

2021-2027

Erasmus+ Programme
Inter-institutional agreement
Key Action 1
Learning mobility for higher education students and staff

between EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme and third countries not associated to the Programme

The institutions<sup>1</sup> named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. This agreement is valid for the Erasmus+ call years 20[25]-20[27] in:

- KA131 Higher education mobility supported by internal policy funds
- KA171 Higher education mobility supported by external policy funds

The institutions commit to sound and transparent management of funds allocated to them through Erasmus+ and to respect the quality requirements of the Programme, outlined in the <u>Erasmus Charter for Higher Education</u><sup>2</sup> and in this agreement.

The institutions agree on exchanging their mobility-related data according to the <u>principles of GDPR</u><sup>3</sup> and in line with the technical standards of the <u>European Student Card Initiative</u><sup>4</sup>, when this becomes available for international mobility involving third countries not associated to the Programme.

Sending institutions located in EU/EEA countries have to ensure compliance with the provisions of art. 46 GDPR for all participants' personal data exchanged in the context of their mobility with institutions from non-EU/EEA countries without an adequacy decision, on the condition that enforceable data subject rights and effective legal remedies for data subjects are available in the respective third country. The participants should be informed in a transparent manner about the level of protection of their personal data, if this is different from the one where the sending institution is located.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Inter-institutional agreements can be bilateral or multilateral in the case of mobility consortia:

<sup>-</sup> Bilateral agreements are for cooperation between one higher education institution located in an EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme and another institution located in a third country not associated to the Programme

<sup>-</sup> Multilateral agreements are for cooperation between a mobility consortium of higher education institutions located in one single EU Member State or third country associated to the Programme and another institution located in a third country not associated to the Programme.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/higher-education-charter en

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/law-topic/data-protection/reform/rules-business-and-organisations/principles-gdpr en

<sup>4</sup> https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative en

# 1. Information about the higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department where relevant)	Erasmus code or city <sup>5</sup>	Contact details <sup>6</sup> (email, phone)	Websites
Transylvania University of Brasov  ROMANIA  PIC number: 999904131  OID: E10209167	RO BRASOV01	Institutional Coordinator Name: Prof. Dr. Eng. Simona LACHE e-mail: slache@unitbv.ro  Erasmus+ Office B-dul. Eroilor nr. 29, RO-500036 Brasov, Romania Tel.: +40 737 659 651 e-mail: erasmus@unitbv.ro, incoming@unitbv.ro, outgoing@unitbv.ro  Coordinator for the Faculty of Civil Engineering/ Contact person: Assoc. prof. dr. Radu MUNTEAN e-mail: radu.m@unitbv.ro	General: www.unitbv.ro/en/ Faculty/faculties: www.unitbv.ro/en/faculties.html Course catalogue: www.unitbv.ro/en/prospective- students/academic-programmes.html
University of Isfahan, IRAN PIC: 913737024 OID: E10084439	ISFAHAN	Erasmus Office  Ms. Fariba Hadian, International Scientific Cooperation Office, University of Isfahan, Hezar Jarib Street, Isfahan 8174673441, Iran Tel: +983137935258, Email: isco3.ui@gmail.com  Coordinator for the Faculty of Civil Engineering and Transportation/ Contact person: Dr. Mehrdad Hejazi Tel: +98 313793 5308, +98 9131140282 Email: m.hejazi@eng.ui.ac.ir, mm.hejazi@yahoo.com  Coordinator for the Faculty of Foreign Studies / Contact person: Assoc. Prof. Mohammad Amiryousefi Tel: +98 313 793 2040, +98 9132132381 Email: m.amiryousefi@fgn.ui.ac.ir, m.amiryousefi@yahoo.com	https://www.ui.ac.ir

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Higher education institutions (HEIs) from Member States or third countries associated to the Programme should indicate their Erasmus code; HEIs from third countries not associated to the Programme should mention the city where they are located.

 $<sup>^{6}</sup>$  Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

### 2. Mobility numbers per academic year

The partners agree to update the mobility data, whenever possible, by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year formally via an amendment of the inter-institutional agreement.

