

The background of the slide is a vibrant photograph of a graduation ceremony. In the foreground, several graduates in blue academic regalia and black mortarboards are visible, some holding up their hands in celebration. The air is filled with a thick, colorful shower of confetti in various colors like red, yellow, blue, and green. The scene is bright and festive, capturing a moment of triumph.

**Getting ready
for the future**

**Opportunities in the future
Erasmus programme**

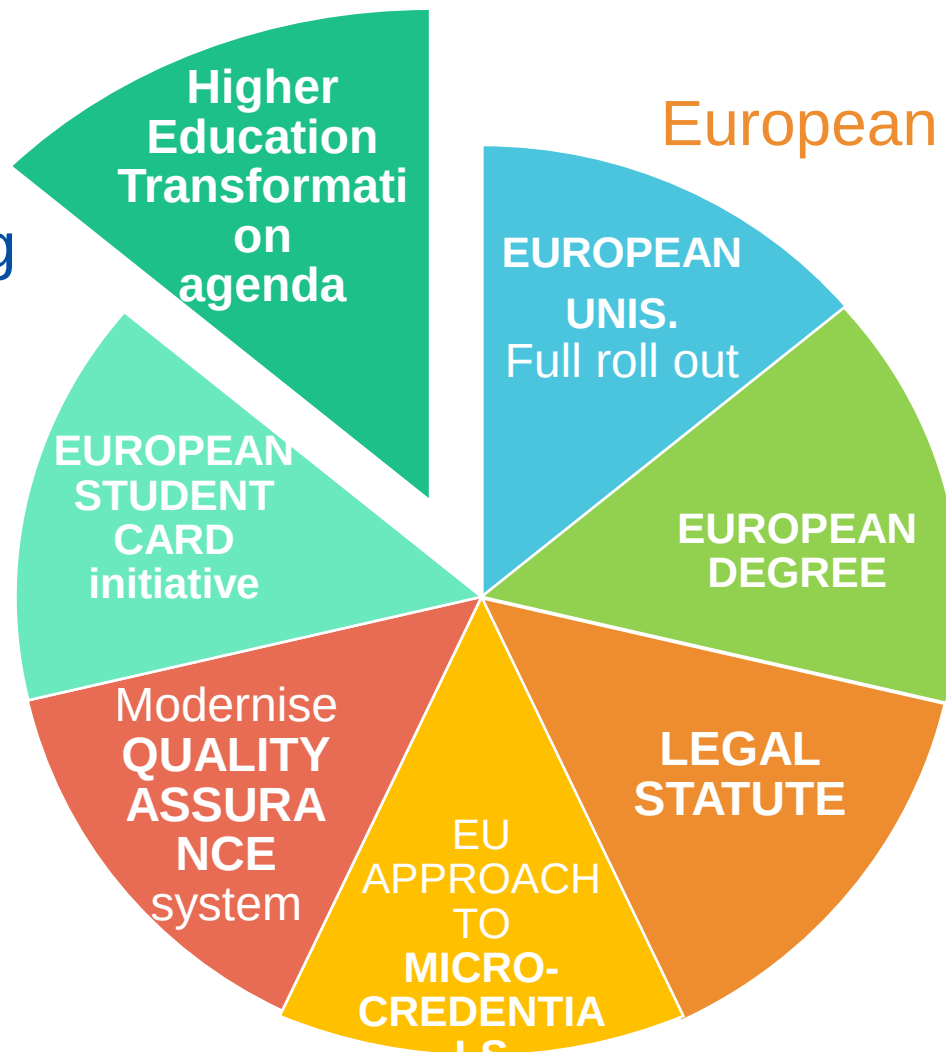
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Key priorities

- Skills Agenda
- European Education Area
- Digital Education Action Plan
- European Research Area
- Future Programmes 2021-2027

Transforming European Higher Education



Achieving a
European Education Area
by 2025

Main policy priorities for higher education



Interconnected

Strengthening the strategic and structured cooperation between higher education institutions



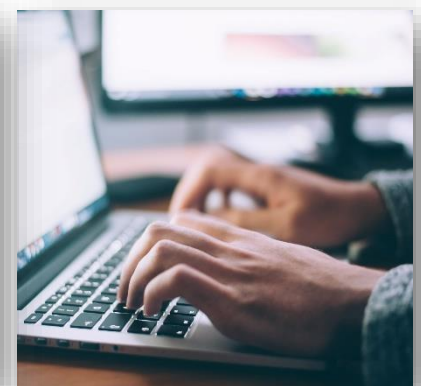
Innovative

Stimulating innovative learning and teaching practices to tackle societal challenges and rewarding excellence



