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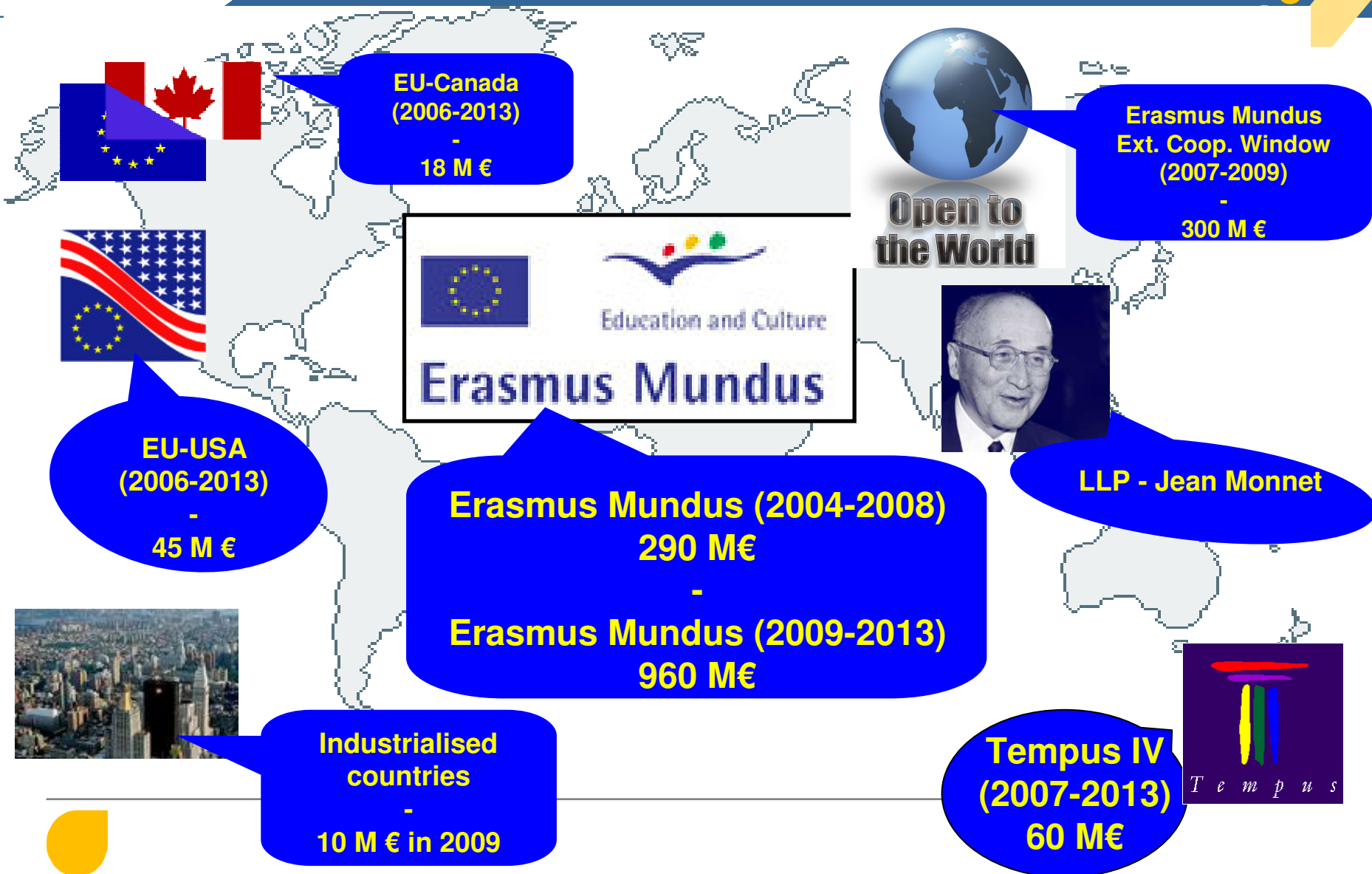




- ✓ Background information
 - Erasmus Mundus I (2004-2008)
 - EM ECW (2007-2009)
- ✓ Erasmus Mundus II (2009-2013)
 - Objectives and key elements
 - New features
 - One programme – three actions
 - Selection procedure



International Cooperation in Higher Education on EU level





- ✓ 103 integrated Masters Courses involving 468 European higher education institutions in EU/EFTA countries
- ✓ 6,000 third-country students
- ✓ 1,000 third-country scholars
- ✓ 40 partnerships with third country institutions involving 31 third countries
- ✓ 54 attractiveness projects
- ✓ Total budget EUR 230 million plus EUR 60 million for additional scholarships of students from targeted countries





- ✓ Total coverage: 32 European and 131 non EU countries
- ✓ Total budget: 2007: 36.4 Mio €, 2008: 100,3 Mio €
- ✓ Windows in the first call
 - Central and Eastern Europe and Russia (ENPI)
 - Middle East Region (DCI)
 - Central Asia (DCI)
- ✓ Additional Windows in the second call
 - African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (EDF)
 - Western Balkans region (IPA)
 - Asia region: Asia Regional and India (DCI)
 - Latin America: Brazil, Chile and Mexico (DCI)
- ✓ 33 selected partnerships - 277 European and 309 third country education institutions - 6,700 total individual mobility





