# 4EU+ Pilot Central Call on Blended Intensive Programmes

2025



# Introduction

This is a pilot call for 4EU+ Blended Intensive Programmes.

Blended Intensive Programmes (BIP) funded by the Erasmus+ KA 131 programme provide funding for the joint development and implementation of innovative didactic projects that are designed and carried out by at least three 4EU+ member institutions.

BIPs should use innovative teaching and learning methods, including online cooperation and student-centred problem-based learning and should offer added value compared to existing courses.

Projects previously funded by 4EU+ (Educational projects, Mini-grants, SEED projects) are eligible to apply provided they align with the BIP format.

# **Call Description**

### **Timeline**

March 2025 - Call Launched

30 April 2025 - Application Deadline

June 2025 - Results Announced

After June, 2025– Selection of students participating in the BIP. Carried out by participating academics of the BIP, according to the rules and regulations of the sending institution.

BIPs will have to be carried out between 1 September 2025 and 30 June 2026.

1 September 2025 - Earliest start of activities of the selected BIPs.

30 June 2026 – All activities of the selected BIPs must be completed.

# **Partnership Structure**

Students from **at least three** 4EU+ institutions participating in the Erasmus+ programme must participate in the BIP.

As Switzerland is not part of the Erasmus+ programme, the **University of Geneva cannot be reported as one of the three main participating institutions**, but as an associated partner.

There is no funding available for the participation of institutions from outside of 4EU+.



















# **Partnership**

There must be at least three 4EU+ institutions involved in the application.

The application can be submitted by an academic / teaching staff with at least a PhD degree, employed at one of a 4EU+ institution other than then University of Geneva.

### **Coordinating Institution**

The Coordinating Institution is responsible for the overall coordination, application and administration of the BIP and hosting the physical component of the BIP. Students of that institution will not be counted towards the minimum number of participants.

## **Sending Institution**

Institution that will be sending participants to the BIP.

### **Format**

The programme must be designed in a blended format. There must be a physical component as well as a virtual component.

The **physical component must last five days** and be held at the Coordinating Institution. The virtual component must be embedded in the programme and can be held before, during and/or after the physical component.

# **Participants**

**Minimum of 15 students** (BA/MA/PhD) from the Sending Institutions. Students from the Coordinating Institution are not counted towards the minimum number of participants.

As Switzerland is not part of the Erasmus+ programme, students from the University of Geneva can participated in the BIP, but will not be counted towards the 15-student minimum. Their participation will be funded by the internal funding of the University of Geneva.

### **Eligible students**

Any student enrolled in a degree programme at the 4EU+ institutions taking part in the BIP and meets the criteria defined by the coordinator of the BIP. The selection of students is being done by the academics involved in the BIP at each Institution according to the BIP procedures at the Sending Institution.

In accordance with Erasmus+ guidelines students participating in the BIP must be awarded at least 3 ECTS.



















# **Funding**

The Coordinating Institution receives **a lump sum** of  $\in$  400 per Incoming student for organizational costs of the BIP, up to a maximum of  $\in$  8.000. The lump sum can be used for all organizational costs such as catering, renting rooms, workshop materials, social programme etc. The Coordinating Institutions is responsible for storing invoices for the organizational costs.

### **Funding for Students**

Students receive **travel and daily allowance** for their mobility from their Sending Institution in form of a lump sum:

Daily allowance	per day	€ 79
Travel allowance	Heidelberg <-> Paris Heidelberg <-> Milan Heidelberg <-> Prague Heidelberg <-> Geneva Milano <-> Geneva	€ 285  (€ 211 if <u>not</u> an environmentally friendly means of transportation is being used)
	All other trips between 4EU+ member universities	€ 417 (€309 if <u>not</u> an environmentally friendly means of transportation is being used)
	Additional funding for students with fewer opportunities	€ 100

# **Funding for Staff**

**Travel and daily allowance of participating staff** is funded by the Sending Institution according to Erasmus+ rates.

# **Application**

The online application form is available at this link.



















# **Evaluation Process**

- 1. Eligibility check by 4EU+ Working Group Mobility
- 2. Evaluation

Every proposal will be evaluated by one representative of the relevant Flagship and/or academic from the Academic Council and one member of the Student Committee.

# **Evaluation criteria**

Impact on the participants and the institutions		
Benefit for the alliance (in line with the <u>4EU+ Strategy</u> )		
Sustainability of the initiative		
Quality of the didactic offer (ex. use of innovative pedagogies)		
Quality of the virtual component (ex. innovative, improvement of digital skills)		
Interdisciplinarity		
More than three institutions involved		
Extra points for the involvement of an Associated Partner		
(except University of Geneve)		

# **Important Resources**

- 4EU+ https://4euplus.eu/4EU-1.html
- 4EU+ Flagships <a href="https://4euplus.eu/4EU-576.html">https://4euplus.eu/4EU-576.html</a>
- 4EU+ Strategy https://4euplus.eu/4EU-1001-version1-4eu strategy2025 2035 final.pdf
- 4EU+ Associated Partners <a href="https://4euplus.eu/4EU-686.html">https://4euplus.eu/4EU-686.html</a>?

















