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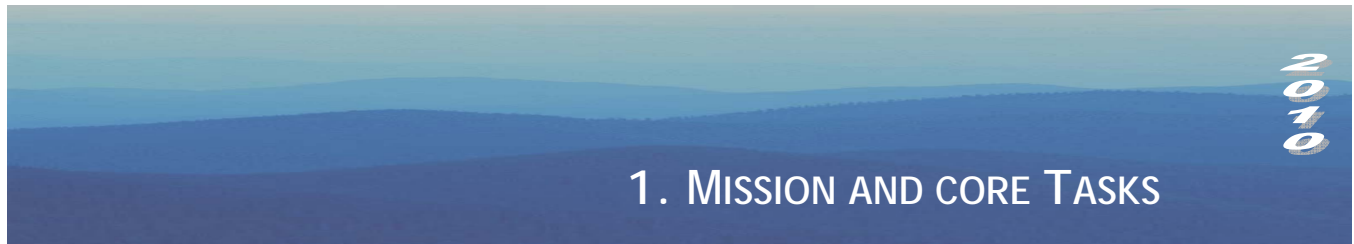
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¹ The Executive Agency Work Programme is based on the 2010 work programmes (grants and procurements) of DGs adopted by the Commission or for which the adoption is under way.
Moreover, according to article 9 § 2 of Regulation N° 58/2003 and to the guidelines concerning the setting up and functioning of the executives agencies (SEC (2006)662), the 2010 Work Programme of the Agency is subject to inter services consultation and is approved by the Commission. Then, the Work Programme is formally adopted by the Steering Committee.

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The mission of the Executive Agency is framed by the general provisions which empower the Commission to set up an executive agency, in particular by Council Regulation (CE) No 58/2003 of 19 December 2002.

The role of the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency is to manage European funding opportunities and networks in the fields of education and training, audiovisual, culture, citizenship and youth.

The 2010 Work Programme takes into account the reorganisation of the services of the Commission in the frame of the new Commission (2010-2014): in particular the responsibility of the MEDIA programme from DG INFSO to DG EAC whereas the responsibility of the Europe for Citizens programme will be transferred from DG EAC to DG COMM.

The Agency has a duty to ensure financial transparency, efficiency and a high quality service to beneficiaries in full co-operation and transparency with the DGs concerned.

The main tasks of the Executive Agency are:

1. Turning policy into action and results

While the European Commission is responsible for policy setting and overall programme management, the implementation of many programme strands has been partly or fully delegated to the Executive Agency. This mandate covers a variety of Europe- and worldwide opportunities for organisations, professionals and individuals, at all stages of life.

The Agency is responsible for most of management aspects of the programmes, including:

- Drawing up conditions and guidelines for funding opportunities;
- Evaluating applications, selecting projects and signing project agreements;
- Financial management;
- Contacts with beneficiaries;
- Monitoring of projects (intermediate and final reports, controls);
- On-site project visits.

In order to inform and support the applicants and beneficiaries, the Agency provides supporting tools and services such as:

- Dedicated web pages and online tools about funding opportunities;
- Events: information days, projects meetings and information visits;
- Information kits and leaflets on how to access and benefit from funding opportunities;
- Responding to inquiries: information mailboxes.

The Agency is committed to helping projects to promote their achievements and exploit their results. In close cooperation with the Commission, the Agency continuously seeks to identify good practices and success stories.

2. Contributing to European knowledge and expertise

- The Eurydice Network provides reliable analysis and comparable data on education systems and policies in Europe. The Agency is responsible for the management of the Network as well as its publications and

databases, which are available on the Eurydice website. Eurydice is funded under the umbrella of the Lifelong learning Programme.

- The Agency contracts studies, through public calls for tenders, on subjects relevant to education, Culture, Youth and Citizenship programmes.

2. Priorities and Indicators

In 2009 the Agency has reached cruising speed as regards its programme management, both in the selection phase and in the implementation of projects. In line with the recommendations of the external interim evaluation report conducted in 2008, the Executive Agency will in 2010 identify and work on those areas where further efficiency improvements are feasible in order to continue to improve its service to customers in due respect of the legal framework. Besides, the focus will be on maintaining the level of service quality.

In order to do so, the Executive Agency has identified 3 operational priorities for the year 2010. With a view to implementing these major priorities, the Executive Agency has defined specific objectives to carry out in 2010 as well as key-indicators to measure progress achieved in the course of the year. The key-priorities and the objectives are defined below as well as the relevant indicators.

1) *Streamlining project selection processes*

Objectives:

- Applicants' level of satisfaction will be monitored
- Areas where further simplification is still possible and desirable within the legal framework will be identified;
- On-line submission will be made available for nearly all calls² of proposals of programme strands of the Agency;
- The duration of the selection and contracting processes will honour fixed deadlines, in full respect of the relevant rules and regulations; where possible, time-frames will be shortened thanks to the further introduction of the online submission procedure.

Key indicators to measure progress in the course of 2010:

- A survey on applicants' satisfaction will be carried out;
- An Agency-level multi-annual roadmap setting the priorities for further simplification for the current/next generation of programmes will be established, defining impact on human and financial resources;
- Further extend the use of on-line submission :
 - 70% of applications submitted on-line (average all programmes)
 - specific target for programme strands where on-line submission is in place: 90% of on-line submissions
- Proposals received / Proposals selected – Targets: +/- 11,000 proposals (\pm 11,000 in 2009), +/- 4,000 selected projects (\pm 4,000 in 2009);
- Time to award grants to beneficiaries (from application deadlines to grant award decision) – Target: for the youth in action and Europe for citizens programmes, finalisation of selections within 4 months from the deadline of submission
Target for the other programmes managed by the Agency : finalisation of selections within 5 months ;
- Time to contract with beneficiaries –Target: for the youth in action and Europe for citizens programmes, 1st grant agreement to be sent to the beneficiary within 1 month from the award decision
Target for the other programmes managed by the Agency, 1st grant agreement to be sent to the beneficiary within 2 months.

2) *Providing improved guidance for project implementation and moving towards harmonised reporting requirements*

Objectives:

- Beneficiaries' level of satisfaction will be monitored;

² Excluding restricted calls (designated beneficiaries)

- The strategy for monitoring to provide guidance for projects will be reviewed and conduct monitoring visits according to the outcomes of the revised strategy;
- Payment processes will be conducted in line with target deadlines set by the Commission;

Key indicators to measure progress in the course of 2010:

- A survey on beneficiaries' satisfaction will be carried out
- % of payments within contractual time: 90%;
- Payment time targets:
 - 1) 20 days for first pre-financing payments;
 - 2) 30 days for interim and final payments due within no more than 45 days and,
 - 3) 75 days in cases where a single time-limit is applied for the report approval and the payment;
- Monitoring activities (visits, meetings, thematic clusters) – Target: more than 260 visits conducted (\pm 250 in 2009).

3) *Supporting and exploiting further the achievements of EU actions*

Objectives:

- Systematic and regular feedback on project selections, project monitoring, project results and success stories will continue to be provided to the Commission with a view to promoting programme results and orientating future calls for proposals and programmes;
- Delivery of outputs of the Eurydice Network, in particular with regard to supporting the Open Method of Coordination in education, will be assured.

Key indicators to measure progress in the course of 2010:

- Delivery of appropriate statistics, best practices and emblematic projects to the Commission services;
- Dissemination of project results
 - EACEA contributions to DG activities (European Year, exhibitions, events, awards, etc);
 - On-line and print publication of selection results, compendia and project reports;
 - Target: transfer of project information on selected projects into the public domain database "EVE" of DG EAC (currently expected to be more than 1000 projects);
- Implementation of Eurydice 2010 Work Programme (outputs) according to planning.



Human Resources

The following table shows the target staff number for the Agency in 2010 in line with the 2010 adopted budget.

ACTIVITES/PROGRAMMES	Budget chapters	Temporary staff (AT)	Contractual agents (AC)	Total	AC enlargement and bilateral agreements (Switzerland)	Total
LLP	1502	31	95	126	7	133
Erasmus Mundus	1502-1908-1909-1910-2106-2201-FED	10	28	38	1	39
Bilateral agreements	150203-1905	1	4	5	0	5
Tempus	1908-1910-2202	6	15	21	0	21
Education and Training		48	142	190	8	198
MEDIA/Audiovisual	0906	13	55	68	4	72
Culture	1504	6	20	26	2	28
Youth	1505	5	19	24	2	26
Citizenship	1506	5	23	28	0	28
Administrative support		19	41	60	4	64
Coordination and communication		6	10	16	0	16
		102	310	412	20	432*

* Subject to the adoption of a decision of the Commission for the FED and to the adaptation of the delegation act of the Agency, 2 additional contractual agents will be allocated for Nyere (intra ACP academic mobility scheme) in the second semester.

Financial Resources (€ x 1000) (Commitment credits)

OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE 2010							
Work programme Activity 2010	Programme	DG	Nomenclature ABB Activities	2010 Budget by ABB Activity	Consolidated 2010 Budget by programme/strand	Total	
EDUCATION AND TRAINING	LLP	DG EAC	15 02 22	124,897,095	124,897,095	402,136,098	
	Erasmus Mundus	DG EAC	15 02 02	94,338,003	102,338,003		
		DG ELARG	22 02 07 (Western Balkans and Turkey)	8,000,000			
			22 02 07 (ECW)	12,000,000			
		DG AIDCO	19 08 01 - 19 09 01 19 10 01 - 19 10 02 19 10 03 (ECW) FED	85,700,000*	105,200,000		
	DG RELEX	19 05 01 (ECW)	7,500,000				
	Total Erasmus Mundus						207,538,003
	Bilateral Agreements/ Bilateral Cooperation Initiatives	DG EAC	15 02 03 (Etats-Unis et Canada)	7,431,000	9,751,000		
		DG RELEX	19 05 01 (Australie-Corée-Japon-Nouvelle-Zélande)	2,320,000**			
	Tempus	DG AIDCO	19 08 01 19 10 02	44,400,000***	59,950,000		
DG ELARG		22 02 07	15,550,000				
AUDIOVISUAL	MEDIA 2007	DG EAC	09 06 01	107,146,503	107,146,503	107,146,503	
CULTURE	Culture Programme	DG EAC	15 04 44	50,840,264	50,840,264	50,840,264	
YOUTH	Youth in Action	DG EAC	15 05 55	20,127,000	21,627,000	21,627,000	
		DG ELARG	22 02 07 (Western Balkans)	1,500,000			
CITIZENSHIP	Europe for Citizens	DG COMM	15 06 66	31,582,000	31,582,000	31,582,000	
Total of 2010 operational appropriations managed by the Executive Agency						613,331,865	

* DG AIDCO appropriations breakdown for action 2 of Erasmus Mundus (85,7 Mio €) is as follows:

19 08 01: 33,000,000
 19 09 01: 4,400,000
 19 10 01: 24,750,000
 19 10 02: 9,750,000
 19 10 03: 3,000,000
 21 06 02: 4,800,000
 FED: 6,000,000

** To be confirmed (Amount foreseen in PDB).

*** DG AIDCO appropriations breakdown for Tempus (44,4 Mio€) is as follows

19 08 01 01: 22,700,000
 19 08 01 03: 16,700,000
 19 10 02 00: 5,000,000

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURE 2010 (operating budget)

Programmes	Budget lines	EUR 27	Participation of EFTA and assigned revenues	Total
LLP	15.010430	18.144.000	1.719.228	19.863.228
Erasmus Mundus	15.010430 19.010430 22.010430 FED	5.516.000	159.586	5.675.586
Bilateral Agreements	15.010432 19.010430	814.000	0	814.000
Tempus	19.010430 22.010430	2.970.000	0	2.970.000
Total Education		27.444.000	1.878.814	29.322.814
Audiovisual	09.010430	8.926.500	444.947	9.371.447
Culture	15.010431	3.999.000	222.774	4.221.774
Youth	15.010431 22010430	2.929.000	298.432	3.227.432
Citizenship	15.010431	3.370.000	11.030	3.381.030
Total		46.668.500	2.855.997	49.524.497

Titre 09 - DG EAC (ex INFSO)	9.371.447
Titre 15 - DG EAC	31.026.420
Titre 15 - DG COMM (ex EAC)	3.381.030
Titre 19 - DG AIDCO	3.966.000
Titre 19 - DG RELEX	354.000
Titre 22 - DG ELARG	1.343.000
FED - DG AIDCO	82.600
Total	49.524.497

Grand total of 2010 financial expenditure managed by the Executive Agency	662,856,362
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4. Operational Specific Objectives (DG)

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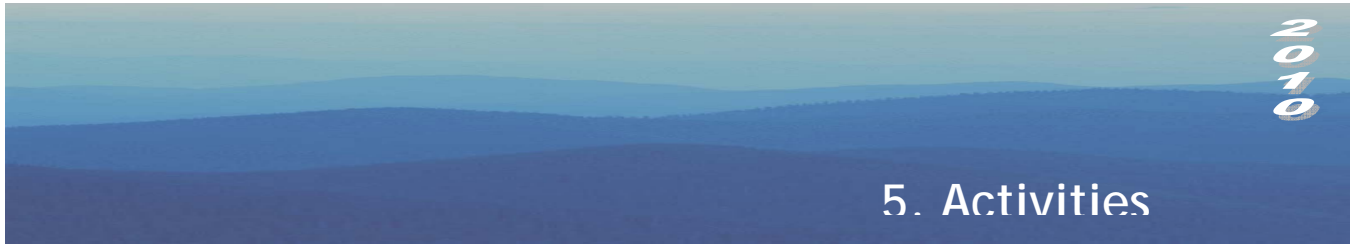
The Executive Agency implements the programmes delegated by the Commission. In the framework of the PDB 2010, specific objectives were identified by the Commission in its activity statements. The specific objectives concerning the programmes delegated to the Agency are summarized below.

In order to facilitate the reading of the Annual Work Programme, a reference will be made to these specific objectives in the next sections related to the ABB activities.

Nb	DG	OBJECTIVES	MEDIA	LLP	TEMPUS	ERASMUS MUNDUS	USA CANADA ICI	CULTURE	YOUTH	CITIZENSHIP
I	EAC	Develop a European area of Lifelong learning and foster mobility in view of strengthening Europe's competitiveness, building its knowledge-intensive economy and deepening the sense of European identity and citizenship		X						
II	EAC	Modernisation and reform of EU education and training systems in line with the objectives and principles agreed in the framework of 'ET		X		X	X			
III	EAC	Multilingualism enables European citizens to use several languages, to access culture and to participate as active citizens: they benefit from better communication, inclusiveness and wider employment as well as business opportunities		X						
IV	EAC (ex INFSO)	To develop the competitiveness of the European cinematographic and audiovisual industry	X							
V	EAC	Support European cultural cooperation by promoting intercultural artistic creation, new professional pathways for artists, increasing the circulation of cultural works throughout Europe as well as the audiences for non-national European works, with a view to promoting cultural diversity, enhancing intercultural dialogue and promoting cultural diversity, enhancing intercultural dialogue and promoting a sense of European citizenship						X		

Nb	DG	OBJECTIVES	MEDIA	LLP	TEMPUS	ERASMUS MUNDUS	USA CANADA ICI	CULTURE	YOUTH	CITIZENSHIP
VI	EAC	Promote the cultural dimension in all external and development policies and programmes, and develop political dialogue and cultural exchanges with 3rd countries, with a view to systematically integrating culture as a vital element in achieving the EU's objectives for international relations						X		
VII	EAC	To involve young people, including those with less opportunities, in projects promoting non formal learning and active citizenship							X	
VIII	COMM (ex EAC)	To develop, for European citizens through the Europe for citizens Programme, a sense of ownership of European project and a sense of European identity on the basis of common and shared values								X
IX	COMM (ex EAC)	To enable civic participation in EU context through the development of civil society and related policy dialogue at European level								X
X	ELARG	Enhance regional integration and cooperation, including implementation of multi-beneficiary programmes				X			X	
XI	ELARG	Support potential candidate Countries Stabilisation and Association Process, including financial assistance			X					
XII	Relex	To advance networking and awareness of the EU amongst industrialised and high-income partners				X	X			
XIII	EuropAid	Furthering the conditions for close co-operation between the EU and its neighbours and for regional and multilateral integration			X	X				
XIV	EuropAid	Strengthening the "Strategic partnership" between Russia and the EU			X	X				
XV	EuropAid	Promote social cohesion in Latin America				X				
XVI	EuropAid	Cooperation with Latin America for non ODA activities in DCI countries				X				
XVII	EuropAid	Promote sustainable development, eradicate poverty and facilitate the integration into the world economy				X				
XVIII	EuropAid	Supporting transition in Central Asia and strengthening links with the EU, in particular for energy security			X	X				
XIX	EuropAid	Cooperation and political activities enhancing EU's capacity to develop economic and trade relations with Asia and Central Asia's Middle Income Countries, Iran, Iraq and Yemen				X				

Nb	DG	OBJECTIVES	MEDIA	LLP	TEMPUS	ERASMUS MUNDUS	USA CANADA ICI	CULTURE	YOUTH	CITIZENSHIP
XX	EuropAid	Poverty alleviation and sustainable development (incl. management of environment and natural resources) of ACP countries as well as their integration into the world economy through economic development, trade and regional integration.				X				
XXI	EuropAid	Stability and democracy through promoting peace, security, the respect of human rights, the rule of law and principles of good governance.				X				



5. ABB ACTIVITIES

5.1. ACTIVITY "EDUCATION AND TRAINING"

The Activity "Education and Training" covers Community action in the field of lifelong learning (education and vocational training) and is strongly related to the goal set at the Lisbon European Council in 2000 and Barcelona Council in 2002 for the European Union to become the most competitive and dynamic knowledge-based economy in the world.