## Number of student and staff mobility periods

FROM [Erasmus	TO [Erasmus	Subjec t area			Number of mobility periods			
city of the sending re	code or city of the receiving institution]	ISCED CODE <sup>7</sup> (optional)	(optional)	cycle [short cycle, 1st, 2nd or 3rd] (optional)	Student Mobility for studies [Specify here total number of students]	Student Mobility for studies [Specify here total number of months]	Student Mobility for Traineeships (optional)* [Specify here total number of students]	Student Mobility for Traineeships (optional)* [Specify here total number of months]
RO	ISFAHAN	0732	Building and civil engineering (Structural Engineering)	1st, 2nd or 3rd	2	10	2	6
BRASOV01	ISTATIAN	0231	Language acquisition (Foreign languages)	1st, 2nd or 3rd	2	10	0	0
ISFAHAN	RO	0732	Building and civil engineering (Structural Engineering)	3rd	2	10	2	6
201 ATTAIN	BRASOV01	0231	Language acquisition (Foreign languages)	3rd	2	10	0	0

 $<sup>^{7} \, \</sup>underline{\text{https://circabc.europa.eu/sd/a/286ebac6-aa7c-4ada-a42b-ff2cf3a442bf/ISCED-F\%202013\%20-\%20Detailed\%20field\%20descriptions.pdf}$ 

FROM TO [Erasmus [Erasmus		Subject area		Study cycle [short cycle,	Number of mobility periods			
code or city of the sending institution]	code or city of the receiving institution]	ISCED CODE <sup>7</sup> (optional)	NAME 1st, 2nd or (optional) 3rd] (optional)		Staff Mobility for Teaching [Specify here total number of staff]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Specify here total number of days]	Staff Mobility for Training (optional)* [Specify here total number of staff]	Staff Mobility for Training (optional)* [Specify here total number of days]
RO BRASOV01	ISFAHAN	0732	Building and civil engineering (Structural Engineering)	1st, 2nd or 3rd	2	10	2	10
BRASOVUI		0231	Language acquisition (Foreign languages)	1st, 2nd or 3rd	2	10	2	10
ISFAHAN	RO BRASOV01	0732	Building and civil engineering (Structural Engineering)	3rd	2	10	2	10
	DIAGOV01	0231	Language acquisition (Foreign languages)	3rd	2	10	2	10

# **Optional** additional information

e.g. blended mobility, traineeships, staff training etc.

#### 3. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended <u>language skills</u> at the start of the mobility period (see also section 5 "Preparation and Support").

Receiving institution	Subject area	Language of	Language of	Recomm	iended level
[Erasmus code or city]	(Optional)	instruction 1	instruction 2	Student Mobility [Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages: B1]	Staff Mobility [Minimum recommended level in at least one of the languages for teaching: B2]
RO BRASOV01		Romanian	English	B1 – Romanian or English	B2 – Romanian or English
ISFAHAN		Persian	English	B2 – Persian or English	B2 – Persian or English

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution. The links to the course catalogue are provided in the first section.

### 4. Partnership arrangements: fees and organisational support funds

In accordance with the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education, partners commit to charge no additional fees to students:

- In connection with the organization or administration of their Erasmus+ mobility period. Any violation to this rule by the partners shall be brought to the attention of the National Agency and may lead to the termination of the participation in the project linked to this inter-institutional agreement, if no corrective measures are taken.
- For tuition, registration, examinations or access to laboratory and library facilities. Nevertheless, they may be charged small fees on the same basis as local students for costs such as insurance, student unions and the use of miscellaneous material.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, it is recommended to use the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR): <a href="http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr">http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr</a>

This section is mandatory/applicable only for KA171. Repartition of the granted Organisational Support between the partners is strongly recommended, but not mandatory:

Partners agree on the following use and repartition of organisational support funds including a list of objectives that both partners consider a priority:

OS Use and Repartition	Priority Objectives

## 5. Outreach and Selection of participants: calendar, application procedure and requirements

- Partners commit to doing outreach to participants with fewer opportunities to encourage their participation in the Programme and, where needed, agree on a common strategy to meet indicative inclusion targets.
- Partners commit to running selection procedures for mobility activities that are fair, transparent, and documented, ensuring equal opportunities to participants eligible for mobility. The calls for applications must be public and an appeal procedure must be in place. Under no circumstances, shall applicants and selected participants incur any costs during application and selection procedures.
- In the case of student mobility, partners will ensure that other elements beyond academic merit are taken into account to ensure participation of students with fewer opportunities. Selection criteria and procedures must be clearly communicated in the call for applications.

Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code or city]	Term duration	Deadline <sup>9</sup>
RO BRASOV01	Winter Term: from 1, October to 15, February Spring Term: from 15, February to 15, July	Winter Term: 15, June Spring Term: 15, December
ISFAHAN	Autumn term: September 01 - January 15 Spring term: January 25 - June 25	Winter Term: 01, August Spring Term: 01, November

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Please specify the deadline for each semester and, if necessary, adapt to a trimester system.

The receiving institution will send its decision within 4 weeks and no later than 5 weeks.

The partners commit to have a fair, transparent, coherent and documented application and selection procedure outlined in their respective websites and regularly updated, together with the contact details of the relevant department:

Application procedure		
Receiving Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro phone: +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
ISFAHAN	Mrs Houri Zarei int-office@ui.ac.ir Tel: +98-313-793-5158	https://isc.ui.ac.ir/page-internationalMain/fa/50/form/Cl3230/link

## **Academic and additional requirements**

This table should contain a non-exhaustive list of academic and additional requirements. For KA171 partners are invited to agree on the specific inclusion measures.

Requirement	Details	Website for information (optional)
Academic requirements	Number of ECTS credits (or equivalent) already completed / current level of completion of studies Subject area (ISCED code) EQF level	
CV		
Motivation letter		

For KA171: Inclusion measures <sup>1</sup>	For KA171: Targeted categories of participants with fewer opportunities (see Erasmus+ Programme Guide) To further enhance the inclusion dimension of KA171, partners are encouraged to discuss indicative targets during selection process.	
Other		

### 6. Preparation and support

The Higher Education Institution(s) in a Member State or associated third country commit(s) to:

- Ensure that students are aware of their rights and obligations as defined in the *Erasmus Student Charter*<sup>1</sup> .
- Arrange travels or provide a pre-financing of the grant to reduce the costs that participants need to cover upfront, to the extent possible.

All involved Higher Education Institutions commit to the following preparation and support measures. Information and assistance can be provided by the contact points and information sources in the table below:

- The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding **accommodation**, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education. It is considered best practice to use the individual grant to pay for the deposit of dormitories.
- Ensure that outgoing mobile participants are well prepared for their activities abroad, including blended mobility, by undertaking activities to achieve the necessary level of **linguistic proficiency** and develop their **intercultural competences**.
- Provide assistance related to obtaining visas, when required, for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> You may find the implementation guidelines of the Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps Inclusion and Diversity Strategy here: https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/implementation-guidelines-erasmus-and-european-solidarity-corps-inclusion-and-diversity en

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Erasmus Student Charter is available here: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/student-charter">https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/student-charter</a> en

the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education and, if needed, use project funds in the most inclusive way to cover related costs partially or in full.

- Provide assistance related to obtaining insurance, when required, for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education and use project funds in the most inclusive way to cover related costs partially or in full. The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided.
- The receiving institution will inform about the existence of relevant infrastructure and provide support to incoming participants with fewer opportunities.
- Provide **appropriate mentoring and support arrangements** for mobile participants, including for those pursuing blended mobility, as well as **integrate incoming mobile participants** into the wider student community and in the Institution's everyday life.
- Provide participants with their **grant as soon as possible upon arrival**, including if necessary a first payment using cash, check or similar to avoid delays linked to opening a bank account.
- The institutions commit to encourage participants to act as **ambassadors of the Erasmus+ Programme** and share their mobility experience, e.g. by providing information about the existence of Erasmus+ alumni networks, inviting former participants in promotion activities, etc.

The table serves as a template - the partners are free to adjust it, e.g. to add more measures, to replicate per partner HEI etc.

Preparatory & Support Measures	Institution [Erasmus code or city]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information & arrangements
Accommodation	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN	int-office@ui.ac.ir +98-313-793-5158	
Language Support	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv,ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN	int-office@ui.ac.ir +98-313-793-5158	
Visa	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN	<u>Int-office@ui.ac.ir</u> +98-313-793-5158	

Insurance	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN	int-office@ui.ac.ir +98-313-793-5158	
Inclusion of participants with	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
fewer opportunities	ISFAHAN		
Mentoring	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN		
Grant payments	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN		
Alumni information	RO BRASOV01	incoming@unitbv.ro +40 737 659 651	www.unitbv.ro/en/erasmus-students/incoming-students.html
	ISFAHAN		

### 7. Recognition

#### Institutions commit to:

• Ensure recognition for activities satisfactorily completed. [Please specify the recognition tools that will be used, e.g. the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System.]

