

Erasmus+ Programme

Arqus II - Open Arqus Mobility Agreement (OAM) for the academic years 2023-2028

The Arqus II - Open Arqus Mobility Agreement (OAM) covers the academic years 2023/24 until and including 2027/28 corresponding to the Erasmus+ programme duration.

The institutions named below, as Arqus II members, in line with Arqus II Alliance Mission Statement, agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme and foster implementation of the seamless mobility between the partners under Arqus II "Open Arqus Mobility" (OAM) scheme. They commit to respect the fundamental principles and quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education¹ and the Erasmus+ Programme Guide², in all aspects related to the organization, management and recognition of the mobility, in line with the Erasmus+ 2021-2028 indicators and milestones.

The Partner sheet of the Arqus II Open Arqus Mobility scheme is annexed to this document being an integrated part of it and it is valid for the initial academic year 2023/2024. This annex will be updated on a yearly basis, not later than September 1st of each academic year valid for the call for applications of the subsequent academic year.

A. Information about higher education institutions

Name of the institution	Erasmus code	Contact details ³	Web site
Universität Graz	A GRAZ01	Diana Afrashteh diana.afrahteh@uni-graz.at	www.uni-graz.at
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¹ Erasmus Charter for Higher Education: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resources-and-tools/erasmus-charter-for-higher-education>

² Erasmus+ Programme Guide: <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-programme-guide>

³ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

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Universidade do Minho	P BRAGA01	Ana Esteves ana.esteves@usai.uminho.pt ; usai@usai.uminho.pt	www.uminho.pt
Maynooth University	IRL MAYNOOT01	Alena JURIKOVA Alena.Jurikova@mu.ie	https://www.maynoothuniversity.ie/

B. Mobility numbers per academic year

The numbers of mobility flows indicated in the annexed Partner sheet comprise mobility flows in addition to the mobility already carried out by the partners under bilateral inter-institutional agreements in defined subject areas and in no way influence or affect these agreements signed and implemented by Arqus II Network universities or their individual faculties. The Arqus II OAM scheme is open to the students of all cycles (1st, 2nd, and 3rd) and both teaching and administrative staff, unless indicated otherwise in the Arqus II OAM Partner sheet annexed to this agreement. Where national legislation allows it, recent graduates for Erasmus+ traineeships may be included in the mobility flows. Under the Arqus II OAM the Alliance seeks the implementation of short or long-term physical, virtual and/or blended mobility between the partners. The “signatories” commit themselves to communicate any amendment in terms of quotas of mobility flows, language skills requirements and other with at least a year of notice.

C. Recommended language skills

The Language skills recommendations/ requirements of each partner are outlined in the annex. The sending institution is responsible for checking that their nominated candidates meet the recommended/required language skills at the start of the study or teaching/training period, as well as providing support if needed.

D. Additional requirements

Additional requirements of each partner are outlined in the annex.

In the cases of mobility of students and staff with special needs (disabilities, chronic diseases or with children), the partners will inform each other. Where possible, the host university will work out the necessary measures to accommodate such mobility participants.

E. Calendar

1. Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by the date stated in the annex.
2. The receiving institution will make all efforts to accept all students. In case a student's application should be rejected, all actors will be informed within 5 weeks after the application deadline.
3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 8 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI. Though the partners will put all efforts to issue the Transcript of Records within a 5 week period according to the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education guidelines.
4. Termination of the agreement. In the event of unilateral termination of the agreement, a notice in writing should be given at least one academic year in advance to all Arqus partners. Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

F. Information

1. *Grading systems of the institutions*

The partner institutions comply with the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)⁴ and the grading systems of each university is based on the terms of the ECTS Guide (link to the grading system in the Partner sheet Annex).

2. *Visa*

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

3. *Insurance*

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided.

4. *Housing*

The receiving institution will guide inbound mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

5. *Inclusion and Accessibility*

The sending and receiving institutions will provide support to participants with special needs and participants with fewer opportunities, according to the requirements of the ECHE and Erasmus+ Programme.

Further details and contact information are provided in the annex.

SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

⁴ European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS): <https://education.ec.europa.eu/education-levels/higher-education/inclusive-and-connected-higher-education/european-credit-transfer-and-accumulation-system>

Institution	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁵
A GRAZ01	Vice-Rector Univ.-Prof. Mireille van Poppel, PhD Vice-Rector for Internationalisation and Equal Opportunities	13/06/2023	
E GRANADA01	Dorothy Kelly Vice-Rector for Internationalization	14/06/2023	
D LEIPZIG01	Svend Poller Head of the International Centre	12/6/2023	
F LYON01	Hélène Courtois Vice-President for International Relations and European Affairs	23/06/2023	
I PADOVA01	Cristina Basso Vice-Rector for International Relations	3/7/2023	
LT VILNIUS01	Artūras Vasiliauskas Pro-Rector for Partnerships	22.06.23	
PL WROCLAW01	Patrycja Matusz Vice-Rector for International Projects and Relations	22.06.2023	
P BRAGA01	Rui Vieira de Castro Rector	22.06.23	
IRL MAYNOOT01	PROF. PATRICK MC COLE VICE PRESIDENT INTERNATIONAL	19.07.23	

⁵ Scanned signatures are accepted