The Executive Agency is involved in the implementation of education and training activities covered by a range of specific instruments that finance and promote Community action in the field of lifelong learning.

One of the *most significant financial instruments* is the "**Lifelong Learning Programme**" (LLP), which aims to contribute through lifelong learning to the development of the European Union as an advanced knowledge society, with sustainable economic development, more and better jobs and greater social cohesion. It also aims to contribute to the development of education and training systems within the European Union so that they become a world quality reference.

In parallel, the overall objectives of the Lisbon Council in field of higher education are implemented through *other instruments* promoting the European Higher education sector and enhancing the intercultural dialogue between Europe and the rest of the world.

In particular, the "**Erasmus Mundus**" Programme promotes the quality of European higher education and intercultural understanding through cooperation with third countries on the one hand and enhances the development of third countries in the field of higher education on the other. It provides opportunities for cooperation with institutions and individuals. Community action is funded through 1) the internal budget of the EC and 2) Commission's financial instruments³ that cover external cooperation with specific third countries.

In addition, the Executive Agency implements joint cooperation projects notably in higher and vocational education, training and youth with specific industrialised countries. Those interventions are covered by i) **bilateral agreements** (EC/United States and EC/Canada) and ii) other **diversified bilateral cooperation initiatives** (Japan, Korea, Australia and New Zealand).

From 2009, the Executive Agency has been entrusted with the management of an additional Action: **Tempus IV**, and with the winding up of the previous Tempus III Programme. The Tempus IV Action is being implemented in close coordination with the Erasmus Mundus scheme and in particular its Action 2 (former External Cooperation Windows) to ensure coherence and to avoid overlap. Whereas Erasmus Mundus Action 2 focuses on individual mobility of students, professors and administrators from partner countries, Tempus will continue to promote institutional cooperation thereby concentrating on the reform and the modernization of higher education systems in the partner countries. Both programmes will therefore complement each other.

³ IPA (Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance), DCI/ICD (Development Cooperation Instrument), ENPI (European Neighbouring Policy Instrument) and ICI (Industrialised Countries Instrument). In 2009, the FED instrument (10th European Development Fund) is not foreseen for the financing of the external cooperation strands of EM II Action 2.

The contribution of the Executive Agency to the implementation of the above cited activities in the field of education and training is detailed by Programme and actions in the subsequent paragraphs.

5.1.1. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAMME (LLP)⁴

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- In cooperation with DG Education and Culture (DG EAC), the Executive Agency ensures the implementation of the centralised actions of the "**Lifelong Learning**" Programme⁵ that contributes through lifelong learning to the development of the Community as an advanced knowledge-based society, with sustainable economic development, more and better jobs and greater social cohesion, while ensuring good protection of the environment for future generations. In particular, Community actions aim to foster interchange, cooperation and mobility between education and training systems within the Community so that they become a world quality reference. The Lifelong Learning programme covers the period 2007-2013.
- In accordance with its mandate, the Executive Agency implements the actions of the Lifelong Learning programme it has been entrusted with, and in particular manages the following funding opportunities provided by the four "sectoral sub-programmes", the "transversal programme" and its four key activities and the "Jean Monnet programme" with its key activities 1 and 3:

I. Sectoral Programmes

The Executive Agency manages support for i) multilateral projects and ii) multilateral networks to develop, disseminate and promote educational best practices, exchanges, experimentation, training and innovation, iii) other initiatives aimed at promoting the objectives of the LLP (accompanying measures) under the following sectoral sub-programmes of LLP and iv) the Erasmus University Charter (EUC), the European Credit Transfer System/Diploma Supplement awards and the Bologna experts project grants:

- 1) *Comenius*: Support for the teaching and learning needs of all those in pre-school and school education up to the level of the end of upper secondary education, and the institutions and organisations providing such education);
- 2) *Erasmus*: Support for the teaching and learning needs of all those in formal higher education and vocational education and training at tertiary level and the institutions and organisations providing or facilitating such education and training;
- 3) *Leonardo da Vinci*: Support for the teaching and learning needs of those in vocational education and training other than at tertiary level as well as the institutions and organisations providing or facilitating such education and training;
- 4) *Grundtvig*: Support for the teaching and learning needs of those in all forms of adult education, as well as the institutions and organisations providing or facilitating such education.

II. Transversal Programme

The Executive Agency manages support for the observation and analysis of policies and systems in the field of lifelong learning, the establishment and regular improvement of reference material, including surveys, statistics, analyses and indicators, action to support transparency and recognition of qualifications and prior learning, and action to support cooperation in quality assurance under the following Key Activities:

- 1) *Key Activity 1 "Policy cooperation and innovation in lifelong learning"*;
- 2) *Key Activity 2 "Promotion of language learning"*;
- 3) *Key Activity 3 "Development of innovative ICT-based content, services, pedagogies and practice for lifelong learning"*;

⁴Financed by the appropriations of budgetary articles 15 02 22 (LLP) and 15 02 09 (Completion of previous programmes in the field of education and training)

⁵ Decision No 1720/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2006

- 4) *Key-Activity 4 "Dissemination and exploitation of results of actions supported under the programme and previous related programmes, and exchange of good practice".*

III. Jean Monnet Programme

The Executive Agency manages funding support for institutions and activities in the field of European integration such as unilateral and multilateral projects in the fields of teaching, information and research activities, and operating grants to support certain operational and administrative costs of European associations active in the field of education and training. The Executive Agency implements the following key activities of the programme:

- 1) *Key Activity 1 "Jean Monnet Action"*
- 2) *Key Activity 3 "Operating grants to support European associations active at European level in the fields of education and training"*

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission's specific objectives

The implementation of the above actions by the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of three specific objectives set by DG EAC and indicated in the general budget 2010 publication:

- I *"Develop an European area of lifelong learning and foster mobility in view of strengthening Europe's competitiveness, building its knowledge-intensive economy and deepening the sense of European identity and citizenship";*
- II *"Modernisation and reform of EU education and training systems in line with the objectives and principles in the framework of the 'ET 2020'";*
- III *"Multilingualism enables European Citizens to use several languages, to access culture and to participate as active citizens; they benefit from better communication, inclusiveness and wider employment as well as business opportunities".*

I. "Develop an European area of lifelong learning and foster mobility in view of strengthening Europe's competitiveness, building its knowledge-intensive economy and deepening the sense of European identity and citizenship" - DG EAC

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 02 22⁶

Responsible unit at the Agency: Units P1-P2-P3

Main expenditure-related outputs – Specific objective II - LLP Programme (2007-2013)

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Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Programme Comenius – Unit P1										
I	1.2	Multilateral projects	9,700,000	CFP	37	262,162	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	1.3	Networks	3,065,000	CFP	7	437,857	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	1.4	Accompanying measures	550,000	CFP	4	137,500	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	1.5	eTwinning CSS (12 months)	1,227,000	PP	1	1,227,000	100%	Oct-09	Nov-09	

⁶ 15 02 22 – Lifelong Learning Programme (2007-2013)

I	1.6	eTwinning NSS	8,330,000	DB	31	268,710	80%	Sept-09	Nov-09	Jan-10 Agency
Subtotal			22,872,000	80						

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Daedline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Programme Erasmus - Unit P2										
I	2.2	Multilateral projects	11,580,000	CFP	42	275,714	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	2.3	Networks	7,520,000	CFP	13	578,462	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	2.4	Accompanying measures	850,000	CFP	7	121,429	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
Subtotal			19,950,000	62						

Erasmus University Charter (Selection without financial implication)				
Erasmus University Charter (EUC) - deadline 30 June 2010	Number of charter awards foreseen	Publication Date	Application deadline	Award decision
Total	400	May-10	June-10	Nov-10 COM
Erasmus European Credit Transfer System /Diploma Supplement (selection without financial implication)				
ECTS/DS	Number of applications	Publication Date	Application deadline	Award decision
Total	200	Oct-09	Jan 10	April 10 Agency

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Daedline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Programme Leonardo da Vinci - Unit P3										
I	3.2	Multilateral projects: Development of innovation, support to Copenhagen/ Maastricht	12,000,000	CFP	31	387,097	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	3.3	Networks	4,200,000	CFP	9	466,667	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	3.4	Accompanying measures	550,000	CFP	5	110,000	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	3.5	ECVET projects	2,000,000	CFP	8	250,000	75%	Apr-10	Aug-10	Oct-10 Agency
I	3.6	EQARF projects	1,200,000	CFP	6	200,000	75%	Apr-10	Aug-10	Oct-10 Agency
I	3.7	ECVET and EQARF coordinating bodies	400,000	PP	2	200,000	100%	Apr-10		
Subtotal			20,350,000	61						

Programme Grundtvig - Unit P3										
I	4.2	Multilateral projects: transfer and development of innovation	15,221,095	CFP	54	281,872	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	4.3	Networks	2,250,000	CFP	4	562,500	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
I	4.4	Accompanying measures	550,000	CFP	4	137,500	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	June-10 Agency
Subtotal			18,021,095		62					
Programme Transversal										
Key Activity 3: ICT - Unit P1										
I	7.1	Multilateral projects	7,000,000	CFP	16	437,500	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
I	7.2	Networks	2,500,000	CFP	6	416,667	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
Subtotal			9,500,000		22					
Key Activity 4: Dissemination and Exploitation of Results - Unit P3										
I	8.1	Multilateral projects - Dissemination and exploitation of results	3,000,000	CFP	12	250,000	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
Subtotal			3,000,000		12					
Programme Jean Monnet - Unit P2										
Key Activity 1: Jean Monnet Action - Art. 3.3(a)										
I	9.1	Unilateral projects: Jean Monnet Chairs, Centres of Excellence and Modules	3,897,000	CFP	100	38,970	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
I	9.2	Unilateral projects: Associations of Professors and Researchers	65,000	CFP	3	21,667	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
I	9.3	Unilateral projects: Information and research activities	1,093,000	CFP	30	36,433	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
I	9.4	Multilateral projects: Research groups	219,000	CFP	3	73,000	75%	Oct-09*	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
Subtotal			5,274,000		136					

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Daedline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Key Activity 3: operating grants to support other institutions and associations - Art. 3.3(c)										
I	11.1	European associations active in the field of education and training	1,100,000	CFP-OP (renewal)	11	100,000	75% (budget based or flat rate)	July 2007 **	renewal	Feb-10 Agency
			600,000	CFP-OP (new)	6			Oct 09	Dec-09	
Subtotal			1,700,000	17						

Total objective I	100,667,095	452	222,715
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* Specific call launched by the Agency for annual operating grants.

** Framework partnership agreement signed in 2008 for 3 years

CFP: grants managed following a call for proposals

CFP-OP: grants managed following a call for proposals – Operating Grants

DB: financial contributions to designated bodies

PP: public procurement

CP: call for proposals - CT: call for tenders

II "Modernisation and reform of European education and training systems by the Member States in view of making them a world wide reference by 2010"- DG EAC
Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective
Budget Heading 15 02 22 ⁷
Responsible unit at the Agency: Units P2-P3-P9

Main expenditure-related outputs – Specific objective II - LLP Programme (2007-2013)										
Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Daedline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Programme Transversal										
Key Activity 1: Policy Cooperation and Innovation										
II	5.2	Studies and comparative research - Unit P9	3,900,000	CFP	6	650,000	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
II	5.4	Support for European cooperation in education and training - Unit P3	2,800,000	CFP	35	80,000	75%	Apr-10	Aug-10	Oct-10 Agency
II	5.7	Eurydice - national units - Unit P9	1,100,000	DB	35	31,429	75%	Dec-09	Feb-10	Mar-10 Agency
II	5.9	Euroguidance - Unit P3	2,280,000	DB	30	76,000	50%	Sept-09	Nov 09	Feb-10 Agency
II	5.10	Europass - Unit P3	2,060,000	DB	31	66,452	50%	Sept-09	Nov 09	Feb-10 Agency
II	5.15	Adult skills survey	1,300,000	DB	20	65,000	75%	1st semester	May-10	July-10

⁷ 15 02 22 – Lifelong Learning Programme (2007-2013)

		(PIAAC)-Unit P9						2010		Agency
II	5.19	Learning to learn pilot tests – Unit P9	300,000	DB	20	15,000	80%	May-10	Sept-10	Nov-10 Agency
II	5.20 **	Learning to learn pilot tests Coordination – Unit P9	150,000	PP	1	150,000	100%	May-10	Sept-10	Nov-10 Agency
II	5.21 **	Civic indicators (CZ+FL)-Unit P3	40,000	MON	2	20,000	80	Aug-09	May - 10	July-10 Agency
Total objective II			13,930,000		180	77,389				

* There is a single, consolidated LLP call for proposals for these actions issued by the Commission

** According to the revised 2010 annual work programme to be adopted in 2010

CFP: grants managed following a call for proposals

DB: grants to designated bodies

MON: grants to bodies with a de jure or de facto monopoly and for actions with specific characteristics that require a particular type of technical competence, high degree of specialisation or administrative power.

PP: public procurement

CP: call for proposals CT: call for tenders

III "Multilingualism enables European Citizens to use several languages, to access culture and to participate as active citizens; they benefit from better communication, inclusiveness and wider employment as well as business opportunities" – DG EAC

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 02 22⁸

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P1

Main expenditure-related outputs – Specific objective III - LLP Programme (2007-2013)

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/ intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Daedline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Programme Transversal										
Key Activity 2: Language Learning - Unit P1										
III	6.1	Multilateral projects: new language materials, online courses, awareness raising	6,950,000	CFP	21	330,952	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
III	6.2 **	Networks	2,400,000	CFP	5	480,000	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
III	6.3	Accompanying measures	350,000	CFP	3	116,667	75%	Oct-09*	Mar-10	July-10 Agency
III	6.6 **	Platforms active at a European level in the field of multilingualism	600,000	CFP	2	300,000				Agency
Total objective III			10,300,000		31	332,258				

* There is a single, consolidated LLP call for proposals for these actions issued by the Commission

** According to the revised 2010 annual work programme to be adopted in 2010

CFP: grants managed following a call for proposals

CP: call for proposals

PP: public procurement

CT: call for tenders

⁸ 15 02 22 – Lifelong Learning Programme (2007-2013)

Total Budget 2010 Summary – Lifelong Learning – 15 02 22 (Executive Agency)

Total budget		Number of grants/ interventions planed	Average contribution /intervention
Total objective I	100,667,095	452	222,715
Total objective II	13,930,000	180	77,389
Total objective III	10,300,000	31	332,258
Total	124,897,095	663	188,382

3. Description and purpose of the actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the "Lifelong Learning Programme" (2007-2013)

a) Sectoral sub-programme "Comenius" (unit P1)

Via the sub-programme "Comenius" (unit P1), the Community support tends to develop knowledge and understanding among young people and educational staff of the diversity of European cultures and languages and its value. It also aims at helping young people acquire the basic life-skills and competences necessary for their personal development, for future employment and for active European citizenship.