**RO BRASOV01** - Under the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, in order to accumulate credit units, the student must participate in the scheduled teaching activities and carry out individual training activities.

**ISFAHAN** - As per the regulation of the University of Isfahan for Erasmus programs, to accumulate credit units, the student must participate in the scheduled teaching activities and carry out individual training activities.

- Ensure that student and staff mobility for education or training purposes is based on a learning agreement for students and a mobility agreement for staff validated in advance between the sending and receiving institutions or non-academic organisations and the mobile participants.
- Accept all activities indicated in the learning agreement, or according to the learning outcomes of the modules completed abroad, as automatically counting towards the degree, provided these have been satisfactorily completed by the mobile student.

- Partners commit to taking measures to ensure recognition of student and staff mobility upon their return, including:
  - o Providing incoming mobile students and their sending institutions with free-of-charge transcripts. The documents must be in English or in the language of the sending institution and containing a full, accurate and timely record of the achievements at the end of the mobility period.
  - o A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 4 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI.
  - o Providing students on traineeships and staff staff with a certificate for the activities completed. It is recommended to issue a certificate towards the end of the mobility period.

#### 8. Grading systems of the institutions

It is recommended that receiving institutions provide the statistical distribution of grades or make the information available through  $\underline{\mathsf{EGRACONS}}$  according to the descriptions in the  $\underline{\mathsf{ECTS}}$  users'  $\underline{\mathsf{guide}}^1$ . The table will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

Institution [Erasmus code or city]	EGRACONS [If a	pplicable]	Website for information
RO BRASOV01	1 credit = 25 hours total work 1 full academic year = 60 credits 1 semester = 30 credits 3 months = 20 credits Grading distribution will be provided by studer  ROMANIAN grading system  10 = Excellent 9 = Very good  From 7 to 8 = Good 6 = Satisfactory 5 = Sufficient  From 1 to 4 = Fail	at's Transcript of Records.  ECTS grade  A = Excellent  B = Very good  C = Good  D = Satisfactory  E = Sufficient  F = Fail	

<sup>1</sup> The ECTS user's guide is available here: https://ec.europa.eu/education/resources-and-tools/document-library/ects-users-guide\_en

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	Grade	Scale 1	Scale 2	Description	Mentioned		
	16-20	Α	4	Excellent	Highest Distinction		
	14-15.99	В	3	Very Good	Higher Distinction		
	12-13.99	С	2	Good	Distinction		
	10-11.99	D	1	Acceptable			
	0-9.99	F	0	Fail			

### 9. Any other information regarding the terms of the agreement (optional)

RO BRASOV01 - Selection/preparation/integration of incoming students and staff will be carried out in accordance with the principles of the Erasmus University Charter. Additional information is provided at https://www.unitbv.ro/en/
Partner Universities will send a detailed nomination list with the beneficiaries of the Erasmus mobility, by e-mail, to incoming@unitbv.ro, together with the required documents. The required documents will be sent by e-mail (pdf format). We could specify in due time, upon request, if special needs of students and staff with disabilities can be fulfilled.

**ISFAHAN** – ISFAHAN 01- Selection/preparation/integration of incoming students and staff will be organized and handled in accordance with the principles of the Erasmus University Charter. Partner Universities will send a detailed nomination list with the beneficiaries of the Erasmus mobility, by Email, to int-office@ui.ac.ir or isco3.ui@gmail.com, together with the required documents. The required documents will be sent by Email (pdf format). Visa procedure, through the Iranian Universities needs 2 to 4 months' time in advance for preparing and sending the necessary documents to the responsible national authorities. The applicant will be informed about the results by three weeks. We could specify in due time, upon request before arriving, if special needs of students and staff with disabilities can be fulfilled.

#### 10. Termination of the agreement

In the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: "Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict".

#### **SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)**

Institution [Erasmus code or name and city]	Name, function	Date	Signature <sup>1</sup>
RO BRASOV01	Prof. Dr. Eng. Ioan Vasile ABRUDAN, Rector	04.09.2024	RECTORAT PRORECTOR 2
ISFAHAN	Prof. Dr. Hossein HARSIJ, President	August 14, 2024	THE ROMANIA TO SCHOOL RESULTING BOTH A ROMANIA TO SCHOOL RESULT TO SCHOO
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Scanned copies of signatures or digital signatures may be accepted depending on the national legislation