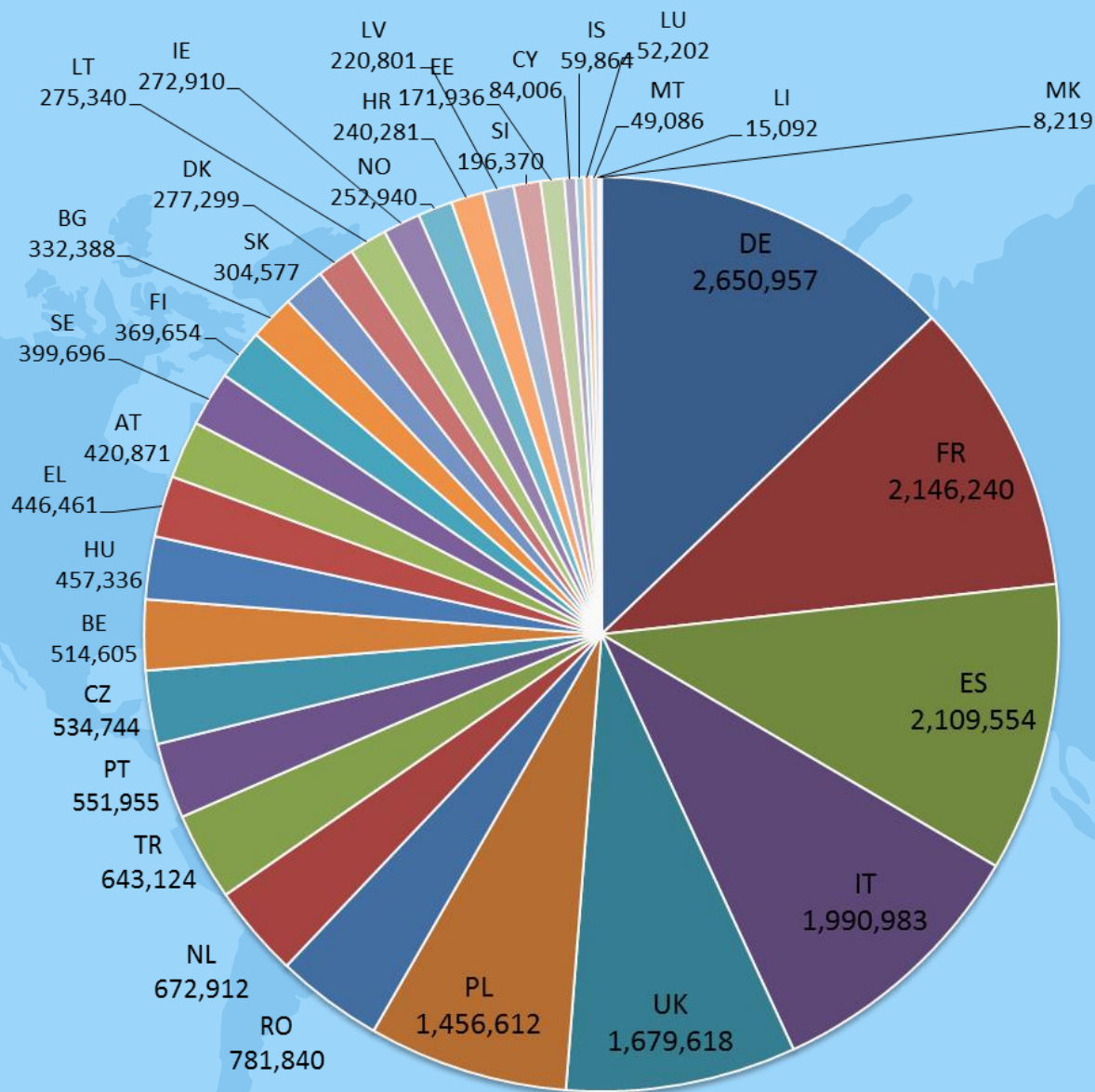
Challenges

- ✓ Poor communication between partners
- ✓ Lack of established management structures at Partner Country HEIs
- ✓ Insurance & visa issues
- ✓ Language skills

