



Inclusion & Engagement in Mobility

Social Dimension of Erasmus+

Join us in the 'Inclusion & Engagement in Mobility', to discuss the Social Dimension of Erasmus+ and student exchanges at large. The conference will bring together people in the field of international student mobility to discuss overcoming barriers to take part in mobility and how engagement and active participation can support social integration in the host society.

You can find all the information about the project on the website: <https://siem-project.eu/>.

3rd & 4th of October 2022
Brussels, Belgium

Location: La Tricoterie ([map](#))
Rue Théodore Verhaegen 158, 1060 Bruxelles

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9h30 Registration (foyer)

10h00 Welcome (salles des arches)
Event Moderation by **Safi Sabuni**

Introduction to Social Inclusion & Engagement in Mobility
Wim Gabriels - Erasmus Student Network

10h30 Student Panel: understanding the mobility experiences from the lenses of their protagonists (salles des arches)

- Erasmus alumni coming from fewer opportunities backgrounds will discuss experiences and the challenges they have identified during their mobilities, in line with the findings of the Research Report.

11h30 Coffee Break (foyer)

12h00 Barriers to inclusion in Mobility opportunities from a minority group's

perspective. (salles des arches)

This session will feature the presentation of the key findings of the SIEM Minority group factsheets, which are based on the data from the research report relative to the mobility experiences of students from different backgrounds. The results will be discussed with stakeholders representing the different groups and the student community in general.

The project focuses specifically on the following backgrounds: first-generation students and migrant students, students from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, LGBTQI+ students and rural students.

Moderator:

- *Rita Dias, Liaison Officer for Inclusive Mobility of ESN International and President of ESN Portugal*

Speakers:

- *Thais Dutra Fernandez, YES Forum*
- *Remy Bony, Forbidden Colours*
- *Hendrik Schirmer, German Centre for Higher Education Research and Science Studies (DZHW) - Eurostudent*

13h00 Lunch (foyer)

14h00 Break Out Sessions:

1 Defining Minority Groups in your Country / Higher Education Institution (salles des arches)

The session will explore good practices on how to define minority groups for strategic planning at the national and institutional level, in line with the new Erasmus+ guidelines for minority groups.

- **Moderator: Marta Fuentes Labrador** , Director of ESN Spain

Speakers:

- **Josip Luša** , SALTO Inclusion and Diversity Centre for Education and Training
- **Christos Aivaliotis** - International Credit Mobility Team, C3 Unit DG EAC -
- **Corinne Drougard** - French Erasmus+ National Agency Education and Training
- **Vilma Kardauske**, Vilnius University of Applied Sciences

2 **Engaging more challenging to reach youth (Attic)**

The session will explore the challenges and possibilities related to reaching out to underrepresented use, and how the use of different outreach techniques can help to improve their access to opportunities and information

- **Moderator: Nikolina Đurić**, Communication Manager of ESN International..

Speakers:

- **Elizaveta Getta** - Erasmus+ Program Office, Charles University in Prague.
- **Rafael Shilhav** - Director of Communications and External Affairs at the European Youth Forum.
- **Petros Fassoulas** - Secretary General at the European Movement International.

3 **Support for students in need, refugees and migrants (Salon)**

Support for students in need has become a key dimension of the internationalisation field due to the unstable geopolitical situation and the worldwide increase in the number of refugees and displaced people. Responding to crises and creating adequate programmes and measures to adapt to the needs of the students is a fundamental part of it. This session will explore the topic from different angles and perspectives, bringing together existing practices from countries across Europe.

- **Moderator: Salome Keshelashvili**, Liaison Officer for the Western Balkans and the Eastern Partnership, ESN International.

Speakers:

- Malgorzata Swit, Lodz University of Technology
- Khaola Al Rifai, VuB University.
- Hector Ulloa, Students at Risk
- Svetlana Shytikova, National Erasmus+ Office Ukraine

15h00 Inclusive Mobility Promotion Guidelines - & Case studies from Universities.

