Erasmus+ programme 2028–2034

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PURPOSE: to establish the Erasmus+ programme for the period 2028-2034.

PROPOSED ACT: Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the European Parliament decides in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure and on an equal footing with the Council.

BACKGROUND: on 16 July 2025, the European Commission unveiled its proposal for the next Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2028-2034, a EUR 2 trillion budget designed to strengthen Europe's sovereignty, competitiveness, and resilience. This new MFF will significantly enhance the EU's capacity to deliver on core policies while addressing new and emerging priorities.

EU funding support to challenges that affect skills, education, training, youth, volunteering and sport has been provided through different programmes over the years. In the 2021-2027 multiannual financial framework (MFF), support was provided mainly through Erasmus+, the European Solidarity Corps, the European Social Fund+, the Framework for research and innovation, Horizon Europe.

The proposal for the next MFF aims at addressing complexities, weaknesses and rigidities' currently present in the Union's overall funding instruments with a long-term budget more focused, simpler, with fewer programmes and more impactful.

Moreover, common areas of action and objectives between the 2021-2027 European Solidarity Corps and Erasmus+ programmes highlight the potential for **enhanced synergy and regulatory coherence**. Bringing all learning mobility, volunteering, cooperation and active citizenship opportunities together provides a **single-entry point** to all opportunities offered by the Union for young people and organisations active in the field of youth, allowing for a more coordinated and effective approach, and easier access for potential participants and beneficiaries.

CONTENT: against this background, the proposed regulation establishes **Erasmus+ 2028-2034**, the Union programme for action in the fields of education and training and also in the fields of youth and sport and lays down the objectives of the Programme, its budget for the period 2028-2034, the forms of Union funding and the rules for providing such funding. This Regulation also sets up the European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps.

Erasmus+ will be reinforced to **EUR 40.8 billion**. This enhanced funding will contribute to a resilient, competitive, and cohesive Europe by promoting high quality lifelong learning, enhancing skills and competences for life and for jobs for all, while fostering Union values, democratic and societal participation, solidarity, social inclusion and equal opportunities, in the EU and beyond.

The proposal sets out the provisions for an Erasmus+ programme that covers education and training, youth and sport and integrates the opportunities offered by the European Solidarity Corps including the European Voluntary Humanitarian Aid Corps under the 2021-2027 MFF, offering a **comprehensive EU instrument** to contribute to high quality lifelong learning, enhance skills and key competences for all, for life and for jobs, while promoting societal engagement and civic education, solidarity and social inclusion.

The Programme is structured around a pillar on **learning opportunities for all** and a pillar on **capacity building** that combines cooperation among organisations and institutions and support to policy development, covering all fields of education and training, youth and sport.