- ✓ Budget: 163,5 Mio €
- ✓ Mobility: approx. 6,000
- ✓ Targeted third countries: Neighbourhood countries, Western Balkans, Middle-East, Central Asia, Asia: Regional Asia, India and China, Latin America: Brazil, Argentina, Regional Latin America
- ✓ Submission of proposals: 13/03/2009





1. Promoting **European higher education**

- offer **high quality** with a distinct **European added value**
- Improve **accessibility, profile** and **visibility** in the world

2. Helping improving and enhancing the career prospects of **students**

- developing the qualifications of men and women

3. Promoting **intercultural understanding** through cooperation with **third countries** in the field of Higher Education

- development of **human resources** and the **international cooperation capacity** of Higher Education Institutions in third countries
- **mutual enrichment of societies**





In order to

- ✓ Work on an equal footing with the most developed countries
- ✓ Cooperate and contribute to the development of less favoured regions of the world,

Erasmus Mundus 2009-2013 has an overall budget of almost 1 billion euros

- ✓ 493.69 million EUR for Actions 1 and 3 (from the EU's Education Budget)
- ✓ About 460 million EUR for Action 2 (from different external relations instruments: ENPI, DCI, IPA, ICI, EDF)

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1. BUILDING ON THE EXPERIENCE

- ✓ Interim evaluation of Erasmus Mundus I (2004-2008)
- ✓ Impact assessment and public online consultation of stakeholders
- ✓ Various meetings with programme participants

THE PROGRAMME IS A SUCCESS AND SHOULD BE CONTINUED

EM 2009-2013 focus remains on

- ✓ Integrated joint programmes with mandatory mobility periods and joint recognition
- ✓ Cooperation partnerships as launched since 2006 in the External Cooperation Window
- ✓ Attractive scholarships/fellowships for full or partial study periods
- ✓ Simple financial management based on lump sums and flat rates
- ✓ Decentralised management of scholarships by consortia and partnerships
- ✓ European Higher Education visibility and promotion activities





2. BROADENING THE SCOPE

- ✓ Including the **doctorate level** under Action 1 - Joint programmes
- ✓ Including **third country higher education institutions as full actors** in the design and implementation of joint programmes
- ✓ Offering **full study scholarships** to the best **European** postgraduate students and doctoral candidates
- ✓ Reinforcing the **role of other socio-economic actors** (research centres, non educational organisations) in the joint programmes' implementation
- ✓ **Integrating the External Cooperation Window** as the **new Action 2** of the Programme
- ✓ Providing concrete **support to EM National Structures**





3. COMBINING EXCELLENCE AND COOPERATION

EM 2009-2013, an unique Community Action Programme in Higher Education combining EU internal and external policies

During EM 2009-2013,

Excellence will be reinforced with an increased focus on

- ✓ Specially designed Joint Programmes at postgraduate level
- ✓ Quality Assurance, empowerment and governance of European Higher Education Institutions
- ✓ Services offered to international students
- ✓ Tighter links with the socio-economic sectors

International cooperation will be reinforced by

- ✓ Closer links between European and third country Higher Education Institutions in Actions 1 and 2
- ✓ Mobility flows of students and university staff between European and third country Higher Education Institutions



ERASMUS MUNDUS 2009-2013

Action 1

- Integrated joint masters and **doctorate** programmes
- implemented by EU **and third country** universities with
- **Scholarships** for third country **and for EU selected candidates** for the entire joint programme

Action 2

- Partnership projects with
- Scholarships for candidates from EU and targeted third countries and/or specific target groups
- On all levels of higher education
- In a variety of academic disciplines
- Bilateral mobilities of different duration

Action 3

- **Information and promotion activities of EM National Structures**
- **Studies, evaluations** (Study in Europe Website, Mapping Study, Quality analysis, Clusters Meetings)
- Erasmus Mundus Alumni Association
- Attractiveness projects



What's new?

- ✓ Joint programmes at **doctoral level**
- ✓ Full **scholarships for Europeans** (students/ doctoral candidates / scholars involved in joint masters)
- ✓ Possibility to include **third country Higher Education Institutions as full partners** of the consortium
- ✓ Revised **scholarships calculation – category A and B**
- ✓ Increased focus on **sustainability, employability, quality assurance and visibility**





- ✓ **Integrated** joint study / research programme at masters or doctorate level implemented by a consortium of HEIs (min. 3 different eligible applicant countries, at least one EU Member State)
 - Jointly designed study/research programme
 - Joint application, selection and assessment criteria
 - Joint students registration and admission conditions
 - Programme content fully recognised by all partners
- ✓ **Mandatory mobility periods** in at least two of the countries represented in the joint programme
- ✓ **Double, multiple or joint degrees** to all successful students / doctoral candidates
- ✓ If selected, **funded for five consecutive editions** of the joint programme