In this respect, the Agency implements the following actions:

- Multilateral projects (Action 1.2);
- Multilateral networks (Action 1.3);
- Accompanying measures (Action 1.4);
- "eTwinning CSS" (Services contract) (measure 1.5.) (contract following a tender in 2007);
- "eTwinning NSS" (National Support Services) (measure 1.6) (renewal of operating grants);

b) Sectoral sub-programme "Erasmus" (unit P2)

The sectoral sub-programme "Erasmus" supports the achievement of the European Area of Higher Education and reinforces the contribution of higher education and advanced vocational education to the process of innovation.

In this respect, the Agency implements the following Erasmus actions:

- The management of the "Erasmus University Charters" (EUC) : where the Agency contributes to the organisation of mobility as integral part of action 2 (coordinated by the Commission with the support of National Agencies), including the follow up (and related tasks) of the award of charters to higher education institutions;
- Multilateral projects (Action 2.2);
- Multilateral networks (Action 2.3);
- Accompanying Measures (Action 2.4);
- The activities of the "National Teams of Bologna Experts" (2009: action 2.4 – designated beneficiaries), include the management of the labels ECTS/DS selection (call launched in October 2009 with a deadline on 15/01/10).
- There will be no call in 2010 for the National Teams of Bologna Experts" since the call of 2009 covers two years. The next call for the "National Teams of Bologna Experts" will be in 2011

c) Sectoral sub-programme "Leonardo da Vinci" (unit P3)

The objectives of the sectoral sub-programme "Leonardo da Vinci" are to support participants in training and further training activities in the acquisition and the use of knowledge, skills and qualifications to facilitate personal development, employability and participation in the European labour market; to support improvements in quality and innovation in vocational education and

training systems, institutions and practices and to enhance the attractiveness of vocational education and training and mobility for employers and individuals and to facilitate the mobility of working trainees.

The Agency implements the following actions:

- Multilateral projects: development of innovation (Action 3.2);
- Multilateral networks (Action 3.3);
- Accompanying measures (Action 3.4).
- ECVET and EQARF specific call for proposals (Actions 3.5 and 3.6)
- ECVET and EQARF : a call for tender will be launched to select EQARF coordinating bodies while a negotiated procedure will be handled for ECVET coordinating bodies

d) Sectoral sub-programme "Grundtvig" (unit P3)

The objectives of the sub-programme "Grundtvig" are to respond to the educational challenge of an ageing population in Europe and to help provide adults with pathways to improving their knowledge and competences.

The Agency manages the following actions belonging integral part to the general 2010 call for proposals:

- Multilateral projects (Action 4.2);
- Multilateral networks (Action 4.3);
- Accompanying measures (measure 4.4).

e) Transversal Programme (units P1, P2, P3 and P9)

The "Transversal" programme aims at encouraging European cooperation in fields covering the sectoral sub-programmes and aims at promoting the quality and transparency of Member States' education and training systems.

This sub-programme is divided into 4 Key Activities {Key Activity (KA)} related to:

1) Policy Cooperation and Innovation (KA 1) pour for which the Agency implements the following actions:

Unit P2:

- NARICs (National Academic Recognition Information Centers): the network aims at improving academic recognition of diplomas and periods of study in the participating countries of the Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP). The EACEA is responsible for implementing the Invitation to Submit addressed to the NARIC network for co-funding specific projects that support their activities. This year, however, there will be no call since the call 2009 covers 2 years.

Unit P3:

- Support for European cooperation in education and training (Action 5.4) (specific call)
- Euroguidance Grants (Action 5.9);
- Europass Grants (Action 5.10);
- Development of Civic indicators (Action 5.21).

Unit P9:

- Studies and comparative research (Action 5.2), integral part of the general call for proposals;
- Eurydice national Units (Action 5.7)
The Executive Agency coordinates the activities of the National Units of the information network on Education in Europe "Eurydice". The "Eurydice" action, financed under the transversal sub-programme, is different from the activities of the Lifelong Learning Programme by its nature (production of studies for the decision makers in education);
- The development of indicators on adults skills (Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competences - PIAAC 2010) (Action 5.15 – designated beneficiaries);
- Learning to learn pilot tests (Action 5.19): The grant is aimed at supporting participation of interested Member States in a pilot project which would test and further develop a teacher questionnaire which could be used in a forthcoming European Survey on learning to learn competences.
- Learning to learn pilot tests –coordination– (Action 5.20): To develop the teacher questionnaire, and to co-ordinate the overall analysis of the results of the pilot project on the technical level.

More information on the 2010 activities of the Executive Agency related to the implementation of the Eurydice action can be found under point 5.

2) Promotion of Language Learning (KA 2) (unit P1) for which the Agency manages the following actions:

- Multilateral projects (Action 6.1);
- Multilateral networks (Action 6.2);
- Accompanying measures (Action 6.3)
- Platforms (Action 6.6) concern a structured dialogue at European level between the European Commission and stakeholders on language issues, in line with the new strategic framework for European cooperation in education and training ("ET 2020").

3) Development of ICT-based content and services (unit P1)

Within the framework of this Key Activity, the Agency manages the actions related to multilateral projects (Action 7.1) and networks (Action 7.2) which are also included in the general call for proposals.

4) Dissemination and exploitation of results of actions supported under the programme and previous related programmes, and exchange of good practice (KA 4) (unit P3)

The Agency manages multilateral projects (Action 8.1) which are part of the general call for proposals.

f) Programme "Jean Monnet" (unit P2)

The programme "Jean Monnet" aims at stimulating teaching, research and reflection activities in the field of European integration studies. It also aims at supporting the existence of an appropriate range of institutions and associations focusing on issues relating to European integration and on education and training in a European perspective.

This programme is divided into 3 Key Activities out of which the Agency gives its support for two of them.

1) Concerning Key Activity 1 (KA 1), "Action Jean Monnet" - Art.3.3 (a), the Agency manages the whole of the actions of this activity that are included in the general call for proposals.

➤ Unilateral projects:

Jean Monnet Chairs, Centres of Excellence and Modules Jean Monnet (Action 9.1);
Associations of Professors and Researchers (Action 9.2);
Information and Research activities (Action 9.3).

➤ Multilateral projects: research groups (Action 9.4).

2) Concerning Key Activity 3 (KA 3) of sub-programme "Jean Monnet", "operating grants to support European associations active at European level in the field of education and training", the Agency implements the following action:

➤ Association's actives in the field of education and training (Action 11.1).

4. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010

- On the basis of the 2010 annual work programme concerning the Lifelong Learning programme⁹, the Executive Agency will organize the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the general call for proposals launched by DG EAC in October 2009.
- The Executive Agency (unit P3) will also publish a specific call for proposals on ECVET (European Credit Transfer for VET) and EQARF (European Quality Assurance Reference Framework) projects and on the support for European cooperation in education and training and then will organise the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received.
- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot controls**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects. The Executive Agency will also work closely with DG EAC and the National Agencies to support the effective dissemination of results from the programme and the organisation of **cluster events for ongoing projects** around particular themes.
- As regards **calls for tenders**, a tender for Learning to learn pilot tests (coordination) for €150,000, 100% financing, will be published in the 1st semester 2010. A tender will also be launched to select the EQARF coordinating bodies.
- The Executive Agency will provide operating grants to European Associations (Jean Monnet Programme and **designated bodies** of the Member States (Europass, Euroguidance), subventions to participation of Member States in the development of indicators and will manage the applications and annual reports of such organisations.
- In addition, with a view to raising awareness of the funding opportunities provided by the Lifelong Learning Programme, one **information day** will be organised centrally in Brussels in November 2010 for the 2011 call for proposals. In addition, the Executive Agency will contribute to national events held in participating countries by providing relevant materials and presenting the LLP programme, where practicable

⁹ Commission decision No C(2008)6258 of 7 November 2008, under revision by the Commission

- In line with the **simplification measures** implemented in 2009 regarding e-forms applications, the Executive Agency will conduct a major revision of the application form to be used for the 2011 call, in order to make it simpler for the applicants to use, more relevant for the experts and to extend its use to all actions, including Jean Monnet. For the Jean Monnet Programme a flat rate based funding will be introduced as of 2010.
- In addition, the Executive Agency will undertake a **review of its monitoring procedures** for the LLP projects, with a view to increasing harmonisation across the units and ensuring good practice
- The Executive Agency will also implement the relevant tasks towards the completion of the following **previous programmes/actions** in the field of education and training¹⁰: i) Leonardo da Vinci II, ii) Socrates, iii) eLearning and iv) to promote bodies active at European level and support specific activities in the field of education and training (Jean Monnet Action and Centres d'études et de recherche (CER)).

5. Eurydice

The responsibility for managing the Eurydice Network was fully transferred from DG EAC to the Executive Agency on 16 September 2008. The "Eurydice" unit coordinates the activity of the Eurydice Network, drafts and produces its publications, promotes them at the European level and designs and administers its databases, as well as the central website. National units help to gather the information and circulate it on a national basis. The output of the Eurydice network is intended for all those directly or indirectly involved in educational policy-making at local, regional, national or European level, but also for the general public.

Core activities and tasks of the Agency regarding Eurydice in 2010

The central objective is, via the production of studies, reports, and comparative analysis to contribute to a better understanding of European education systems and to support and facilitate European cooperation in this field.

On taking over the responsibility for Eurydice in September 2008, the Agency launched a reflection on the future development of the network, in cooperation with DG EAC and consulting the National Units. The outcome of this was agreement that the Eurydice Work Programme should be aligned with the priority themes identified in the new ET 2020 strategic framework for cooperation in education and training and that it should cover a two year period. A mission statement for the Eurydice Network was also agreed.

The following main output indicators are identified in the Eurydice 2010-11 work programme approved by the Lifelong Learning Programme Committee on 16-17 November 2009. The indicators given relate to 2010.

	<i>Outputs for 20010</i>	Delivery date
1	Gender differences in educational outcomes	January 2010
2	Focus on Higher Education 2010	March 2010 (for Bologna Ministerial Conference)
3	Key Data on use of ICT in Education	December 2010
4	Study on Reading Literacy	December 2010
5	Summary report on Adult Education	December 2010
6	Summary report on regulations on year repetition of school years	October 2010
7	Organisation of school time 2010/11 and Organisation of academic time 2010/11	June 2010
8	2010 "Eurybase" national descriptions of education systems	Spring 2010

¹⁰ Budgetary article 15 02 09

Besides finalising the publications mentioned above, the Agency will begin the following studies for completion in 2011:

- Key Data on Higher Education (1st trimester 2011)
- Key Data on Language Teaching in Schools (completion 2012)
- Teaching of Sciences (2nd trimester 2011)
- Teaching of Mathematics (2nd trimester 2011)
- Study on Learning Mobility (scope still to be defined by EAC: end 2011)

The Agency will promote the Network and communicate its output to its target audience, covering a wide range of actions, such as press conferences and releases, support for national conference, development of a new web site etc.

5.1.2. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ERASMUS MUNDUS PROGRAMME

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- In cooperation with DG EAC, DG AIDCO, DG RELEX and DG ELARG, the Executive Agency will contribute in 2010 to the implementation of the Erasmus Mundus 2009-2013 Programme¹¹ that succeeds the first phase 2004-2008. The new Erasmus Mundus programme aims to promote European higher education, to help improve and enhance the career prospects of students and to promote intercultural understanding through cooperation with third countries.
- In accordance with the legal provisions in force, the Executive Agency will implement the three actions of the Erasmus Mundus programme and will in particular manage the following funding opportunities provided by these actions:
 - 1) *Action 1: Erasmus Mundus Joint programmes (masters and doctorates) of outstanding academic quality, including a scholarship scheme:* Support for EU and third-country higher education institutions, research organisations, other organisations active in the field of higher education and enterprises; Support for European and third-country students, doctoral candidates and academics (scholarships and fellowships);
 - 2) *Action 2: Erasmus Mundus Partnerships of high academic quality between European and third country higher education institutions as a basis for structured cooperation, exchange and mobility at all levels of higher education, including a scholarships scheme:* Support for European and specific third countries higher education institutions to implement partnerships, organize exchanges of students, academics and higher education staff, use of compatible systems for mutual recognition of study and research period;
 - 3) *Action 3: Promotion of European higher education through measures enhancing the attractiveness of Europe as an educational destination and a centre of excellence at world level:* Support for projects to develop information and promotion activities aimed at enhancing the attractiveness, profile, image and visibility of, and accessibility to, European higher education (e.g. : conferences, seminars, workshops, studies, analyses, pilot projects).

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objectives

The implementation of the above cited actions of the Erasmus Mundus 2009-2013 programme by the Executive Agency helps the Commission pursue a range of goals within the education and training political fields.

Political responsibilities are shared within the Commission and funding sources vary for the implementation of the above mentioned Actions.

Therefore, the details on the Executive Agency contribution to the achievement of the specific objectives are presented by "Actions", according to their specificities and in compliance with the legal basis of the Erasmus Mundus programme.

¹¹ Decision No 1298/2008/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 2008.

**5.1.2. A. IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTION 1 (INCLUDING THE WESTERN BALKANS AND TURKEY WINDOW)¹²
AND ACTION 3**

- **Action 1** aims to promote an offer of quality as regards higher education, presenting a properly European added-value and exerting an attraction at the same time in the European Union and beyond its borders.

In co-operation with the DG EAC, the executive Agency implements the whole action which consists in, on the one hand, selecting jointly designed second and third cycle (masters and doctorates) programmes, delivered by a consortium of European and, if relevant, third country universities in order to reinforce the attraction and the visibility of European teaching. On the other hand, Action 1 also aims at encouraging highly qualified graduates and academics of the whole world to acquire a qualification and/or experiences within the European Union and to enable them to do it via scholarships and fellowships for master students, doctoral candidates and academics.

In this respect and for the master Erasmus Mundus classes starting in academic year 2010/2011, Action 1 entails a specific window at the attention to students coming from the Western Balkans (i.e. Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Kosovo under UNSC Resolution 1244/99, Montenegro et Serbia) and from Turkey (measure 1.3).). These additional scholarships will be funded by DG ELARG through the budget line 22 02 07 01 ("Enlargement process and Strategy" – Regional and Horizontal Programmes)
- **Action 3** of the program Erasmus Mundus "Promotion of Higher Education" aims at making higher education European more attractive. The EU support granted within the framework of this action tends to improve the brand image, the visibility and the accessibility of European higher education. For this purpose, it gives a support for activities of promotion and marketing, studies, conferences, seminars, publications, joint actions of promotion and tools jointly worked out to support international education and student mobility. Within the framework of Action 3 for the year 2010, the executive Agency will provide grants for attractiveness projects (via an open call for proposals) and to designated beneficiaries. The latter grants will be awarded to partnerships of Erasmus Mundus National Structures for their promotion and information activities (within the framework of a restricted call for proposals)
- The Action 1 expenditure related outputs presented in the table below correspond to the yearly award of grants to previously selected consortia of universities, in the context of their five years framework partnership agreement and through an "invitation to submit" launched by the Agency. These grants are awarded to cover, on the one hand the administrative cost of the consortia (items 1.1 and 1.2), and on the other individual scholarships/fellowships for students, doctoral candidates and scholars enrolled in these consortia (items 1.3 to 1.8)
- In parallel, in the context of the 2010 Erasmus Mundus open call for proposals, the Agency will select new consortia of universities that will be funded as from 2011 (in the context of a five years Framework Partnership Agreement).

¹² Financed via 15 02 02 05, 22 02 07 01

- The implementation of Action 1 and of Action 3 by the Executive Agency contribute to the achievement of the following specific objectives set by DG EAC and DG ELARG in their 2010 Annual Work Programmes and/or indicated in the 2010 general budget publication:

II Modernisation and reform of European education and training systems by the Member States in view of making them a worldwide reference by 2010 – 1502 (DG EAC);

X Enhance regional integration and co-operation, including implementation of regional and multi-beneficiary programmes- 2202 (DG ELARG).

