

European Partnerships for School Development

The future of Europe is in the schools of today



300+
school education
organisations



50
partnerships



33
countries



3
years



1
goal

What are European Partnerships for School Development?

European Partnerships for School Development are a new Erasmus+ opportunity for cooperation between school authorities and schools from different countries.

The objective of these new partnerships is to create structures and capacity to make European cooperation a standard part of school education, opening up cross-border learning and learning mobility abroad to many more schools, pupils and teachers.



By enabling more and better
mobility opportunities for pupils and school staff

By sharing and implementing
best practices between countries



By improving the
teaching and learning in schools

What does a European Partnership for School Development look like?

A European Partnership for School Development is made up of school authorities and schools.

One school authority will act as the project coordinator. The project coordinator must bring along at least two schools from their country.

To form a Partnership, there needs to be at least one or more partner school authority from another country. That partner authority also needs to bring along another two schools to the partnership.

These are the minimum requirements to apply to become a European Partnership for School Development.

Further school authorities and schools from the same countries or other countries can also join the partnership. There is no maximum number of participating organisations.

Each European Partnership for School Development will receive EUR 400 000 for a project over a three-year period.

What are the key areas for cooperation?



IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF LEARNING AND TEACHING AT SCHOOL



Design and test innovative teaching and learning activities



Collaborative teaching



Peer learning and mentoring for staff members



Teacher substitution and resource management



CAPACITY BUILDING FOR CROSS-BORDER MOBILITY AND COOPERATION IN SCHOOL EDUCATION



Create supporting structures and expertise for international cooperation



Mainstreaming cross-border activities



Test 'mobility windows'



Recognition of learning outcomes



Recognition of project work



Capacity building through training of school leaders and staff

Who can participate in a European Partnerships for School Development?

All general education schools can participate: pre-primary, primary and secondary schools, as well as providers of early childhood education and care.

Other important actors in the school education system, such as teacher associations, parent associations and pedagogical institutes, can join the partnerships as partners.

All participating organisations must come from countries participating in the Erasmus+ programme: the 27 EU member states, Iceland, Liechtenstein, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, and Türkiye. The eligibility rules are defined in each participating country.

You can check your organisations' eligibility on the website of your [Erasmus+ National Agency](#).

How and when can my organisation apply?

Applications must be submitted by 9 April 2026, 12:00 pm Brussels time via the [Erasmus+ opportunities webpage](#).

Where can I get more information?

Reach out to your [National Agency](#) or find more information on the [European School Education Platform](#)



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