Integrated **scholarship** scheme for

- Category A students at masters level
 - **24.000 € / year**
- Category B students at masters level
 - **10.000 € / year** (+ 3.000 € mobility grant if applicable)
- Category A and B scholars in the joint master
 - **up to 14.400 € for 3 months**
- Category A and B doctoral candidates
 - **60.000 to 130.000 € for three years** depending on the research area (lab. / not lab.) and the enrolment model (i.e. stipends or employment contract)

The scholarship includes

- Participation costs (e.g. tuition fees), travel costs, insurance and living allowances

Funding is also provided for the **consortium management costs**

- **30.000 € / course edition at masters level**
- **50.000 € / doctoral programme edition**





- ✓ 150 joint masters courses
- ✓ 35 joint doctorate programmes
- ✓ 8,500 student scholarships (60% non European)
- ✓ 4,000 grants for scholars
- ✓ 750 fellowships for doctoral candidates





- ✓ Continuation of the **Erasmus Mundus External Cooperation Window** scheme
- ✓ Funded by **different financial instruments**
- ✓ **Fosters**
 - structured co-operation between HEIs in Europe and specific targeted geographical regions of the world
 - with the objective of implementing bilateral exchanges of students and university staff between Europe and these regions
- ✓ Award of **mobility scholarships**
 - at all levels (from undergraduate to post-doctorate, professors or professionals), for variable durations, in a variety of disciplines
- ✓ **priorities** defined in consultation with the third country/-ies concerned





- ✓ **Partnerships composed of**
 - At least 5 European HEIs of minimum 3 different countries
 - At least 1 HEI from each of the third countries covered by the targeted geographical area
 - Maximum 20 HEIs
- ✓ **Funding composed of**
 - **Lump sum** to cover the partnership's administrative costs
10.000 € / participating HEI (200.000 € max.)
 - **Individual mobility scholarships** for students and staff (including travel, insurance, living allowances and, if applicable, tuition fees)
- ✓ Special attention is paid to **socio-economically disadvantaged groups** and **populations in a vulnerable situation**





Action 1

Exchange or mobility **linked to specific integrated programmes on masters or doctorate level**

Scholarships for students and scholars **from all over the world**

Scholarships for the **entire duration** of the study or research programme

Joint, double, multiple degree

Action 2

Mobility for **all higher education levels not linked to a specific study area**

Scholarships to **targeted countries and defined target groups**

Scholarships of **different duration** (one term to 3 years)

Recognition of study period abroad at home institution





Type of activities

- ✓ Funding for **attractiveness projects** (including internationalisation of Erasmus Thematic Networks)
- ✓ Grants for the **promotion of Erasmus Mundus by National Structures** (restricted Calls)
- ✓ **Studies**, Calls for Tender (e.g. Quality Assurance for Masters Courses, Cluster meetings)
- ✓ Support to the **EM Alumni Association** activities

No open call for proposals in 2009 !





Programme Guide + Annual Calls for Proposals

✓ Action 1

- Selection of Joint Programmes assisted by high-level **Selection Board**
- Selection of students and doctoral candidates by consortia

✓ Action 2

- External action decision making procedures apply,
- Selection of students by partnerships, role of EC Delegations and third country authorities

✓ Strong support role of **Erasmus Mundus National Structures and EC Delegations**





- ✓ Prior **eligibility check** by the **Agency**
- ✓ The **EM National Structures** check eligibility of
 - European HEIs without an **ERASMUS Charter**
 - **Recognition status of degrees** awarded in the context of Action 1 joint programmes
- ✓ The **EC Delegations** in third countries
 - Check the **eligibility status** of the **third country HEIs** involved
 - Assess the relevance of the proposals in accordance with the **regional priorities**
- ✓ **Independent experts** assess the **quality** of the proposal in relation with the award criteria





- ✓ Proposal assessed by **independent experts**
 - Selected from the Agency’s Call for expression of Interest
 - Consensus discussion between the two experts on each proposal. If necessary, involvement of a third expert
 - Experts’ expertise in international cooperation in higher education (for Action 1 thematic, for Action 2 geographic focus)

- ✓ **Selection Board** composed of high level academic authorities to assist in the selection of Action 1 - joint programmes





Transparent and Objective

- ✓ Proposals assessment based exclusively on the selection and award criteria (eligibility and exclusion criteria must be fulfilled in order for the proposal to be assessed)
- ✓ Experts Assessment Manual published on the Agency website prior to the experts' panel
- ✓ Communication of assessment results and experts comments to all applicants





What can you achieve through Erasmus Mundus?

- ✓ Improve the visibility of your department / faculty / institution
- ✓ Increase its attractiveness in recruiting highly qualified European and third country students / doctoral candidates / scholars
- ✓ Create a strong cooperation network with European and third country partners
- ✓ Facilitate the exchange of good practices and innovation process
- ✓ Secure financial support for your academic, research and inter-university mobility activities





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 - <http://ec.europa.eu/education/programmes/mundus/doc/national.pdf>

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 - http://ec.europa.eu/external_relations/delegations/web_en.htm