II "Modernisation and reform of European education and training systems by the Member States in view of making them a worldwide reference by 2010" - DG EAC

X "Enhance regional integration and co-operation, including implementation of multi-beneficiary programmes" - DG ELARG -22 02 07 01

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objectives

Budget Heading 15 02 02¹³ (DG EAC)
Budget Heading 22 02 07 01¹⁴ (DG ELARG)
Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P4

Main expenditure-related outputs - Specific objective II - Programming 2010 - ERASMUS MUNDUS - 15.02.02.05 (DG EAC)

Nb Specific obj	Index	Actions and sub-actions	Budget	Type of initiatives financed	Number of grants / contracts	Average value of contracts/ grants	Maximum rate of cofinancing	Number of beneficiaries expected	Publication date of the call	Calls deadlines	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Action 1 - Erasmus Mundus Joint Programmes											
II	1.1	Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Programmes	3,480,000	CFP (FPA) (GP)	66**	30,000	Lump sums	700 universities	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	June-10 Agency
II				CFP ¹⁵ (new FPA) (GP)	50**		Lump sums	300 universities			
II	1.2	Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctoral Programmes	650,000	CFP (new FPA) (GP)	13**	50,000	Lump sums	80 universities	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	April-10 Agency

¹³ 15 02 02 05 – Erasmus Mundus 2009-2013

¹⁴ 22 02 07 01 - ABB Activity "Enlargement process and strategy" - Regional and horizontal programmes (appropriations for all candidate and potential candidate countries).

¹⁵ Among the 50 new FPAs that will start in 2010, 19 were renewals of existing FPAs that came to an end in 2009 and 31 correspond to new proposals selected in April 2009

II	1.3	Scholarships for third-country students at masters level	48,674,021	CFP (GP)	Covered by action 1.1	43,811	Lump sums	1,111 students	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	Febr.-10 Agency
X			8,000,000 (DG ELARG)	CFP (GP)			Lump sums	200 students	Invitation to submit Feb-10	n/a	June-10 Agency
II	1.4	Scholarships for European students at masters level	15,769,182	CFP (GP)	Covered by action 1.1	18,379	Lump sums	858 students	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	June-10 Agency
II	1.5	Scholarships for third-country academics at masters level	6,681,600	CFP (GP)	Covered by action 1.1	14,400	Lump sums	464 professors	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	June-10 Agency
II	1.6	Scholarships for European academics at masters level	2,232,000	CFP (GP)	Covered by action 1.1	14,400	Lump sums	155 professors	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	June-10 Agency
II	1.7	Scholarships for third-country students at doctoral level	9,004,320	CFP (GP)	Covered by action 1.2	115,440	Lump sums	78 Doctoral candidates	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	April-10 Agency
II	1.8	Scholarships for European students at doctoral level	5,846,880	CFP (GP)	Covered by action 1.2	112,440	Lump sums	52 Doctoral candidates	Invitation to submit Jan-10	n/a	April-10 Agency
Total Action 1			100,338,003		129**						

**In addition to the 129 interventions financed in 2010 (116 under action 1.1 and 1.3 and 13 under action 1.2), 22 new framework partnerships agreements (12 under action 1.1. and 10 under action 1.2) will be issued in 2010 and financed in 2011.

Nb specific obj	Index	Actions and sub-actions	Budget 2009	Type of initiatives financed	Number of grants/ contracts	Average value of contracts/ grants	Maximum rate of cofinancing	Number of beneficiaries expected	Publi-cation date of the call	Calls deadlines	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Action 3 - Enhancing attractiveness											
II	3.1	Attractiveness projects	1,000,000	CF 5GP)P	5	200,000	75%	25	Dec-09	April 2010	July 2010 Agency
II	3.2	Information grants for National Structures	1,000,000	CFP (restricted call)	4	250,000	90%	100	April-10	May 2010	July 2010 Agency
Total Action 3			2,000,000		9			125			
Total Actions 1 and 3			102,338,003		138	741,580					

CFP: Grants awarded with a call for proposals
 PP Public procurement
 FPA: Framework partnership agreement
 GP: Guide Programme

Total 2010 budget Summary – Actions 1 and 3 Erasmus Mundus

Budget total		Number of planed interventions
Total specific objective II (DG EAC) (Actions 1 and 3)	94,338,003	138
Total specific objective X (DG ELARG) (measure 1.3)	8,000,000	
Main total	102,338,003	138

The main tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010 towards the implementation of Action 1 and Action 3 are detailed in chapter 5.1.2.C.

5.1.2. B. ERASMUS MUNDUS ACTION 2 (PARTNERSHIPS)

- Action 2 Partnerships aim at promoting institutional cooperation and mobility activities between Europe and Third-Countries Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). This Action is built on the previous community programme External Cooperation Window (2006-2008) with a wider geographical coverage, a larger scope and differentiated objectives.
- The Action 2 is divided into two strands:
 1. EMA2-STRAND1: Partnerships with countries covered by the ENPI, DCI, EDF and IPA instruments¹⁶ (former External Cooperation Window)
 2. EMA2-STRAND2: Partnerships with countries and territories covered by the Industrialized Country Instruments (ICI)¹⁷
- Action 2 provides:
 1. Support for the establishment of cooperation partnerships between European HEIs and HEIs from targeted third countries/territories with the objective of organising and implementing structured individual mobility arrangements between the European and the third country partners.
 2. Scholarships of various length - depending on the priorities defined for the third countries/territories concerned, the level of studies or the particular arrangements agreed within the partnership - for European¹⁸ and third countries/territories individuals (students, scholars, researchers, professionals).

Similarly to Action 1, the two strands of Action 2 pursue objectives of quality. In addition to that, EMA2-STRAND1 aims specifically at objectives of development. Contrary to Actions 1 and 3, which are funded from the Community budget allocated to the Education activities of the European Union, Action 2 activities are funded by different financial instruments available in the context of the External Relations activities of the Union (i.e. the European Neighbourhood and Partnership instrument, the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance, the Development Cooperation and Economic Cooperation policy instrument, the European Development Fund and the Industrialised Countries Instrument). Because of the diversity in the policy objectives covered by these financial instruments, but also due to the different needs and priorities of the third countries concerned, the Action 2 implementation rules may vary considerably from one year to another and from one partner country to another.

¹⁶ ENPI - European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council)

DCI - Development Cooperation Instrument (Regulation (EC) No 1905/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council)

IPA - Instrument of Pre-accession Assistance (Council Regulation (EC) No 1085/2006)

EDF - The [European Development Fund \(EDF\)](#) is the main instrument for providing Community assistance for development cooperation under the Cotonou Agreement: "the Partnership Agreement between the members of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States of the one part and the European Community and its Member States of the other part".

¹⁷ ICI: Council Regulation (EC) No 1934/2006

¹⁸ The possibility to award scholarships to European individuals depends on the financial instrument used to fund the cooperation activities with the third country concerned. Applicants are invited to refer to the annual Call for Proposals for detailed information applicable to Action 2 cooperation activities with individual third countries.

- The implementation of Action 2 by the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following specific objectives set by DG EuropeAid, DG RELEX and DG ELARG in their 2010 Annual Work Programmes and/or indicated in the 2010 general budget publication:

X Enhance regional co-operation, including implementation of regional and multi-beneficiary programmes – 22 02 07 (DG ELARG);

XII To advance networking and awareness of the EU amongst industrialised and high-income partners- 19 05 01 (DG RELEX);

XIII Furthering the conditions for close cooperation between the EU and its neighbours and for regional and multilateral integration – 19 08 01 (DG EuropeAid);

XIV Strengthening the "Strategic partnership" between Russia and the EU – 19 08 01 (DG EuropeAid);

XV Promote social cohesion in Latin America – 19 09 01 (DG EuropeAid)

XVI Cooperation with Latin America for non ODA activities in DCI countries – 19 09 01 (DG EuropeAid)

XVII Promote sustainable development, eradicate poverty and facilitate the integration into the world economy – 19 10 01 and 19 10 03 (DG EuropeAid);

XVIII Supporting transition in Central Asia and strengthening links with EU – 19 10 02 (DG EuropeAid);

XIX Cooperation and political activities enhancing EU's capacity to develop economic and trade relations with Asia and Central Asia's Middle Income Countries, Iran, Iraq and Yemen – 19 10 04 (DG EuropeAid);

XX Poverty alleviation and sustainable development (incl. management of environment and natural resources) of ACP countries as well as their integration into the world economy through economic development, trade and regional integration - 21 06 02 (DG EuropeAid);

XXI Stability and democracy through promoting peace, security, the respect of human rights, the rule of law and principles of good governance- 21 06 02 (DG EuropeAid).

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objectives

Budget Headings 19 05 01¹⁹ (DG RELEX)
19 08 01²⁰, 19 09 01²¹, 19 09 03²², 19 10 01²³, 19 10 02²⁴, 19 10 03²⁵, 19 10 04²⁶, 21 06 02²⁷ (DG
AIDCO)

22 02 07²⁸ (DG ELARG)

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P4

▪ **Global overview of 2010 appropriations and cooperation instruments**

The overall indicative amount made available under the partnerships is around 105,2 Mio € for the following geographical windows:

Geographical windows	Cooperation Instrument	Indicative Global Amount – Mio €
EMA2-STRAND1		
South Mediterranean and Eastern Europe and Russia	ENPI	33
Middle East Region: Yemen Iran Iraq	DCI	3
Central Asian Republics	DCI	9,75
Western Balkans	IPA	12
Asia Region	DCI	24,75
Argentina	DCI	4,4
South Africa	DCI	4,8
ACP Countries	FED	6
EMA2-STRAND2		
North America	ICI	1
Pacific	ICI	1,5
East Asia	ICI	1,5
South-East Asia	ICI	1,4
Gulf Country	ICI	2,1
TOTAL		105,2

¹⁹ 19 05 01 – Cooperation with industrialised non-member countries

²⁰ 19 08 01 01 – European Neighbourhood and Partnership financial cooperation with Mediterranean countries

19 08 01 03 – European Neighbourhood and Partnership financial cooperation with Eastern Europe, including Russia

²¹ 19 09 01 – Cooperation with developing countries in Latin America

²² 19 09 03 - Activities excluding the development aid (Latin America)

²³ 19 10 01 01 – Cooperation with developing countries in Asia

²⁴ 19 10 02 – Cooperation with developing countries in Central Asia

²⁵ 19 10 03 – Cooperation with Iraq, Iran and Yemen

²⁶ 19 10 04 – Activities excluding the development aid (Asia, Central Asia; Iraq, Iran and Yemen)

²⁷ 21 06 02 – Relations with South Africa

²⁸ 22 02 07 01 - Enlargement process and strategy - Regional and horizontal programmes (appropriations for all candidate and potential candidate countries).

▪ **Detailed overview of 2010 outputs and planning**

Main expenditure-related outputs – Programming 2010 - Erasmus Mundus Action 2											
Nb specific obj	Index	Actions	Total Budget EUR-27 M€	Type of initiatives financed	Number of grants	Average cost - M€	Maximum rate of co-financing	Number of beneficiaries expected:	Publication date of Calls for Proposals	Calls deadlines	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
EMA2-STRAND1											
1 ENPI - SOUTH MEDITERRANEAN and EASTERN EUROPE and RUSSIA											
19080101											
XIII	Lot 1	Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia	5,2	CFP	1	5,2	lump-sums	180	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
XIII	Lot 2	Egypt	2,9	CFP	1	2,9	lump-sums	110	Nov-09	Apr-10	
XIII	Lot 3	West Bank Gaza, Israël	2,3	CFP	1	2,3	lump-sums	90	Nov-09	Apr-10	
XIII	Lot 4	Lebanon, Syria, Jordan	2,6	CFP	1	2,6	lump-sums	95	Nov-09	Apr-10	
Total			13		4	3,250		475			
19080103											
XIV	Lot 5	Russia	12	CFP	3	4	lump-sums	390	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
XIII	Lot 6	Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan	2,7	CFP	1	2,7	lump-sums	100	Nov-09	Apr-10	
XIII	Lot 7	Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus	5,3	CFP	1	5,3	lump-sums	200	Nov-09	Apr-10	
Total			20		5	4		690			
Total ENPI + Russia			33		9	3,667		1165			
2 DCI – MIDDLE EAST REGION (YEMEN, IRAN, IRAQ)											
191003											
XVII-XIX	Lot 8	Yemen, Iran, Iraq	3	CFP	1	3	lump-sums	100	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total I			3		1	3		100			
3 DCI - CENTRAL ASIAN REPUBLICS											
191002											
XVIIIX VIII XIX	Lot 9	Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan	9,75	CFP	5	1,95	lump-sums	350	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total			9,75		5	1,95		350			
4 IPA - WESTERN BALKANS											
22 02 07 01 (following Commission decision)											
X	Lot 10	Albania Bosnia & Herzegovina the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Kosovo (UNSCR 1244) Montenegro Serbia	12	CFP	3	4	lump-sums	660	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency

Total		12		3	4		660				
5		DCI - ASIA REGIONAL									
19 10 01 01 (following Commission decision)											
XVII XIX	Lot 11	Afghanistan Bhutan Nepal Pakistan Bangladesh <i>Optional countries</i>	12,375	CFP	5	2,475	lump-sums	500	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total Asia 1			12,375		5	2,475		500			
XVII XIX	Lot 12	Cambodia Myanmar Mongolia Vietnam Laos <i>Optional countries</i>	12,375	CFP	5	2,475	lump-sums	500	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total Asia 2			12,375		5	2,475		500			
Total Asia Regional			24,75		10	2,475		1000			
6		DCI - LATIN AMERICA									
19 09 01 00											
XV- XVI	Lot 13 B	Argentina	4,4	CFP	3	1,467	lump-sums	25	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total			4,4		3	1,467		25			
7		DCI – SOUTH AFRICA									
21 06 02											
XX- XXI	Lot 14	South Africa	4,8	CFP	3	1,6	lump-sums	120	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total			4,8		3	1,6		120			
8		DCI – ACP COUNTRIES									
FED											
	Lot 15	All ACP	6	CFP	1	6	lump-sums	190	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total			6		1	6		190			
9		EMA2-STRAND2 ICI - Japan, Korea, Australia, New Zealand, Pacific, East Asia, South Asia and Gulf countries									
19 05 01											
XII	1	North America	1	CFP	1	1	lump-sums	20	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
XII	2	Pacific	1,5	CFP	1	1,5	lump-sums	30	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
XII	3	East Asia	1,5	CFP	1	1,5	lump-sums	30	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
XII	4	South Asia	1,4	CFP	1	1,4	lump-sums	35	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
XII	5	Gulf Countries	2,1	CFP	1	2,1	lump-sums	50	Nov-09	Apr-10	July-10 Agency
Total			7,5		5	7,5		165			
MAIN TOTAL			105,2		40						

CFP: Grants awarded to consortia, institutions and organisations for the implementation of projects, following the publication of a call for proposals

5.1.2. C. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010 (Actions 1, 2 and 3 of the Erasmus Mundus Programme)

- On the basis of the annual work programme on grants for the Erasmus Mundus Programme for 2010²⁹, the Executive Agency will organize the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the calls for proposals concerning Actions 1, 2 and 3.

In addition, an invitation to submit a financing request will be launched for the 116 Action 1a Erasmus Mundus Masters courses and 13 Action 1 b Erasmus Mundus Doctorate programmes in possession of an ongoing framework partnership agreement in order to apply for scholarships and fellowships (European and third-country; masters students, doctoral candidates and academics) for the course edition starting in the academic year 2010/2011. This will lead to the award of approximately 2.920 individual scholarships and fellowships. Although the management of these scholarships/fellowships is under the responsibility of each individual consortium, the Executive Agency is actively involved in monitoring the students/scholars mobility flows and providing direct support to the individuals concerned, if needed.

Provided the applications received within the framework of the above calls for proposals meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected for a grant award and be subject to a grant award decision by the Agency.

- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot visits**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.
- In addition, with a view to **raising awareness** of the funding opportunities provided by the Erasmus Mundus Programme, one InfoDay will be organized by the Executive Agency in January 2010 covering the 3 actions.
- In October 2010, the Executive Agency will organise a conference for project coordinators of all three actions.
- In the second semester the Agency will organise 2 workshops in the framework of the first (sustainability) and second (employability) lot of the Call for Tender on Erasmus Mundus clusters, bringing together Erasmus Mundus projects, stakeholders and external experts.
- In line with the **simplification measures** implemented in 2009 by the Executive Agency regarding the joint management of the external cooperation programmes, the focus in 2010 will be put on increased synergies between Actions 1 and 2, the finalisation of electronic forms (for action 1, 2010 selection) and the harmonisation of grant management procedure for the 3 actions of Erasmus Mundus 2009-2013 Programme.
- The Executive Agency will also implement the appropriate tasks towards the follow-up and completion of projects selected under the previous phase of the Erasmus Mundus I programme.

²⁹ Commission decision C(2009)665 of 5 February 2009

5.1.3. IMPLEMENTATION OF BILATERAL AGREEMENTS AND COOPERATION INITIATIVES WITH INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES

A. Co-operation USA and Canada

The agreements of cooperation between the Community and the United States of America³⁰ and Canada³¹ were renewed in 2006 in the fields of higher education, vocational education training and youth³². The general objectives of the cooperation framework between the European Community and the United States of America and Canada in those fields are:

- To promote mutual understanding between the peoples of the European Community and the United States of America and Canada including broader knowledge of their languages, cultures and institutions;
- To improve the quality of human resource development in both the European Community and the United States of America and Canada, including the acquisition of skills required to meet the challenges of the global knowledge-based economy.

One of the key characteristics of these agreements is the fact that the cooperation projects resulting from the calls for proposals are selected and funded jointly by the European Union and its counterparts in the partner countries, i.e. the US Department of Education, Fund for the Improvement of Post Secondary Education (FIPSE) and Human Resources and Skills Development Canada (HRSDC).

1. Role of the Executive Agency

In cooperation with DG EAC, the Executive Agency supports, by means of community grants or scholarships, institutions, public or private organisations active in higher education, training and youth, students academics or specialists teaching or leading researches and staff directly dealing with higher education or training bearing in mind the growing internationalisation of higher education and vocational education training.

These grants and scholarships aim to enhance mutual exchanges between EU and United States and EU and Canada. These agreements and scholarships are granted further to calls for proposals.

Within the framework of joint financing shared with the American / Canadian authorities, the Community grants are intended to cover the European partner organisations' costs of administering the project and European student / faculty mobility grants.

³⁰ Council Decision 2006/910/CE of 4 December 2006 concerning the conclusion of an agreement between the European Community and the United States of America renewing a programme of cooperation in higher education and vocational education training (JO L 346 of 9.12.2006, p. 33)

³¹ Council Decision 2006/964/CE of 18 December 2006 concerning the conclusion of an agreement between the European Community and the Government of establishing a framework for cooperation in higher education, training and youth (OJ L 397 of 30.12.2006, p. 14).

³² "Youth" only for Canada (P6).

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objectives

Through its activities, the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following specific objective set in DG EAC 2010 Annual Work Programme:

II "Modernisation and reform of European education and training systems by the Member States in view of making them a worldwide reference by 2010 – 1502 (DG EAC)".

The effective participation of the Executive Agency is illustrated below.

II "Modernisation and reform of European education and training systems by the Member States in view of making them a worldwide reference by 2010 – 1502 (DG EAC).
Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objectives Budget Heading 15 02 03 ³³ (DG EAC) Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P10

* The Youth action (action 2.2) and complementary action (action 2.3) are Unit P6's responsibility at Agency level.

Main expenditure-related outputs – Cooperation with non-member countries – EU-US and EU-CANADA											
Programming 2010 – 150203											
Nb Specific obj	Index	Actions	Total Budget EUR-27 – M€	Type of initiatives financed	No of grants	Average cost – M€	Maximum rate of co-financing	Number partnerships/ Number students	Publication date of Calls for Proposals	Calls dead-lines	Grant award decisions – Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
1 EU-US cooperation											
II	1.1	Transatlantic Degrees Projects	3,600	CFP (GP)	9	0,400	lump-sum	9 / 432	Dec-09	Apr-2010	June 2010 Agency
II	1.2	Excellence in Mobility projects	1,365	CFP (GP)	7	0,195	lump-sum	7 / 336	Dec-09	Apr-2010	June 2010 Agency
II	1.3	Policy Oriented Measures – Subsidies	0,490	CFP (GP)	7	0,070	75%	7 / -	Dec-09	Apr-2010	June 2010 Agency
Total EU-US			5,455		23	0,237					
2 EU-Canada cooperation											
II	2.1	Higher education and training action	1,976	CFP (GP)	8	0,247	lump-sum	8 / 320	Dec -09	March 2010	June 2010 Agency
Total EU-Canada			1,976		8	0,247					
MAIN TOTAL			7,431		31	0,240					

CFP: Grants awarded to consortia, institutions and organisations for the implementation of projects, following the publication of a call for proposals

* this action is subject to co-financing from Canada

GP : Programme Guide

³³ 15 02 03 – Cooperation with non-member countries on education and vocational training

3. Description and purpose of the actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the cooperation programmes between the EU and the United States and the EU and Canada
- a) EU-US Atlantis Cooperation programme (strand 1 in the above table)
- Action 1.1: Transatlantic Degree Projects (TD)
Support to multilateral, multi-annual projects implemented by consortia of EU-US institutions focusing on mainly on curriculum development, joint study programmes and student exchanges and leading to the implementation of double or joint degrees.
 - Action 1.2: Excellence in Mobility Projects (EIM)
Support for student mobility to joint EU-US consortia of higher education and vocational training institutions that have a proven track record of excellence in the implementation of joint projects including those funded under preceding EU-US agreements.
 - Action 1.3: Policy-oriented measures (POM)
The target public of this action is organisations dealing with higher education and vocational training. This action would pursue the specific objective of enhancing collaboration between the EU and the US as regards the development of higher education and vocational training, focusing on priority themes. Activities under this category include studies, conferences, seminars, working groups, benchmarking exercises. Support to alumni associations may be also provided.
- b) EU-Canada co-operation programme (strand 2 in the above table)
- Action 2.1: Higher education and training action - Training and Education Projects (Transatlantic Exchange Partnerships /Transatlantic Degree Partnerships)
Support to multilateral, multi-annual projects implemented by consortia of EU-Canada institutions focusing on mainly on curriculum development, joint study programmes (TEP and TDP - including double or joint degrees) and student/faculty mobility.

B. Co-operation with Japan, the Republic of Korea, Australia and New-Zealand (ICI/ECP)

Within a framework of co-operation identical to the one established for the industrialised countries of North America dealt with in the preceding chapter, the European Union and Japan, the Republic of Korea (hereafter called Korea), Australia and New Zealand confirmed on several occasions the importance to reinforce their relations and to collaborate, through various bilateral instruments, in the fields where they share interests. The promotion of the co-operation is concretised by the community financing of activities of co-operation by the means of the financial instrument of single co-operation ICI (Industrialised Countries Instrument)³⁴.- ECP (Education Cooperation Programme).

Following the example of the agreements with the USA and Canada, the projects resulting from calls for proposals launched within the framework of the agreements with Japan, Korea, Australia and the New- Zealand make the object of a selection and a financing shared between the Community and the national authorities of the partner countries concerned.

³⁴ Règlement (CE) n° 1934/2006 du Conseil du 21 décembre 2006 (ICI)

1. Role of the Executive Agency

In co-operation with the DG RELEX and the DG EAC, the Executive Agency contributes to the implementation of the ICI-ECP actions established between the European Union and the above mentioned industrialized countries in the field of education and training.

In particular, the cooperation actions will be implemented via co-financing of joint mobility projects (ICI-ECP) contributing to developing of exchanges of knowledge as means of enhancing mutual understanding, innovation and quality in the field of higher education, training and vocational education and training in the European Union and the above mentioned Partner Countries. In the light of the growing internationalisation of higher education, these projects result in Community grants and mobility scholarships for consortia of higher education and/or vocational and training institutions in order to put in place mobility of students and faculty members between the EU and each Partner Countries concerned.

These specific actions articulate mainly around the priority field “people to people links” identified in the multiannual program 2007-2010 of co-operation with the industrialized countries.

Within the approach of shared financing with the authorities of the Partner Countries the Community grants are intended to cover the costs generated by the European participating institutions, linked with the development of common study programmes and with the organization of mobility, as well as grants for European faculty/students.

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objectives

The implementation of the above funding actions by the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following specific objective set by DG RELEX in its 2010 Annual Work Programme:

XII *"To advance networking and awareness of the EU amongst industrialised and high-income partners"*.

The tables below illustrate the effective contribution from the Executive Agency to this specific objective

XII "To advance networking and awareness of the EU amongst industrialised and high-income partners" – DG RELEX

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 19 05 01³⁵ (DG RELEX)

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P10

Main expenditure-related outputs - Programmation 2010 – Industrialized Non-Member countries: Japan, Republic of Korea, Australia and New Zealand – 19 05 01

Nb specific obj	Index	Actions	Total Budget EUR-27 - M€	Type of initiatives financed	Number of grants	Average cost - M€	Maximum rate of co-financing	Number of beneficiaires expected	Publication date of Calls for Proposals	Calls deadlines	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
	1	Joint Mobility Projects									
XII	1.1	EU-Japan	not available yet* (n.a)	CFP	n.a	Between 318.750 € and 425.000€ max. /project	Lump-sums**	Per project: 30 EU students and between 1 and 7 EU faculty	Spring 2010	Summer 2010	Autumn 2010 Agency
XII	1.2	UE-Korea	n.a*	CFP	n.a						
XII	1.3	EU-Australia	n.a*	CFP	n.a						
XII	1.4	EU-New Zealand	0*	CFP	n.a						
		Total	2,320 M€		7						

CFP: Grants awarded to consortia, institutions and organisations for the implementation of projects, following the publication of a call for proposals

* Budget issues will be discussed between DG RELEX / DG EAC and the Partner Countries in the beginning of 2010. The budget breakdown by country notably depends on the amount of matching funds brought by each Partner Country in 2010. The above timing for the call for proposals is indicative only at this stage.

The total budget indicated above was the amount foreseen in the 2010 PDB

** No requirement from beneficiaries to provide co-funding as such, but ICI ECP projects are jointly funded by the EU and Partner Countries.

³⁵ 19 05 01 – Cooperation with industrialised no-member countries

C. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010 as regards the implementation of the bilateral cooperation programmes with the industrialised countries concerned

- On the basis of the 2010 annual work programme on grants for the Cooperation with non-member countries on education and vocational training: Industrialised Non-Member countries: Japan, Republic of Korea, Australia and New Zealand and for the Cooperation with the USA and Canada, the Executive Agency will organise the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the calls for proposals to be published by the Agency.

Provided the applications meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected for a grant award and be subject to a grant award decision by the Agency.

- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot visits**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.
- As regards **calls for proposals**, the Executive Agency will publish the calls for proposals for the EU-US and EU-Canada cooperation agreements in December 2009 and for the EU cooperation with Japan, Australia and Korea (ICI-ECP) once when confirmed in the DG RELEX Annual Activity Programme 2010.
- As regards **awareness raising activities** towards stakeholders, information sessions will be organised in the context with TEMPUS and Erasmus Mundus information sessions.
- The Executive Agency will 2010 organise the annual Project Directors' conference in Berlin (DE) and will gather together 400 project partners from the EU-US (ATLANTIS), EU-Canada and ICI-ECP programmes.
- The Executive Agency will also contribute to, and participate in, the two Joint Committee Meetings between the European Commission and the US and Canadian governments as foreseen in Article 6 of both Agreements. These meetings will take place in Washington (DC) and Ottawa (ONT) in November 2010.
- In line with the **simplification measures** the focus in 2010 will be put on increased synergies between the projects resulting from these agreements and those funded under the TEMPUS / Erasmus Mundus Programme, on the implementation of a "Programme Guide" approach and on the harmonisation of experts assessment procedure and applicants notification as regards the selection processes, as well as overall project monitoring activities.
- The Executive Agency will also carry out the relevant tasks towards the closure of the projects of the former US and Canada cooperation agreements handed over from DG EAC.

5.1.4. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TEMPUS PROGRAMME

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- The Commission decision of 9 October 2008³⁶ entrusted the Executive Agency with the management of the Tempus IV³⁷ Action, which supports the modernisation and reform of higher education systems in the partner countries in Eastern Europe, the Southern Mediterranean, Central Asia and the Western Balkans. This fourth phase of Tempus covers the period from 2007 to 2013. The effective transfer of the Tempus IV projects, as well as the projects of the former programme Tempus III, took place on 1 April 2009, and a new unit P10 was constituted.
- In accordance with its mandate and in cooperation with DG EuropeAid and DG ELARG, the Executive Agency implements all strands of the Tempus IV Action and in particular, manages the following funding opportunities provided as follows:
 - 1) *Joint Projects* based on multilateral partnerships between higher education institutions in the EU and the partner countries. Joint Projects aim at transferring knowledge from EU universities to institutions in the partner countries and between partner country institutions;
 - 2) *Structural Measures* seeking to contribute to the development and reform of higher education institutions and systems in the partner countries, as well to enhance their quality and increase their convergence with EU developments.
 - 3) *Accompanying measures* comprising meetings of project co-ordinators and other stakeholders, dissemination activities as well as support to the information and dissemination activities of National Tempus Offices in the partner countries. In addition, other relevant activities can be carried out such as thematic conferences and studies on specific issues.

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objectives

The implementation of the above funding actions by the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following objectives set by DG EuropeAid and by DG Enlargement and indicated in the general budget 2010 publication:

XI Support Potential Candidate Countries' Stabilisation and Association process, including financial assistance (DG ELARG).

XIII Furthering the conditions for close cooperation between the EU and its neighbours and for regional and multilateral integration (DG EuropeAid);

XIV Strengthening the "Strategic partnership" between Russia and the EU (DG EuropeAid);

³⁶ Commission decision 2008/785/EC of 9 October 2008 setting up the Executive Agency

³⁷ Financing Decisions adopted by the Commission in 2009 establishing the Tempus IV Action under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA), the European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (ENPI) and the Development Cooperation Instrument (DCI).

XI Support Potential Candidate Countries' Stabilisation and Association process, including financial assistance – DG ELARG

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget heading 22 02 07 01³⁸

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P10

Main expenditure-related outputs – Tempus IV Action Programming 2010 – 22 02 07 01

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Tempus IV Action										
XI	1	Joint Projects / Structural Measures	14,052,000 (22 02 07 01)	CFP	17	826,589	90%	Nov-09	Mar-10	Sep-10 (Agency)
	2	Accompanying Measures (*)								
XI		Renewal of National Tempus Offices (2011 – 2013)	1,350,000 (22 02 07 01)	BD	7	192,857	100%	Jun-10	Sept-10	Oct-10 (Agency)
XI		Conferences / Events	104,000 (22 02 07 01)	CT Framework Contract	2	52,000	100%	Apr-10 Oct-10	May-10 Nov-10	May-10 Nov-10 (Agency)
XI		Studies/Surveys/ Publications/	44,000 (22 02 07 01)	CT Framework Contract	5	8,800	100%	May-10 Sept-10	Jun-10 Oct-10	Jun-10 Oct-10 (Agency)
Total objective XI			15,550,000		31					

³⁸ Regional and horizontal programmes for candidate and potential candidate countries.

XIII Furthering the conditions for close cooperation between the EU and its neighbours and for regional and multilateral integration – (DG EuropeAid);

XIV Strengthening the "Strategic partnership" between Russia and the EU (DG EuropeAid).