Inclusive

Fostering inclusive approaches for mobility and cooperation activities



Digital

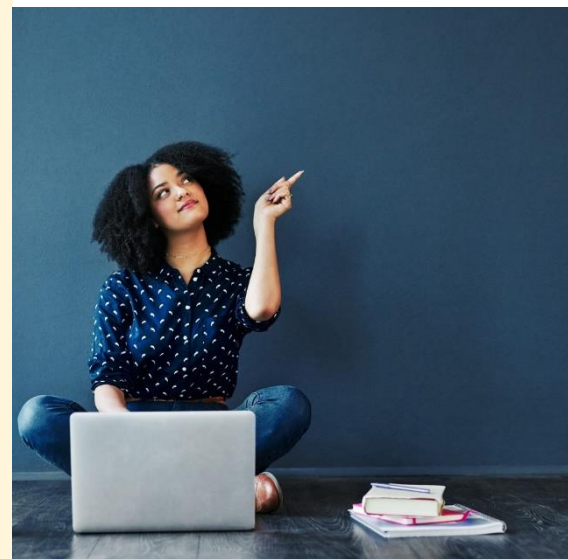
Supporting digital capabilities of the higher education sector through the European Student Card and the development of digital skills

A new, more inclusive Erasmus+

- **New Charter**
- **Flexible mobility formats**
- **Automatic recognition**
- **Revised grant system**
- **European Student Card Initiative**
- **Improved Online Language Support**
- **European Universities**
- **Inclusion and Diversity strategy**

Blended mobility – Objectives

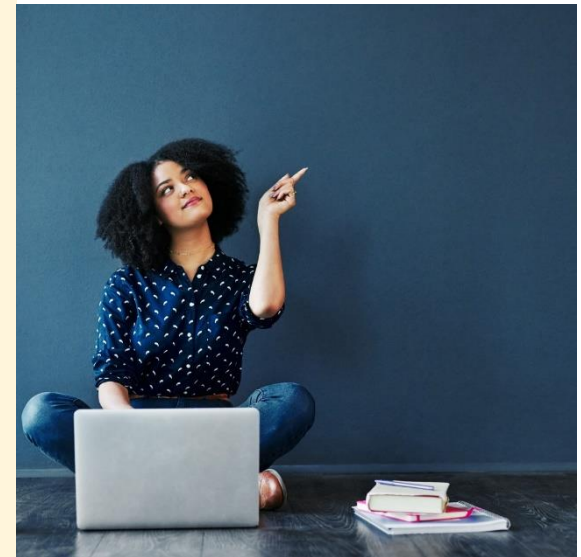
- **New and more flexible mobility formats as well as innovative ways of learning and teaching**
- **Reach to all types of students in all study fields and cycles (short cycle, bachelor, master and doctoral levels)**
- **Encourage collaborative online international learnings (COILs)**



Blended mobility – HOW?

Bilateral basis – through regular Erasmus mobility

Blended intensive programmes



Doctoral mobility

- **Short-term studies or traineeships** abroad (5-30 days) in addition to the long term mobility (2 to 12 months):
 - Virtual component optional
 - More flexibility and better tailored mobility periods
- Opportunities for doctoral candidates further highlighted
 - E.g. highlighted that **post-docs** can do traineeships



More opportunities for international mobility

- Focus on EU internal policy priorities
- Sustainable international cooperation
- Non-competitive for greater inclusion and accessibility e.g. first international cooperation for newcomers or diversification of partner HEIs and countries
- Synergies and complementarity with external policy funds (KA107)
- Action and funds simple and flexible to use





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Cooperation between HEIs

Partnerships for Cooperation

Cooperation
Partnerships

Capacity Building



Partnerships for Innovation

Forward-looking
Projects

Alliances for
Innovation



Partnerships for Excellence

European
Universities

Erasmus Mundus

Wider range of cooperation models



Cooperation Partnerships in Higher Education

- Supporting change, transformation, innovation and development of results
- Building capacity of organisations to work transnationally and across sectors
- Better links between policy priorities and projects
- More flexible project structure
- Simplified terminology

**Partnerships for
Innovation...**



**...strengthening Europe's
innovation capacity**

Alliances for Innovation

*Developing entrepreneurial
mind-sets and new skills*



**Lot 1: Alliances
for Education
and Enterprises**

**Lot 2: Alliances for
Sectoral Cooperation
on Skills**

Forward-Looking Projects

*Large scale projects which
aim to identify, develop
and test innovative policy
approaches*



Alliances for innovation

- Strengthening Europe's innovation capacity
- HE, VET, enterprises
- Developing entrepreneurial mind-sets
- Developing new skills
- Facilitating flow of knowledge
- Boosting provision of skills and addressing skills mismatches



