

## FAQ's ERASMUS MUNDUS

### General

#### - What are the objectives of the EM Program?

“**Erasmus Mundus** is a cooperation and mobility program within higher education which supports cooperation and mobility projects between Europe and third countries. It aims at helping the European Union become a centre of excellency in higher education at world level and promoting dialogue and understanding through cooperation with third countries”.  
(<http://www.dges.mctes.pt/erasmusmundus>)

#### - What types of activities may be funded under the EM Program?

##### **ACTION 1**

- Joint Master's (1A) and PhD (1B) programmes of excellence offered by a consortium of at least 3 European, as well as third-country, higher education institutions. This Action also includes granting scholarships to students and staff involved in the Program to study/teach at least in 2 European higher education institutions and in some cases up to 6 months in a third-country higher education institution.

##### **ACTION 2**

- Erasmus Mundus Partnerships (former Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Windows): This Action aims at promoting the establishment of Partnerships between European as well as third-country higher education institutions through the organisation of mobility schemes.

##### **ACTION 3**

- Promotion of the European Higher Education through projects enhancing attractiveness and fostering visibility of higher education in the world.

For further information please go to: <http://www.dges.mctes.pt/NR/rdonlyres/E0C4DD71-CFBC-460F-9E1E-88144D2F967F/4195/FAQsPT.pdf>

#### - Who is eligible?

- **HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEI)** wishing to implement Joint Master's/Doctoral Programs (Action 1) or establish Partnerships between European higher education institutions and specific third countries (Action 2).

- **STUDENTS, RESEARCHERS AND LECTURERS** who have at least completed the first cycle of studies (bachelor's degree or equivalent), doctoral students, post-doc researchers, academics and professionals from all over the world without age limit who wish to engage in study, teaching or research activities under:

- one of the Joint Programs (Action 1). For further information on application requirements for the selected Master's/PhD degree please go to:

<http://www.dges.mctes.pt/DGES/pt/Reconhecimento/Uni%C3%A3o+Europeia/Erasmus+Mundus/Curso+Erasmus+Mundus/eras.htm>

- EM Partnerships (Action 2). Applications are open for bachelor's, master's or doctoral students, researchers, academics and professionals without age limit according to the geographic links required by calls of selected batches. Each selected project should be consulted with. For further information go to:

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus\\_mundus/programme/action2\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/programme/action2_en.php)

• **ORGANISATIONS ACTIVE WITHIN HIGHER EDUCATION** wishing to develop projects for the promotion of European higher education throughout the world (Action 3).

- Where can I find information on current projects?

For the 2010-2011 academic year, 116 Joint Master's Programs and 13 Joint Doctoral Programs have been approved, of which Portugal is involved in 28.

For further information go to the EM programmes browser:

<http://www.dges.mctes.pt/DGES/pt/Reconhecimento/Uni%C3%A3o+Europeia/Erasmus+Mundus/Curso+Erasmus+Mundus/eras.htm>

Furthermore, for the 2009-2010 academic year 39 EM Partnerships have been approved, of which Portugal participates in 20. For further information go to:

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus\\_mundus/programme/action2\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/programme/action2_en.php)

Selected projects for each specific action (Action 1, Action 2 and Action 3) can be found at: [\*Education Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency\*](#).

- What types of scholarships are available? (actions 1, 2, 3)

European and third-country students/academics can be granted a scholarship to study/teach under:

- EM Masters programmes
- EM Doctoral programmes
- EM Partnerships

## Scholarship Table for ACTION 1

Master's Degrees:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Students (duration 1-2 years):</b></li> </ul>	
Category A*	24.000€/year
Category B**	10.000€/year
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Staff (duration 1-2 years):</b></li> </ul>	
Category A and B	1200€/week
<b>Doctoral Students (duration 3years):</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Category A and B:</li> </ul>	
Degree programmes without employment contract which are not taught in Laboratory environment	
	61.200€
Degree Programmes with employment contract and taught in laboratory environment	
	129.900€
(for further information, see the EM Program Guide, pages 32 and 44)	

## Scholarship Table for ACTION 2

<b>Third Country and Europe (duration 1-34 months):</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bachelor's degree Students:</li> <li>Master's degree Students:</li> <li>Doctoral Student's:</li> <li>Pos-Doc Students:</li> <li>Teaching and administrative staff:</li> </ul>	1.000€/month 1.000€/month 1.500€/month 1.800€/month 2.500€/month
(for further information, see the EM Program Guide, pages 32 and 44)	

\* Type A scholarships (Third-country Students) may be granted to third-country students who are not from an eligible candidate country and have not lived or perform their main activity (studies, job, etc) in one of these countries during more than 12 months in total during the last five years.

\*\* Type B scholarships (European Students) may be granted to all students who meet the requirements applicable to Type A above.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND RESULTS

### - How can I apply to the EM Program?

Applications should be submitted to the selected program consortium and be subject to a selection process organised by the partners involved.

Applications may be submitted online or in paper form and do not require interviews, admission tests or fee payment.

Check the list for available EM Programs/Partnerships:

[DGES](#)

[Comissão Europeia](#)

#### - What documents are required to submit my application?

The following main documents are required: CV, Degree Transcript, Motivation letter and Reference letters, Identity Card/Passport

You should check with the University what are the additional application documents for the programme you want to apply to.

#### - What are the application deadlines?

Applications usually start in September/October and finish between November and February for Category A and between January and May for Category B.

Results are usually advertised between February and March (Category A) and between April and June (Category B).

As dates are set out by each consortium, candidates should get information about them from the relevant institutions.

#### - What are the selection criteria?

The selection criteria are established by each consortium; however, they are legally based on the following:

- Curriculum Vitæ
- Language skills (depending on the mobility country)
- Academic records
- Motivation letter
- Letters of recommendation

Note: for EM Doctoral Programmes assessment of the research project will be a significant factor for selection.

#### - Where will the EM selection results be advertised?

Please go to the EC site:

[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus\\_mundus/results\\_compendia/results\\_en.php](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/results_compendia/results_en.php)

and the site of the consortium in which your application was submitted.