In this session, the inclusive mobility promotion guidelines will be presented, along with case studies from Universities that are partners of the SIEM project. The guidelines offer a comprehensive explanation of how Higher Education Institutional can create inclusive mobility promotion strategies.

Presented by: Federica Bartolozzi, Projects and research officer,

15h30 Coffee Break (foyer)

16h00 Addressing Barriers to Inclusion - World Cafe

The world cafe will provide participants with an interactive space to brainstorm on concrete measures in which student mobility can be made more inclusive regarding access, student support and student experience.

Each cluster will have one moderator and one rapporteur. The moderator will guide the discussion in the three sub-groups, and the rapporteur will take notes from each sub-groups and summarise the main outcomes. These will be presented at the end.

Participants will be invited to pick one cluster, joining the facilitators in the different rooms

Moderators:

- [Access cluster](#) (**salles des arches**): Benedetta Genaro, International Student Services, TU Darmstadt
- [Student support cluster](#) (**attic**): Neli Kalinova, Education and Youth Policy Coordinator, Erasmus Student Network
- [Student experience cluster](#) (**salon**): Joana Freitas, Project Manager Sgroup - Universities in Europe.

17:00 Inclusion & Diversity Measures in the Erasmus+ Programme (salles des arches)
(Marta Gutierrez Benet - Head of sector, DG EAC B4 Unit)

Presentation of the Inclusion actions in the new Erasmus+ programme, including the Inclusion and Diversity Strategy, Framework of Inclusion Measures, National Action Plans and the Monitoring of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

17h30 Networking Cocktail

4th of October 2022

09h15 30 min Registration of day two (foyer)

09h45 15 min Introduction to the day by the moderator

10h00 60 min

Panel: How to make Erasmus+ foster social inclusion (salles des arches)

- Moderation: Juan Rayon, President of Erasmus Student Network.

Speakers:

- Josip Luša, SALTO Resource Centre for Inclusion and Diversity (Education and Training)
- Svava Finsen, Policy Officer, European Commission - DG EAC B1
- Martin Bogdan, Policy Officer, Academic Cooperation Association
- Lucia Gennaro, ARQUS European University Alliance
- Katrina Sproge, Vice-President, European Students' Union

The panel will bring together stakeholders involved in the Erasmus+ programme to discuss the most acute challenges and the needed support measures to achieve the inclusion goals of the new programme Erasmus+ 2021-2027.

The panellists will discuss aspects related to funding, recognition, outreach and promotion, student support and the mobility experience.

11h00 30 min Presentation of the SIEM recommendations - "Adapting the Erasmus+ documents for more inclusive and engaging mobilities" (salles des arches)

The Erasmus Student Network will present the project recommendations on adapting the Erasmus+ documents, such as the programme guide, the grant agreements or the ECHE monitoring system, in order to make Erasmus+ more inclusive.+

These recommendations target European Institutions, National Agencies and Higher Education institutions, seeking to provide concrete proposals that can lead to changes in the documents in the near future.

11h30 30 min Coffee Break (foyer)

12h00 20 min The Erasmus Generation Portal: bringing mobility opportunities to all students (salles des arches)

The Erasmus Student Network will present the Erasmus Generation Portal, a landmark initiative to improve peer-to-peer information about student

mobility, connect useful services for students, and increase civic engagement and social impact measurement on exchange

12h20 40 min Success stories through impactful initiatives (salles des arches):

During this session, initiatives related to inclusive mobility and civic engagement on mobility will be presented through poster sessions and ignite presentations. The session will allow for many spaces for interaction and networking among the participants.