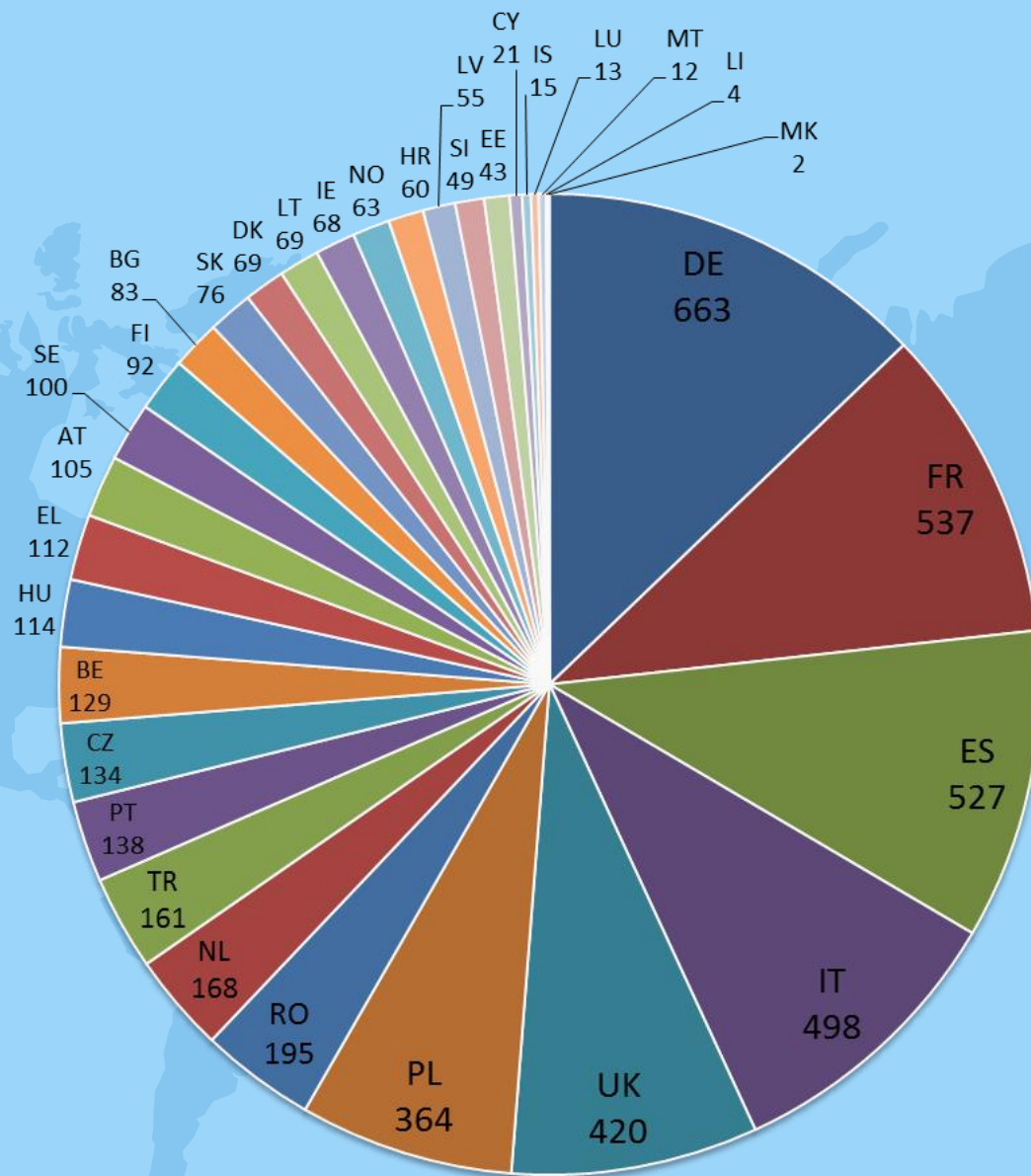
For the ongoing call

- ✓ More inclusive development: need to involve new HEIs, in more remote areas, from less favoured backgrounds
- ✓ One application deadline: 2 February 2017 (16 or 26 months projects)

Eastern Partnership 2017 Call Budget : EUR 20.6 million



Eastern Partnership 2017 Call Estimated Mobilities





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