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget heading 19 08 01 01³⁹

Budget heading 19 08 01 03⁴⁰

Budget heading 19 10 02 00⁴¹

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P10

Main expenditure-related outputs – Tempus IV Action – 19 08 01 01 – 19 08 01 03 – 19 10 02 00 Programming 2010

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
Tempus IV Action										
XIII-XIV	1	Joint Projects / Structural Measures	20,336,000 (19 08 01 01) 14,841,000 (19 08 01 03) 3,980,000 (19 10 02 00)	CFP	45	870,160	90%	Nov-09	Mar-10	Sep-10 (Agency)
		Subtotal Joint Projects / Structural Measures	39,157,000		45					
	2	Accompanying Measures (*)								
XIII-XIV		Renewal of National Tempus Offices (2011 – 2013)	2,000,000 (19 08 01 01) 1,700,000 (19 08 01 03) 850,000 (19 10 02 00)	DB	22	206.819	100%	Jun-10	Sept-10	Oct-10 (Agency)
XIII-XIV		Conferences / Events	300,000 (19 08 01 01) 112,000 (19 08 01 03) 155,000 (19 10 02 00)	CT Framework Contract	3	189.000	100%	Apr-10 Oct-10	May-10 Nov-10	May-10 Nov-10 (Agency)

39 European Neighbourhood and Partnership financial cooperation with Mediterranean countries.

40 European Neighbourhood and Partnership financial cooperation with Eastern Europe.

41 Cooperation with developing countries in Central Asia.

XIII- XIV	Studies/Surveys/ Publications/	64,000 (19 08 01 01) 47,000 (19 08 01 03) 15,000 (19 10 02 00)	CT Framework Contract	5	25.200	100%	May-10 Sept-10	Jun-10 Oct-10	Jun-10 Oct-10 (Agency)
	Subtotal Accompanying Measures	5,243,000		30					
	Total	44,400,000		75					

CFP: Grants awarded with a Call for Proposals

DB: operating grants to designated bodies

CP: call for proposals

GP: Programme Guide

CT: Call for Tenders

(* The breakdown of accompanying measures and their share in the overall budget is indicative only. The Agency's proposals regarding the activities to be funded will be validated by DG AIDCO and DG ELARG.

Total budget 2010 Summary - Tempus IV Action

Total Budget		Number of grants/ planned actions	Average contribution/intervention
Objectives XIII and XIV			
19.08 01 01	22,700,000		
19.08 01 03	16,700,000		
19.10 02 00	5,000,000		
	<u>44,400,000</u>	75	592,000
Objective XI			
22.02 07 01	15,550,000	31	501,612
Total	59,950,000	106	565,566

3. Description and purpose of the actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the Tempus IV Action (2007-2013)

a) *Component I: Joint Projects*

Joint Projects will be based on multilateral partnerships between higher education institutions in the EU and the partner countries. Joint Projects aim at transferring knowledge from EU universities to institutions in the partner countries and between partner country institutions. Joint Projects can pursue the following objectives: (a) reinforce the network between partner countries and European universities and among partner countries HEI, (b) promote and disseminate new curricula, teaching methods or materials; (c) to promote a quality assessment culture; (d) to modernise the management and governance of higher education institutions; (e) to strengthen the role of higher education institutions in society at large and to enhance their contribution to the development of lifelong learning; (f) to encourage links with the labour market, including the promotion of entrepreneurship and the creation of business start-ups and (g) to strengthen the links with research and between research and industry. Joint Projects can also include small scale and short duration mobility activities for post-graduate students, professors/teachers and university administrators provided they serve the above defined objectives.

b) *Component II: Structural Measures*

Structural Measures will seek to contribute to the development and reform of education institutions and systems in partner countries, as well as to enhance their quality and increase their convergence with EU developments. Structural Measures may provide support to networks of higher education institutions and as much as possible they will include public administrations at national and/or local level so to develop institutional collaboration with universities. The eligible activities may include studies and research on specific issues, producing reform/policy recommendations, organisation of national, regional and thematic conferences and seminars, provision of training and dissemination and information activities.

c) *Component III: Accompanying Measures*

Accompanying measures will comprise meetings of project co-ordinators and other stakeholders, dissemination activities as well as support to National Tempus Offices in the partner countries. In addition, the EC can carry out other relevant activities like thematic conferences, studies on specific issues and activities aiming at the identification and dissemination of good practice.

4. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010

- The Executive Agency will organize the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in reply to the annual call for proposals (third Tempus IV call). The call for proposals will cover both Joint Projects and Structural Measures. Provided the applications meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected by the Executive Agency for a grant.
- Award decisions under the accompanying measures as outlined above will equally be taken by the Executive Agency. Accompanying measures will be implemented through calls for tender or framework contracts. National Tempus Offices in the partner countries are designated in close cooperation between the Ministry of Education and the EC Delegation.
- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot controls**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.

5.1.5. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTRA ACP ACADEMIC MOBILITY SCHEME

The implementation of this action is subject to the adoption of a FED Decision and to the update of the Agency delegation act.

The **overall objective** of the project is to promote sustainable development and poverty alleviation by increasing the availability of trained and qualified high-level professional manpower in the ACP countries. The purpose is to create/facilitate cooperation between the Higher Education Institutions in the ACP region by providing education opportunities for ACP students at postgraduate level in another country, and also by promoting intra-ACP mobility of academics and staff. The project will be implemented through Calls for Proposals, where partnerships of HEIs will apply and if accepted will organise cooperation and mobility activities and later host students, academics and staff benefiting from the scholarship scheme.

As a result of the assessment of strengths and weaknesses of the ACP regional organisations and negotiations a **two-phase approach** it is proposed for this action. During the first phase the management of the project will be entrusted to the Executive Agency Education, Audiovisual and Culture (EACEA), following which the African Union Commission, is expected to take over. For Pacific and Caribbean regions the Agency will manage the action in both phases. Officials from the AUC will be seconded for study visits, long or short term attachments and training in the first phase of the project, allowing them to set up the management of the action and to ensure a smooth take over. Thus, the project proposal integrates the principles of ownership, managing for results and mutual accountability of the Paris Declaration.

A commitment to collaborate with the African Union to increase student mobility in the area of Higher Education between Africa and European Union countries as well as within Africa itself is contained in the EU Strategy for Africa [COM (2005) 489] namely through the opportunities offered by the Erasmus Mundus Programme and Nyerere Scholarship Scheme as the vehicles for this increased mobility.

Moreover, as a complement to the EU-ACP mobility, the 10th EDF Intra ACP Strategy Paper and Multiannual Indicative Programme (for the period 2008-2013) also earmarks an amount of 40 Mio € in favour of a student and academic mobility scheme(s) within the ACP region itself: 30 Mio€ for Africa and 10 Mio€ for the Caribbean and Pacific regions.

One call is expected to be launched in the second half of 2010 for an amount of 8 Mio € (please refer to the below table which is only indicative). The contractualisation will be done in 2011.

Responsible unit at the agency : Unit P4

Main expenditure-related outputs - Specific objective I - Programming 2011 (indicative only)

Index	Actions and sub-actions	Budget	Type of initiatives financed	Number of grants / contracts	Average value of contracts/ grants	Maximum rate of cofinancing	Number of beneficiaries expected	Publication date of the call	Calls deadlines	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
	Africa	6.000.000	Lump sum + unit costs	3	2.000.000	100%	60	2 nd half 2010	Begin 2011	April 2011 Agency
	Pacific	1.000.000	Lump sum + unit costs	1	1.000.000	100%	20	2 nd half 2010	Begin 2011	April 2011 Agency
	Caribbean	1.000.000	Lump sum + unit costs	1	1.000.000	100%	18	2 nd half 2010	Begin 2011	April 2011 Agency
Total Action		8.000.000		5			98			

5.2. ACTIVITY "AUDIOVISUAL"⁴²

5.2.1. Implementation of the MEDIA 2007 programme

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- Following the transfer of portfolios responsibilities between Directorates General in the frame of the new Commission (2009-2014), DG EAC will be responsible for the MEDIA 2007 programme. Therefore, the management by the Agency of this programme will be done in 2010 in close cooperation with DG EAC. However, since the change will take place beginning of 2010, the specific objectives were set by DG INFSO which was responsible of this programme in 2009.
- In cooperation with DG Education and Culture (DG EAC), the Executive Agency contributes to the implementation of the "**MEDIA 2007**" Community Action Programme⁴³ that aims at strengthening the competitiveness of the European audiovisual sector, enhancing the circulation of European audiovisual works and reducing market imbalances. It supports the industry both before (development of works and training of professionals) and after (distribution and promotion) the production stage. This community instrument will enable the European audiovisual sector to play its cultural and economic roles more effectively with diversified content and an easier access to its heritage, in full complementarities with national supports.
- In accordance with its mandate, the Executive Agency is in charge of the operational management of the MEDIA 2007 programme, in particular of the following funding opportunities provided by the five strands of the programme, either upstream or downstream of audiovisual production:
 - Support before the production stage
 - 1) *Acquisition and improvement of skills in the audiovisual field*: Support for initial and continuous training activities and mobility projects to favour the acquisition of skills and qualifications for audiovisual professionals in the fields of scriptwriting, management and new technologies. For example: development workshops, support the mobility of trainers; scholarships for professionals from the new Member States;
 - 2) *Development*: Support for the development of audiovisual works, in respect of the creative (scripts) as well as economical aspects (production strategies, distribution and promotion). For example: support the development of individual projects or catalogues of projects for the European and international markets; support intended to facilitate access to financing by SMEs.
 - Support after the production stage
 - 3) *Distribution and TV-broadcasting*: Support the transnational distribution of European works. For example: support for transnational broadcasting projects of European audiovisual works, automatic and selective support for distributors of non-national European films, support for digitisation and VOD projects of European audiovisual works, for digital equipment side costs;
 - 4) *Promotion*: Improve the visibility and promotion of works reflecting European cultural diversity. For example: support for professionals to access European and international audiovisual markets (trade events, audiovisual festivals, networking) and support for co-production and promotion event.
 - 5) *Pilot projects*: Support innovation and enable the programme to adapt to technological changes. For example: support of the introduction and use of digital technologies in the whole audiovisual chain.

⁴² ABB Activity 0906 "i2010 – Politique audiovisuelle et programme MEDIA"

⁴³ Decision No 1718/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2006

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objective

Through its activities, the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following specific objective set and indicated in the general budget 2010 publication:

IV "To develop the competitiveness of the European cinematographic and audiovisual industry"

IV "To develop the competitiveness of the European cinematographic and audiovisual industry"
Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective
Budget Heading 09 06 01 ⁴⁴
Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P8

Main expenditure-related outputs – Programming 2010 – MEDIA – 09 06 01 00									
Nb specific obj	Heading or sub-heading	Budget	Intervention mode	Number of interventions	Average contribution / intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date publication AP/AO	Application deadline	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
1. FORMATION									
IV	1.1. Initial Training	2,000,000	CFP	10	200,000	75%	Jan -10	May-10	Oct-10 (Com)
IV	1.2. Continuous Training	7,000,000	CFP (SGA)	7	233,333	75%	Jan -10	June-10	Oct-10 (Com)
			CFP (FPA)	23	233,333	75%	Jan -10	June-10 (Renewal)	July-10 (Agency)
2. DEVELOPMENT									
IV	2.1 Support for Single projects	7,000,000	CFP (SGA)	180	38,889	60%	Sept-09	Nov-09 April-10	May-10 (Com) Sept-10 (Com)
IV	2.2 Support for Slate Funding	10,000,000	CFP (SGA)	70	142,889	50%	Sept-09	Nov-09 April-10	May-10 (Com) Sept-10 (Com)
IV	2.3 Support for Interactive Works	2,000,000	CFP (SGA)	15	133,333	60%	Sept-09	Nov-09 April-10	May-10 (Com) Sept-10 (Com)
IV	2.4 Initiative i2i-	3,000,000	CFP (SGA)	70	42,857	60%	Nov-09**	Feb-10 July-10	July-10 (Com) Nov-10 (Com)
3. DISTRIBUTION									
IV	3.1 Distribution Cinema Selective	12,250,000	CFP (SGA)	550	22,273	50%	Sept-09	Dec-09	May-10 (Com)
								April-10	Sept-10 (Com)
								July-10	Nov-10 (Com)
IV	3.2 TV broadcasting	10,400,000	CFP (SGA)	80	130,000	20%	Sept-09	Nov-09	April-10 (Com)
								March-10	July-10 (Com)
								June-10	Nov-10 (Com)
IV	3.3 Cinema Network	10,285,000	CFP (FPA)	1	10,285,000	50%	Sept-08	June-10 (Renewal)	July-10 (Agency)
IV	3.4 Distribution Cinema automatic	18,151,503	CFP (SGA)	500	36,303	60%	Dec-09**	April-10	Nov-10 (Com)
IV	3.5 Sales Agents	1,000,000	CFP (SGA)	35	28,571	50%	Dec-09**	May-10	Sept-10 (Com)
IV	3.6 Digitalisation of Cinemas	2,000,000	CFP (SGA)	-	-	50%	Mar -10	June-10	Nov-10 (Com)

⁴⁴ 09 06 01 – MEDIA 2007 – Support programme for the European audiovisual sector

Nb specific obj	Heading or sub-heading	Budget	Intervention mode	Number of interventions	Average contribution / intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date publication CP/CT	Application deadline	Grant award decisions - Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
4. PROMOTION									
IV	4.1 Market Access	5,500,000	CFP (FPA)	16	110,000	50%	Sept- 08	Feb-10 (Renewal)	Mar-10 (Agency)
			CFP (FPA)	10	110,000		May- 08	July-10 (Renewal)	Sept-10 (Agency)
			CFP (SGA)	12	110,000		Sept- 09	Dec-09	Mar-10 (Com)
			CFP (SGA)	12	110,000			June-10	Sept-10 (Com)
IV	4.2 Festivals	3,500,000	CFP (FPA)	50	38,900	50%	Sept- 08	Jan-Apr-July-Sept 10 (Renewal)	Feb-May-Aug-Oct 10 (Agency)
			CFP (SGA)	23	38,900		Sept-09	Nov-09	April-10 (Com)
				17	38,900			April-10	Sept-10 (Com)
IV	4.3 Promotion outside MEDIA countries	1,760,000	CFP (FPA)	5	352,000	50%	May -08	June-10 (Renewal)	July -10 (Agency)
IV	4.4 Stands (tender)	2,300,000	PP	4	575,000	100%	Nov-08	Dec-09- Jan-Apr-Sept 10	1 month after each deadline
5. DEVELOPPEMENT TECHNOLOGIQUE									
IV	5.1 Pilot projects	2,000,000	CFP (SGA)	2	1,000,000	50%	Feb -10	July-10	Nov-10 (Com)
6. NEW ACTIONS									
IV	6.2 On Line Distribution	7,000,000	CFP (SGA)	20	350,000	50%	Mar -10	July-10	Nov-10 (Com)
Total		107,146,503*		1,712	62,586				

* The total budget MEDIA 2007 (Agency) comprises 11,562,328 € "Budget Third Countries" and "Budget recettes affectées"

** Since the real date is known, the latter has been inserted into the table instead of the date indicated in the MEDIA work programmes 2010.

PP: Public Procurement

CFP: grants following a call for proposals

SGA: single agreement for an action

FPA: framework partnership agreement

CT: call for proposals

CT: call for tender

3. Description and purpose of the actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the MEDIA Programme (2007-2013) for year 2010

a) Strand 1: "Training"

Concerning the phase of pre-production, this strand aims at improving the quality and the potential of the European audiovisual works by facilitating the acquisition of skills and qualifications for audiovisual professionals in the fields of the creation of scenarios, management and new technologies, as well as the European dimension of the initiatives of audiovisual training. By its action, this strand tends to improve the capacities of creation and management of the European audiovisual professionals and to adapt their technical qualifications to digital technologies. This strand is composed of 2 schemes:

- *Initial training scheme (action 1.1.)*
- *Continuous training scheme (action 1.2.)*

b) Strand 2: "Development"

The actions under this strand aim at supporting the development of production projects intended for the European and International market submitted by independent production companies developing dramas, animations, creative documentaries and multimedia. Besides, this strand encourages the elaboration of financing plans for European production companies and projects, including co-production projects

In this respect, the Agency implements the following actions:

- *Support to single projects (Action 2.1)*
- *Support to packages of projects (slate funding) (Action 2.2)*
- *Support to interactive works (Action 2.3)*
- *Initiative i2i – Support to projects (Action 2.4)*

c) Strand 3: "Distribution and Dissemination"

This strand aims to improve the circulation of audiovisual works on the European and international and to emphasize their cultural and linguistic diversity.