Ignite Presentation: Inclusion Practises in Mobility (Salles Des Arches)

1. **InclusiveMobility.EU** (12h25-12h35)
Sabri Ben Rommane, Communication Officer - ESN International.
2. **Educational support for students with disabilities in the context of student exchange; the example of Lodz University of Technology** (12h35-12h45)
Dr Joanna Sztobryn-Giercuskiewicz, Head of the Office for Students with Disabilities. Lodz University of TEchnology
3. **Self-advocacy and accessible information for people with intellectual disabilities** (12h45-12h55)
Aiza Rodriguez , Communication Trainee; Inclusion Europe

Engaging students in society (Salon)

4. **Ensuring sustainable and accessible mobility - Lowering the footprint of mobility in an inclusive way.** (12h25-12h35)
Paola Di Marzo - ESN International
5. **Erasmus+ school mobility: the challenges for outreach to pupils with fewer opportunities** (12h35-12h45)
Juliette Ibarrondo Lasa - Erasmus+ School Programmes Development Officer
6. **Service Learning in Higher Education -** (12h45-12h55)
Berta Paz Lourido - Vice Director of the European Observatory on Service Learning

13h00 60 min Lunch (foyer)

14h00 60 min Breakout sessions

- 1 **How to use cross-sectoral engagement to improve access to mobility: Erasmus in Schools and beyond.** (Salon)

The speakers will present their work in cross sectoral engagement beyond Higher Education to foster inclusive internationalisation for all, proposing concrete ideas that can be implemented at the national and local levels.

Moderator: Louise Chancelier, ESN France

Speakers:

- ESN Spain
- ESN France
- EFIL
- OBESSU

2 **Mobility outside of the Erasmus+ programme - How can we make it inclusive? (Salles des arches)**

The panelists in the session will discuss the approaches that different mobility programmes are taking to foster inclusive mobility, and which lessons can be learned from the Erasmus+ experience.

Moderator: Sara Tagliabracci, Global Mobility Coordinator, ESN International

Speakers:

- Stefania Braendly, Movetia, Swiss National Agency for mobility programmes
- Griff Ryan, UUKi Universities
- Catherine Marston, Welsh Higher Education Office in Brussels/Welsh Higher Education Brussels
- Miguel Pangalangan, ASEF, Asia Europe Foundation.

3 **The role of student accommodation in making mobility more inclusive (Attic)**

• **Speakers:**

- Sabri Ben Rommane, Erasmus Student Network
- Viktoriya Terzieva, European University Foundation

15h00	30 min	Coffee break (foyer)
15h30	15 min	Erasmus Student's Engaging in local communities (salles des arches) Impactful activities that engage international students with local communities have been one of the key features of the SIEM project through the local phase. In this presentation, we will discover some of the highlights of this initiative and what it means for the broader debate of civic engagement on exchange. Presenter: Adéla Smejkalová, Vice - President for Development of the Erasmus Student Network.
15h45	45 min	Panel: The importance of Civic Engagement in International Education (salles des arches) Civic engagement and participation in democratic life is one of the horizontal priorities of the Erasmus+ programme. Higher Education Institutions should develop strategies and increase the active citizenship components of their international experiences, which will benefit the whole student population and not only mobile students. Civic engagement is also a core part of inclusion, helping students to develop a feeling of belonging to their hosting communities and Higher Education in general. The panel will discuss how civic engagement can be ingrained in the mobility experiences of students, and what can be the role of the different actors. Moderator: Wim Gabriels, Director of the Erasmus Student Network. Speakers: • Emmanuelle Gardan, Director of the Coimbra Group of Universities • Justine Gaudillat, Director of Erasmus Student Network Besançon • Tiago Diniz, Advisor to the Director, Portuguese Erasmus+ National Agency • Stefanie Klose, Project Manager and lecturer, Freiburg University, EPICUR European University Alliance • Berta Paz, Vice-director of the European Observatory of Service-Learning in Higher Education (EOSLHE), member of the European Association of Service-Learning in Higher Education (EASLHE), and President of the Asociación española de Aprendizaje-Servicio Universitario, ApS(U)
16h30	15 min	Keynote - the role of student engagement in making mobility more inclusive and impactful (salles des arches) By Juan Rayón González

17h00 Closing

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