Forward-Looking Projects

- Large scale projects that aim to identify, develop and test innovative policy approaches
- **Flexibility:** encourage projects where there is a lack of projects or where a new priority crops up
- **Test:** testing solution with a view to kick-starting sustainable and systemic impact



#EuropeanUniversities

Building the universities
of the future

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES

284 higher education institutions
in 41 alliances

31 European countries

Up to EUR **5 MILLION** from Erasmus+
Up to EUR **2 MILLION** from Horizon 2020 | per alliance



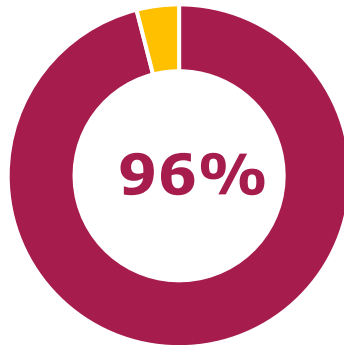
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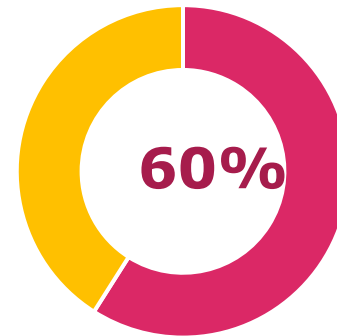


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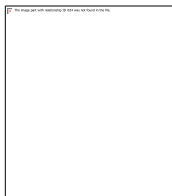
Survey May 2020 – 17 Alliances – Impact of COVID-19 pandemic



More than 96% think they would have been better prepared if their European University had been fully operational



More than 60% consider that being part of a European University has put them in a stronger position





Full roll-out under Erasmus+

Supported by an enabling policy framework, future European action on

- European degree
- Improved quality assurance
- EU framework for micro-credentials
- Necessity and feasibility of a legal statute for university alliances

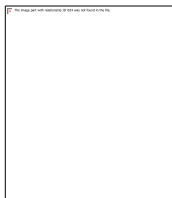
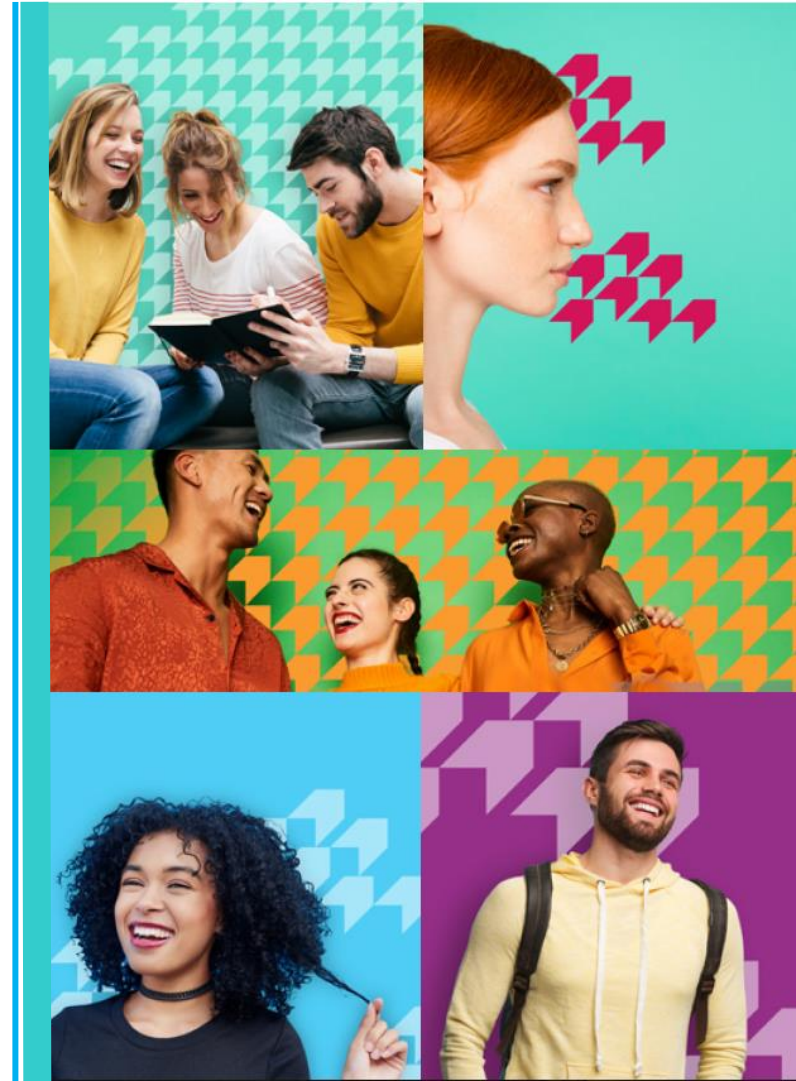