The actions under this strand encourage on one hand distributors to invest in the co-production, acquisition and promotion of non-national European films and to set up coordinated marketing strategies. On the other hand, this strand also aims at enhancing transnational broadcasting of European audiovisual works produced by independent European production companies and at encouraging the digitisation of European audiovisual works. Finally, via these actions, this strand encourages cinemas showing a significant percentage of non-national European works to exploit the opportunities offered by digital distribution

Within the framework of the implementation of this strand, the Agency manages the following actions:

- *Distribution Cinema Selective (Action 3.1)*
- *TV Broadcasting (Action 3.2)*
- *Cinema Networks (Action 3.3)*
- *Distribution Cinema Automatic (Action 3.4)*
- *Sales Agents (Action 3.5)*
- *Digitalisation of Cinemas (Action 3.6)*

d) Strand 4: "Promotion"

Concerning the phase after the production, this strand aims at improving, in one hand, the circulation of European audiovisual works by ensuring that the European audiovisual sector has access to the professional European and international audiovisual markets. It encourages common actions between national film and audiovisual programme promotion organisations. On the other hand, it aims at improving access to European audiovisual works for the European and international public and encourages promotion of and access to Europe's cinematographic and audiovisual heritage.

Under this strand, the Agency implements the following actions":

- *Market access (Action 4.1)*
- *Festivals (Actions 4.2)*
- *Promotion outside MEDIA Countries (Action 4.3)*
- *Stands (Action 4.4) (tender)*

e) Strand 5: "New technologies" (Pilot projects)

This strand ensures that the programme adapts to market developments, mainly in connection with the introduction and use of information and communication technologies.

Under this strand, the Agency manages the following action:

- *Pilot projects (Action 5.1)*

f) Strand 6: "New actions"

This strand encourages and supports the constitution of European catalogues and the setting up of databases of European programme catalogues intended for professionals.

Under this strand, the Agency manages the following action:

- *On-line distribution (Action 6.2)*

4. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010

- On the basis of the 2010 annual work programme within the framework of the implementation of the MEDIA 2007 programme⁴⁵, the Executive Agency will prepare and organize the **assessment** and the **selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the calls for proposals published by the Agency in 2009 and 2010.
Provided the applications meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected for a grant award.
- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot controls**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.
- As regards **calls for proposals**, the Executive Agency has published 6 calls in September 2009 (actions 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1, 3.2 and 4.2), 1 in October 2009 (action 4.1), action 2.4 in November 2009, action 3.4 and 3.5 in December 2009. The following calls will be published in 2010: February - actions 1.1 and 5.1; March – actions 1.2 and 6.2.
- As regards calls for tenders, the Executive Agency will manage the framework contract on "Stands" (action 4.4) under Promotion. The call EACEA/03/2008, published on 15/11/08, resulted in a framework contract awarded in April 2009. Four separate specific contracts will be awarded in 2010 for stands at the Berlin Film Market, MIPTV, Cannes Film Festival and the MIPCOM.
- In 2010, the Executive Agency will participate in the **festivals** events and major audiovisual markets in order to raise awareness of the funding opportunities provided by the MEDIA Programme. In addition, **information meetings** will be held for the attention of stakeholders for the following strands: training, development, TV and i2i, distribution-pilot projects and on-line distribution and promotion.
- In line with the **simplification measures** implemented in 2008 and 2009 for actions 1.2, 4.1 and 4.3 (partnership framework agreements) and regarding the eligibility and award criteria, application forms and guidelines, the Executive Agency will focus in 2010 on the e-forms applications and the improvement of the evaluation process. The opportunity to apply decisions and lump sums to the relevant strands of the programme will possibly be examined. The decisions are already used by festival action. A further simplification for small projects (automatic and selective support for distributors) is to be introduced in 2010. Small projects are defined as projects with an award of 25,000€ or less and in future these will benefit from a simplified budget and reporting structure.
- The Executive Agency will also implement the relevant tasks towards the completion of the following previous **programmes** in the field of audiovisual: i) MEDIA Plus, ii) MEDIA-Training and iii) MEDIA II.

⁴⁵ Commission decision C(2009) 6670/3 of 21/09/2009

5.3. ACTIVITY "CULTURE"⁴⁶

5.3.1. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CULTURE PROGRAMME

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- In cooperation with DG Education and Culture (DG EAC), the Executive Agency contributes to the implementation of the **Culture Programme**⁴⁷, which aims to promote transnational mobility of cultural players, encouraging the transnational circulation of cultural goods and of cultural and artistic products as well as intercultural dialogue. The programme covers the 2007-2013 period.
- In accordance with its mandate, the Executive Agency implements the actions of the Culture programme it has been entrusted with, and in particular manages the following funding opportunities provided by the 3 different strands of the programme:
 - 1) Support for cultural cooperation projects within the European Union (multi-annual and cooperation projects, including literary translation projects, projects with and in third countries with focus on European Neighbourhood countries in 2010 (special actions) – (the third countries involved in 2010 are Armenia, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Moldavia, occupied Palestinian Territory and Tunisia);
 - 2) Support for organizations active at European level in the field of culture (operating grants);
 - 3) Support for analyses and for the collection and dissemination of information and for maximising the impact of projects in the field of cultural co-operation. This strand includes the support to Cultural Contact Points (CCPs) and to studies.

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objective

Through its activities, the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following specific objectives, set by DG EAC and indicated in the general budget 2010 publication:

V *"Support European cultural cooperation by promoting intercultural artistic creation, new professional pathways for artists, increasing the circulation of cultural works throughout Europe as well as the audiences for non-national European works, with a view to promoting cultural diversity, enhancing intercultural dialogue, and promoting a sense of European citizenship";*

VI *"Promote the cultural dimension in all external and development policies and programmes, and develop political dialogue and cultural exchanges with 3rd countries, with a view to systematically integrating culture as a vital element in achieving the EU's objectives for international relations"*

⁴⁶ ABB Activity 1504 "Developing cultural cooperation in Europe"

⁴⁷ Decision No 1855/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006

V "Support European cultural cooperation by promoting intercultural artistic creation, new professional pathways for artists, increasing the circulation of cultural works throughout Europe as well as the audiences for non-national European works, with a view to promoting cultural diversity, enhancing intercultural dialogue, and promoting a sense of European citizenship" – DG EAC

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 04 44⁴⁸

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P5

Main expenditure-related outputs – Culture Programme (2007-2013) - Programmation 2010 - 15 04 44

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
	1	Strand 1 Support to cultural actions								
V	1.1	multiannual co-operation projects	18,140,264	CFP (GP)	14	1,295,733	50%	July-09	1/10/09	March 2010 COM
V	1.2.1	co-operation measures – support to translation not included	17,900,000	CFP (GP)	95	188,421	50%	July-09	1/10/09	Feb 2010 Agency
V	1.2.2	co-operation measures – literacy translation	2,700,000	CFP (GP)	115	23,478	50%	July-09	1/02/10	July 2010 Agency
V	2	Strand 2 Support to bodies active in the field of culture	7,700,000	CFP-OP (SGA)	28	118,462	80% (Budget based or flat rates)	July 2009	4/11/09	Mar-2010 Agency
	CFP-OP (FPA)			37	21/09 and 4/11/09				Dec 2009 Feb 2010 Agency	
	3	Srand 3 Support for analysis, collection and dissemination of information								
V	3.1	Cultural Contact Points (CCP)	1,750,000	DB	37	47,297	50%	Invitation to submit Oct-09	14/12/2009	Mar-10 – Agency
Total Objective V			48,190,264		326	147,823				

⁴⁸ 15 04 44 – Culture Programme (2007-2013)

VI "Promote the systematic integration of the cultural dimension in all external and development policies and programmes, and develop political dialogue and cultural exchanges with 3rd countries, with a view to integrating the cultural dimension as a vital element in the EU's international relations" - DG EAC

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 04 44⁴⁹

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P5

Main expenditure-related outputs – Culture Programme (2007-2013) - Programmation 2010 - 15 04 44

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
	1	Strand 1 Support to cultural actions								
VI	1.3.5	special actions – third countries (Neighbouring countries)	2,650,000	CFP	13	203,846	50%	July 2009	3/05/2010	July-2010 Agency
Total Objective VI			2,650,000		13	203,846				

Total Budget 2010 Summary – Culture – 15 04 44 (Executive Agency)

Total Budget	Number of grants/ Interventions planed	Average contribution/intervention
Total objective V	48,190,264	147,823
Total objective VI	2,650,000	203,846
Total	50,840,264	149,971

3. Description and purpose of the actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the Culture Programme (2007-2013)

a) Strand 1 "Support to cultural actions"

The first strand "Support to cultural actions" consists in a direct financial support to co-operation projects. This strand enhances the dynamism of the cultural activity at European level and becomes a reality by visible actions for the European citizen so inside as outside the territory of countries participating to this programme. The actions under this strand aims at presenting a real European or international dimension in encouraging field projects.

➤ Multi-annual cooperation projects (Action 1.1.)

This measure supports sustainable and structured cultural cooperation projects in order to bring together the specific quality and expertise of cultural operators throughout the whole of Europe. This support is intended to assist the cooperation projects in their start-up and structuring phase or

⁴⁹ 15 04 44 – Culture Programme (2007-2013)

in their geographical extension phase. The aim shall be to encourage them to establish sustainable foundations and achieve financial autonomy.

➤ Co-operation measures (Action 1.2.)

1.2.1. *Co-operation measures – support to translation not included*

1.2.2. *Co-operation measures -literary translation*

These measures support sectoral or cross-sectoral cultural cooperation actions between European operators. Priority shall be given to creativity and innovation. Actions aimed at exploring avenues for cooperation in order to develop them over the longer term will be particularly encouraged.

➤ Special actions (Action 1.3.)

1.3.5. *Special measures – Third countries*

This action seeks to support cultural cooperation projects aimed at cultural exchanges between countries taking part in the Programme and third countries, which have concluded association or cooperation agreements with the EU, provided that the latter contain cultural clauses. The third countries involved in 2010 are Armenia, Belarus, Egypt, Georgia, Jordan, Moldova, occupied Palestinian Territory and Tunisia.

b) Strand 2 "Support to bodies active in the field of culture"

This support takes the form of an operating grant to co-finance expenditure associated with the permanent work programme of a body which pursues an aim of general European interest in the field of culture or an objective forming part of the Union's policy in this area.

c) Strand 3 "Analyse and Dissemination"

The third strand supports the carrying out of analyses and collection and dissemination of information and aims at maximising the impact of projects in the field of cultural cooperation.

➤ Contact points Culture (Action 3.1.)

This action aims at ensuring targeted, effective grass-roots dissemination of practical information on the Culture Programme. The Union's support takes the form of operating grants.

4. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010

- On the basis of the annual work programme on grants for the Culture Programme for 2010⁵⁰, the Executive Agency will organize the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the Culture Programme Guide published by the Agency. Provided the applications meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected for a grant award and be subject to a grant award decision.
- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot controls**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.
- As regards calls for proposals, the 2010 call for proposal was published in the OJ in July 2009.
- As regards **calls for tenders**, the Executive Agency will continue the follow up of the 3 studies launched in 2008 on i) the entrepreneurial dimension of cultural and creative studies, ii) the mapping and evaluating of existing platforms and iii) the contribution of culture to local and regional economic development as part of European policy. Final outputs are due for the 1st semestre 2010.
- As regards **Cultural Contact Points**, the Executive Agency will implement for the first time in 2010, the new model of annual work programme. This new model was adopted in 2009 with the aim of improving the services delivered by the CCPs, improving the management of the grants by the Agency and providing performance indicators.
- In addition, with a view to raising awareness of the funding opportunities provided by the Culture Programme, 1 Info Day will be organized in Brussels by the Executive Agency in cooperation with the Commission before the summer 2010. In addition, members of the EACEA Culture Unit will participate to various seminars and information days organized by CCPs throughout countries participating in the Culture Programme.
- In line with the **simplification measures** implemented in 2008 and 2009 regarding the programme guide, multi-annual framework agreements (partnerships), flat-rate financing and grant decisions (instead of grant agreements), e-forms for strands 1.1, 1.2.1, 1.3.5 and strand 2, the Executive Agency will focus in 2010 on the achievement of e-forms for Literary Translation projects and the improvement of the evaluation process for all strands.
- The Executive Agency will also implement the appropriate tasks towards the completion of the following previous programmes/actions in the field of culture and language⁵¹: Culture 2000 Programme and Community action programme to promote bodies active at European level in the field of culture.

⁵⁰ Commission decision C(2009)5089 of 23 June 2009

⁵¹ Budgetary article 150409

5.4. ACTIVITY "YOUTH"⁵²

5.4.1. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "YOUTH IN ACTION" PROGRAMME

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- The Executive Agency participates in the implementation of the centralised actions of the "Youth in Action" Programme⁵³ in cooperation with DG Education and Culture (DG EAC). This Community Action Programme aims at developing cooperation in the field of youth in the European Union and is established for the period 2007-2013.
- In conformity with its mandate, the Executive Agency manages the following funding opportunities provided in the framework of the 5 Actions of the "Youth in Action" Programme:
 - 1) *Youth for Europe*: Support for youth exchanges, participative democracy projects and activities to promote active European citizenship;
 - 2) *European Voluntary Service*: Support for young people's participation in voluntary activities within and outside the EU in order to develop solidarity and promote tolerance among young people and reinforce social cohesion in the EU;
 - 3) *Youth in the World*: Support for youth projects with and in partner countries (neighbouring countries of the EU) and other countries to foster mutual understanding between young people in different countries;
 - 4) *Youth support systems*: Support for i) bodies active at European level in the field of youth (NGOs), for ii) training, networking and information activities of those active in youth work and youth organisations, for iii) youth workers' mobility and exchanges, for iv) information activities for young people and those active in youth work and youth organisations, for v) partnerships with regional or local bodies and vi) funding for the structures of the Programme (Designated beneficiaries: Eurodesk network, Eurodesk Brussels Office, Euro-Mediterranean Youth Platform and the associations of young European volunteers). The aim is to contribute to developing the quality of support systems for youth activities and the capabilities of civil society organisations in the youth field;
 - 5) *Support for European cooperation in the youth field*: support for the organisation of meetings of young peoples and those responsible for youth policy and contribution to a better knowledge and understanding of youth.

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objective

The implementation of the above funding actions by the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following objective set by DG EAC and indicated in the general budget 2010 publication:

VII *"To involve all young people, including those with fewer opportunities, in projects promoting non formal learning and active citizenship"* and to the following objective set by DG ELARG:

X *"Enhance regional integration and cooperation, including implementation of multi-beneficiary programmes"*.

⁵² ABB Activity 1505 "Encouraging and promoting cooperation in the field of youth and sports"

⁵³ Decision No 1719/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 November 2006

VII "To Involve all young people, including those with less opportunities, through the Youth in Action Programme, in projects promoting non formal learning and active citizenship" – DG EAC
X "Enhance regional integration and cooperation, including implementation of multi-beneficiary programmes" – DG ELARG

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 05 55⁵⁴

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P6

Main expenditure-related outputs – Youth in action Programme - Programmation 2010 - 15 05 55

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
1 Action 1 – YOUTH FOR EUROPE										
VII	1.1	Youth Exchanges	300,000	CFP (GP)	12	25,000	Lump sums	Dec-09	Feb-10 June-10 Sept-10	May-10 Agency Sept-10 Agency Dec-10 Agency
VII	1.3	Youth Democracy projects	405,000	CFP (GP)	9	45,000	75%	Dec-09	Feb-10 June-10 Sept-10	May-10 Agency Sept-10 Agency Dec-10 Agency
2 Action 12– EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE										
VII-X	2.b	European Voluntary Service*	4,136,00	CFP (GP)	85	48,659	Lump sums	Dec-09	Feb-10 June-10 Sept-10 Dec-10	May-10 Agency Sept-10 Agency Dec-10 Agency Dec-10 Agency
VII	2.d	Insurance	1,500,000	PP	1	1,500,000	100%	na	Dec-10	Dec-10 Agency

* In the framework of actions 2b and 3.1, the 2010 budget allocated to the Western Balkans Youth window amounts to 1,5 Mio € (Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Kosovo, Montenegro and Serbia) - 22.02.07.01 (DG ELARG).

