Erasmus+ KA171 Staff Mobility for Teaching Assignments might include a variety of activities such as lecturing, hands-on teaching activities, giving a seminar and organizing a workshop. For one-week participation, the teaching activity has to comprise a minimum of 8 hours of teaching per week (5 days). For teaching activities that will last more than one week, the minimum teaching hour must be calculated in proportion to the minimum requirement (e.g., 16 hours/2 weeks, 24 hours/3 weeks).

International Cooperations Office (ICO) announces the application deadlines and procedures at least 20 days prior to applications. Application announcements are sent to International Offices of the related partner universities via e-mails. International Offices in the related partner universities organize a fair, transparent and documented selection process and send the nomination and applications of the teaching staff to ICO. The number of teaching staff that can be nominated is announced by ICO depending on the Program grant allocated to METU.

#### Application Period: 1 September- 15 October

#### b) Mobility Grants for Administrative Staff (Training Mobility):

The purpose of this type of mobility is to provide opportunity for the participants to learn from another institution's experience and best practice and to improve required talents for his/her current assignments. This activity supports the professional development of HEI teaching and non-teaching staff in the form of training events abroad (excluding conferences) and job shadowing/observation periods/training at a partner HEI.

Erasmus+ KA171 (Non-European Countries) Staff Mobility for Training (STT) might include a variety of activities such as job shadowing and International Staff Weeks organized by the partner universities (Important Note: Conference participations are not accepted as training activity within the framework of Erasmus+ KA171 Staff Mobility for Training).

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universities organize a fair, transparent and documented selection process and send the nomination and applications of the training staff to ICO. The number of administrative staff that can be nominated is announced by ICO depending on the Program grant allocated to METU.

#### Application Period: 1 March- 15 April

#### Erasmus+ Grant for All Types of Staff Mobility

- Individual Support (per day):
   € 140 for incoming staff to METU
   € 180 for outgoing staff from METU
- Travel Support:
   € 20-1500 (once and fixed amount according to distance)

The travel amount is calculated by using the "Distance Calculator" (see Table 2).

Since the launch of the Programme in 2015, METU realized over **590** staff mobilities (including academic and administrative staff) within the framework of Erasmus+ KA171 ICM Programme.

In addition to incoming teaching staff that have visited METU's academic departments, METU has organized 6 different International Staff Training Week events and hosted around 350 participants from all around the world. Each event was designed with a focus on a specific theme:

- "Forging Ties, Building Bridges", 1-5 May, 2017
- International Staff Training Week, 17-21 July, 2017
- "Overcoming Challenges in Internationalization", 9-13 July, 2018
- "Re-Thinking Internationalization", 17-21 June, 2019
- "The Digital Work and the World in the Time of Pandemic", 21-25 June, 2021
- "Blended Workshop and Training for University International Officers & Administrators" organized by METU in collaboration with National Academy of Education Administration, 30 May-3 June, 2022

In the upcoming year, METU plans to organize the  $7^{\rm th}$  International Staff Training Week and looks forward to hosting you too.



# ERASMUS+ KAI7I INTERNATIONAL CREDIT MOBILITY PROGRAMME





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Since 2015, a new initiative of the EU Commission, Erasmus+ KA171 International Credit Mobility (ICM) Programme opens up mobility opportunities to students and staff from all around the world. Under international credit mobility, a Higher Education Institution (HEI) in a Partner Country can send its undergraduate and graduate students (both MA and PhD) and staff to a partner HEI in a Programme Country, and vice versa.

Programme Countries are 33 countries participating fully in the Erasmus+ Programme:

- The 28 EU Member States, and;
- Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Serbia

Partner Countries are all the other countries in the world, grouped together in different regions:

## Table 1. Erasmus+ KA171 Partner Countries / Regions

Western Balkans (Region 1)

Neighborhood East (Region 2)

South-Mediterranean Countries (Region 3)

Russian Federation (Region 4)

Asia (Region 5)

Central Asia (Region 6)

Middle East (Region 7)

Pacific (Region 8)

Sub-Saharan Africa (Region 9)

Latin America (Region 10)

Caribbean (Region 11)

US and Canada (Region 12)

METU has been part of the Erasmus+ KA171 ICM Programme since its launch in 2015. To date, METU has been awarded a considerable amount of Erasmus+ funding and realized over 1500 mobilities (both inbound and outbound).

# I)ERASMUS+ AGREEMENTS

In order to realize student and staff mobilities, partner institutions must sign an Erasmus+ agreement, the format of which is generated by the European Commission:

## http://ico.metu.edu.tr/metu-partners

Within the framework of the Erasmus+ KA171 ICM Programme, METU has established over 190 partnerships all around the world. The number of partnerships from selected regions can be seen in the table below:

# Erasmus+ KAI7I Partnerships from Selected Countries



<sup>\*</sup>These are examples from selected regions and the partnerships are not limited with these countries.

# 2) STUDENT MOBILITY

Undergraduate and graduate (both MA and PhD) students are able to study abroad for a period of 3 to 12 months (1 or 2 academic terms) for which credits are obtained. After the mobility phase, the students return to their sending institution to complete their studies.

# **Erasmus+ Grant for Student Mobility**

- Individual Support (per month):
   € 800 for incoming students to METU
   € 700 for outgoing students from METU
- Travel Support:
   € 20-1500 (once and fixed amount according to distance)

The travel amount is calculated by using the "Distance Calculator" and corresponds to the round-trip.

| Table 2. Erasmus+ KA107 Travel Supports |                  |
|---|------------------|
| Obtained "km" Value                     | Grant Amount (€) |
| 10-99 km                                | 20               |
| 100-499 km                              | 180              |
| 500-1999 km                             | 275              |
| 2000-2999 km                            | 360              |
| 3000-3999 km                            | 530              |
| 4000-7999 km                            | 820              |
| +8000 km                                | 1.500            |

It is also possible to benefit from the Erasmus+ program on a no-grant basis.

Since 2015 project period, METU has organized over 900 student mobility within the framework of Erasmus+ KA171 ICM Programme.

Nomination Deadline for Home Universities:

- 30 June (for Fall Semester & Academic Year)
- 30 November (for Spring Semester)

Application Deadline for Students:

- 31 July (for Fall Semester & Academic Year)
- 31 December (for Spring Semester)

Eligibility and admission requirements; the language of instruction at METU is English and each student will be asked to provide a document which shows the proficiency level in English.

# 3) STAFF MOBILITY

Staff members can spend a teaching and/or training period abroad for up to 2 months.

# a) Mobility Grants for Academic Staff (Teaching Mobility):

This is a fully funded mobility activity that allows academic staff of a Higher Education Institution (HEI) to teach and carry joint academic/educational/networking activities at a partner HEI in the program countries around the globe.