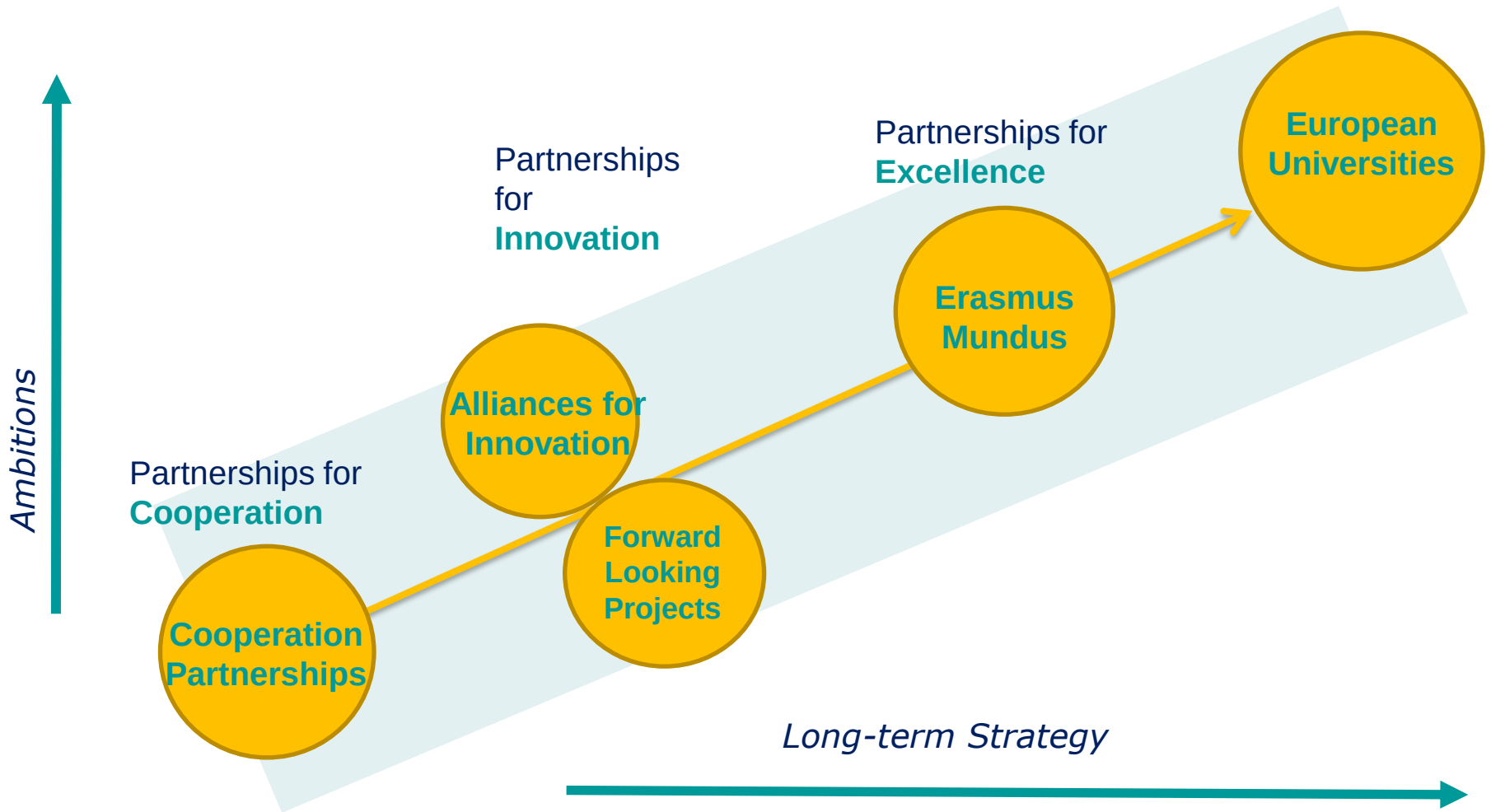
CO-CREATION with all of you

Transformation Agenda for Higher Education

European Universities
as testbeds



Cooperation possibilities



A woman with long dark hair, wearing a black sleeveless dress and black boots, is captured in a dynamic pose against a bright yellow wooden plank wall. She is holding a purple umbrella with her right arm, and her left leg is kicked out to the side. The scene is brightly lit, creating a cheerful and energetic atmosphere.

**Thank you for
your attention!**



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