⁵⁴ 15 05 55 - Youth in Action 2007-2013

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Daedline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency
3 Action 3 – YOUTH IN THE WORLD										
VII – X	3.1	Cooperation with Neighbouring Countries	1,816,000*	CFP (GP)	90	20,178	Lump sums	Dec-09	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
									June-10	Sept-10 Agency
									Sept-10	Dec-10 Agency
VII	3.2	Cooperation with Other Countries of the world	2,600,000	CFP	30	86,667	80%	Feb-10	April-10	July-10 Agency
4 Action 4 - YOUTH SUPPORT SYSTEM										
VII	4.1	Support to bodies active at European level in the youth field	2,100,000	CFP-OP (FPA)	43	48,838	80% (budget based or flat rate)	Oct-09	Renewal Dec-09	Mar-10 Agency
			1,000,000	CFP-OP (annual call)	42	23,810			Dec-09	
VII	4.3.b	Training and networking of those active in youth work and youth organisations	500,000	CFP (GP)	20	25,000	Lump sums	Dec-09	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
									June-10	Sept-10 Agency
									Sept-10	Dec-10 Agency
VII	4.3.c	Projects of youth workers' mobility	600,000	CFP	50	12,000	Lump sums	Mar-10	June-10	Sept-10 Agency
VII	4.5	Information activities	1,000,000	CFP	12	83,333	80%	April – 10	June-10	Sept-10 Agency
VII	4.6	Partnerships	1,200,000	CFP	14	85,714	50%	June – 10	Sept-10	Nov-10 Agency
VII	4.7.a	Support to the structure of the programme – Eurodesks	1,518,000	DB	33	46,000	60%	Invitation to submit	Nov-09	Feb-10 Agency
VII	4.7.b	Structures of the Programme – Eurodesks – Brussels Office	506,000	DB	1	506,000	95%	Invitation to submit	Dec-09	Feb-10 Agency
VII	4.7.c	Support to the structure of the programme – Ex-Vol structures	220,000	DB	33	6,667	50%	Invitation to submit	Dec-09	Feb-10 Agency
VII	4.7	Support to the structure of the programme – Euromed Platform	106,000	DB	1	106,000	75%	Invitation to submit	Nov-09	Feb-10 Agency
5 Action 5 - SUPPORT FOR EUROPEAN COOPERATION IN THE YOUTH FIELD										
VII	5.1b	Meetings of young people and those responsible for youth policy	420,000	CFP (GP)	9	46,667	75%	Dec – 09	Feb-10	May-10 Agency
									June-10	Sept-10 Agency
									Sept-10	Dec-10 Agency
VII	5.2	Better knowledge and understanding of youth	200,000	PP	1	200,000	100%	May - 10	July-10	Sept-10 Agency
Total 15 05 55			20,127,000							
Total 22 02 07 01			1,500,000	Western Balkans Youth window (actions 2b and 3.1)						
TOTAL			21,627,000		486					

CFP: Grants awarded with a Call for Proposals
 CFP-OP: Operating Grants awarded with a Call for Proposals
 DB: operating grants to designated beneficiaries
 PP: public procurement
 CP: call for proposals
 GP: Programme Guide
 CT: Call for Tenders

3. Description and purpose of the Actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the Youth in Action Programme (2007-2013)

a) Youth for Europe (Action 1)

This Action aims at developing young people's citizenship and mutual understanding. In this respect, the Agency brings its financial support to the following measures:

- *Youth exchanges (Action 1.1);*
- *Youth democracy projects (Action 1.3).*

b) European Voluntary Service (Action 2)

The aim of this Action is to support young people's participation in various forms of voluntary activities, both within and outside the EU. Under this Action, young people take part individually or in groups in non-profit, unpaid activities. The Agency brings its support for the financing of projects of voluntary service and activities of training, advice and support for the volunteers or activities and coordination within the framework of this Action (Action 2.b).

Besides, as regards the Action 2.d concerning the insurance for European voluntary service (market), the Agency is responsible for the management of the insurance contract in favour of the participants to the European voluntary service.

c) Youth in the World (Action 3)

The purpose of this Action is to develop mutual understanding between peoples in a spirit of openness, whilst also contributing to the development of quality systems that support the activities of young people in the countries concerned. This Action is open to the Programme's partner countries.

The Agency's tasks focus on the implementation of the measures related to:

- *Cooperation with the neighbouring countries of the EU having signed the agreements with the Community concerning the sector of the youth (Action 3.1);*
- *Cooperation with other countries participating to the Programme (Action 3.2) - Call for proposals.*

d) Youth support systems (Action 4)

This measure supports the operation of NGOs active at European level in the field of youth that pursue a goal of general European interest.

It also intends to support the training of those active in youth work and youth organisations, in particular the exchange of experiences, expertise and good practice as well as activities which may lead to long-lasting quality projects, partnerships and networks.

Furthermore, it aims at encouraging the youth workers' mobility and exchanges, at supporting information activities for young people and those active in youth work and youth organisations, and at implementing partnerships notably with local and regional bodies.

In this respect, the Agency brings its support to the following measures:

- *Support for bodies active at European level in the field of youth (Action 4.1) – Call for proposals;*
- *Training and networking of those active in youth work and youth organisations (Action 4.3.b);*
- *Support to youth workers' mobility and exchanges (Action 4.3.c) – Call for proposals;*

- *Support to information activities for young people and those active in youth work and youth organisations (Action 4.5) – Call for proposals;*
- *Partnerships (Action 4.6) – Call for proposals;*
- *Support for the structures of the Programme (designated beneficiaries in full compliance with Art.54.2(c) RF):*
 - *Eurodesks (Measure 4.7.a);*
 - *Eurodesks – Brussels Office (Measure 4.7.b);*
 - *Associations of young European volunteers (Measure 4.7.c);*
 - *Euromed Youth Platform (Measure 4.7.d).*

e) Support for European cooperation in the youth field (Action 5)

The aim of this action is to organise structured dialogue between the various actors in the field of youth, in particular young people themselves, those active in youth work and youth organisations and policymakers, to support youth seminars on social, cultural and political issues in which young people are interested, to contribute to the development of policy cooperation in the youth field and to facilitate the development of the networks necessary to a better understanding of youth.

Under this framework, the Agency supports the following measures:

- *Meetings of young people and those responsible for youth (Action 5.1.b);*
- *Support for activities to bring about better understanding and knowledge of the field of youth (Action 5.2: Study Youth E-Participation and Information Society)*

4. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010

- On the basis of the 2010 annual work programme on grants and contracts concerning Youth in Action⁵⁵, the Executive Agency will organize the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the Youth in Action Programme Guide actualised end 2009 and of the four specific calls for proposals on i) cooperation with other countries of the world, ii) NGOs active at European in the field of youth, iii) youth workers' mobility and iv) for partnership projects with regional or local bodies. Provided the applications meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected for a grant award, following which the grant award decision is taken.
- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot controls**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.
- In line with the **simplification measures** implemented regarding the Programme Guide, multi-annual framework agreements (partnerships), flat-rate financing, grant decisions (instead of grant agreements), streamlining of the selection processes notably via the implementation of e-forms for operating grants and improved guidance for project implementation, the Executive Agency will focus in 2010 on the **implementation of e-forms for projects** and on the **promotion and exploitation of the impact of the Programme**.
- The Executive Agency will also carry out the relevant operations towards the completion of the following previous Programmes/Actions in the field of youth⁵⁶: Youth Community action Programme and Community Action Programme to promote bodies active at European level in the field of youth.

⁵⁵ Commission decision C(2009)7524 of 30 September 2009

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5.5. ACTIVITY "CITIZENSHIP"⁵⁷

5.5.1. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE "EUROPE FOR CITIZENS" PROGRAMME

1. Role of the Executive Agency

- Following the transfer of portfolios responsibilities between Directorates General in the frame of the new Commission (2009-2014), DG COMM will be responsible for the Europe for Citizens programme. Therefore, the management by the Agency of this programme will be done in 2010 in close cooperation with DG COMM. However, since the change will take place beginning of 2010, the specific objectives were set by DG EAC which was responsible of this programme in 2009.
- In cooperation with DG Education and Culture (DG EAC), the Executive Agency contributes to the implementation of the "Europe for Citizens" Community Action Programme⁵⁸, which gives citizens and civil society organisations the opportunity to interact and participate in constructing an ever closer Europe with a view to developing a sense of European identity, of ownership of the European Union and enhancing tolerance and mutual understanding between European citizens. The Programme covers the period from 2007 to 2013.
- In accordance with its mandate, the Executive Agency implements the actions of the Europe for Citizens Programme it has been entrusted with and in particular, manages the following funding opportunities provided by the 4 Actions of the programme:
 - 1) *Active citizens for Europe*: Support for citizens' meetings and networks of twinned towns, for citizens' projects and for support measures to promote exchanges and citizens participation in transnational and cross-sectoral activities;
 - 2) *Active civil society in Europe*: Structural support for European public policy research organisations/think tanks (operating grants), for civil society organisations at European level (operating grants) and for projects initiated by civil society organisations in order to raise awareness on European matters;
 - 3) *Together for Europe*: Support for structures for the dissemination of information (Bodies designated by the Commission) and for the achievement of studies to get a better understanding of active citizenship at European level.
 - 4) *Active European Remembrance*: Support for the preservation of the main sites and archives associated with the deportation and the commemoration of the victims.

2. Contribution of the Executive Agency to the Commission specific objectives

The implementation of the above funding actions by the Executive Agency contributes to the achievement of the following objectives set by DG EAC and indicated in the general budget 2010 publication:

VIII *"To develop, for European citizens through the Europe for Citizens Programme, a sense of ownership of the European project and a sense of European identity on the basis of common and shared values"*

IX *"To enable civic participation in EU context through the development of civil society and related dialogue at European level"*.

⁵⁷ ABB Activity 1506 "Fostering European Citizenship"

⁵⁸ Decision No 1904/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006

VIII "Develop, for European citizens, a sense of ownership of the European project and a sense of European identity on the basis of common and shared values"

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 06 66⁵⁹

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P7

Main expenditure-related outputs – Europe for Citizens Programme - Programmation 2010 15 06 66

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/ intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
	1	ACTIVE CITIZENS FOR EUROPE								
VIII	1.1	Town -Twinning Citizens'meetings	7,547,300	CFP (GP)	701	10,766	flat rate	Sept- 09	Feb-10	Apr-10 Agency
									June-010	Aug-10 Agency
									Sept-10	Nov-10 Agency
VIII	1.2	Town twinning – network of twinned towns	5,568,800	CFP (GP)	108	51,563	flat rate	Sept- 09	Feb-10	May-10 Com
									Sep-10	Dec-10 Com
VIII	1.3	Citizens'projects	1,617,300	CFP (GP)	12	134,775	60%	Sept- 09	Jun-10	Sep-10 Agency
VIII	1.4	Support measures	1,655,000	CFP (GP)	37	44,730	80%	Sept- 09	Jun-10	Sep-10 Agency
Total objective VIII			16,388,400		858	19,101				

⁵⁹ 15 06 66 – Europe for Citizens 2007-2013

IX "To enable active European citizenship by supporting appropriate structures and networks, by encouraging the development of civil society at European level through a dialogue with stakeholders and through policy initiatives, and by exploiting and disseminating the results of the – Europe for citizens – programme, notably through enhancing its visibility"

Contribution of the Executive Agency to the achievement of the above objective

Budget Heading 15 06 66⁶⁰

Responsible unit at the Agency: Unit P7

Main expenditure-related outputs – Europe for Citizens Programme - Programmation 2010 15 06 66

Nb specific obj	Index	Programmes and actions	Total Budget	Intervention Mode	Number of interventions planned	Average contribution/ intervention	Maximum contribution rate	Date of publication CP/CT	Application Deadline	Grant award decisions Date and Mode (Commission or Agency)
	2	ACTIVE CIVIL SOCIETY IN EUROPE								
IX	2.1 And 2.2	Structural support for think tanks, organisations at European level (partnerships)	8,227,000	CFP-OP (FPA)	56	146,911	80% or 90%* (flat rate or budget based)	June- 09	Oct-09	Jan-10 Comm
IX	2.3	Support for projects initiated by civil society organisations	3,665,900	CFP (GP)	108	33,944	Flat rate or 60%	Sept- 09	Feb-10	May-10 Agency

*for platforms of paneuropean organisations, the maximum rate of co-financing is 90%

	3	TOGETHER FOR EUROPE								
IX	3.3	Information structures in MS and participating countries- Points Europe pour les citoyens (PEC)	880,000	DB	29	30,345	50%	Invitation to submit Nov-09	Dec-09	Feb-10 Agency
IX	3.5	Study on civic participation in the EU	480,000	PP	2	240,000	100%	Nov-09 May-10	Jan-10 Jul-10	Agency (calls for tenders)
	4	ACTIVE EUROPEAN REMEMBRANCE								
IX	4.1	Active remembrance	1,940,700	CFP (GP)	55	35,285	flat rate or 60%	Sept- 09	April-10	July 10 Agency
Total objective IX			15,193,600		250	60,774				

CFP: Grants awarded with a Call for Proposals
 CFP-OP: Operating Grants awarded with a Call for Proposals
 FPA: framework partnership agreement (new call)
 PP: Public Procurement
 DB: operating grants to designated beneficiaries
 CP: Call for Proposals
 GP: Programme Guide
 CT: Call for Tenders

⁶⁰ 15 06 66 – Europe for Citizens 2007-2013

Total Budget 2010 Summary – Europe for Citizens – 15 06 66 (Executive Agency)			
Total Budget		Number of grants/ interventions planed	Average value of grants/contracts
Total objective VIII	16,388,400	858	19,101
Total objective IX	15,193,600	250	60,774
Total	31,582,000	1,108	28,503

3. Description and purpose of the actions delegated to the Executive Agency for the implementation of the "Europe for Citizens" programme (2007-2013)

a) Des citoyens actifs pour l'Europe (Action 1)

This action aims to bring together people from local communities across Europe to share and exchange experiences, opinions and value, to learn from history and to build for the future.

In this respect, the Agency will implement the following measures:

- *Tow-twinning – citizenships' meetings (measure 1.1)*
- *Tow-twinning – network of twinned towns (measure 1.2)*
- *Citizens' projects (measure 1.3)*
- *Support measures (measure 1.4)*

b) Active civil society in Europe (Action 2)

This action is directed at civil society organisations and think tanks, who will receive either structural support on the basis of their work programme (operating grant) or support to transnational projects (action grant).

The Agency implements the following measures:

- *Structural support for European public policy research organisations (think tanks) and structural support for civil society organisations at European level,*
- *Support for projects initiated by civil society organisations (measure 2.3)*

c) Together for Europe (Action 3)

This action aims at deepening the concept of "active European citizenship" and at promoting its understanding all over Europe, therefore contributing to bringing Europe closer to its citizens, through studies and information tools.

- *Information structures in MS and participating countries– PEC (Points Europe pour les citoyens) (measure 3.3)*
- *Study on civic participation in the European Union (measure 3.5).*

d) Active European remembrance (Action 4)

This action aims at preserving the main sites and archives associated with deportations and at commemorating the victims of Nazism and Stalinism.

Therefore, the Agency implements the following action:

- *Active European remembrance (measure 4.1)*

4. Tasks of the Executive Agency in 2010

- On the basis of the 2010 annual work programme on grants and contracts concerning the Europe for Citizens programme⁶¹, the Executive Agency will organize the **assessment and the selection** of the proposals received in the framework of the Europe for Citizens Programme Guide and of the specific call for proposals on civil society organisations active at European level published by the Agency in July 2010.

Provided the applications meet the eligibility and selection criteria and are within the limits of the annual financial framework, they may be selected for a grant award.

- The Executive Agency will manage the **commitment, contracting and payment phases**, which follow the grant award decisions. **Ongoing monitoring, including the assessment of progress and final reports and on-the-spot controls**, of the projects all through their lifecycle is assumed by the Executive Agency as well as payments and closure operations for the relevant projects.
- As regards **calls for proposals**, the Executive Agency will publish in July 2010 a specific call for proposals for operating grant 2011 in favour of civil society organisations and think-tanks.
- As regards **calls for tenders**, the Executive Agency will publish in May 2010 one call for tenders for the achievement of a study on civic participation in the EU.
- In addition, with a view to raising awareness of the funding opportunities provided by the Europe for Citizens Programme, several meetings with the PEC and the stakeholders will be organised.
- In line with the **simplification measures** implemented in 2009 comprising the complete revision of the Programme Guide, focusing notably on the restructuring of the town twinning, and the availability of a single e-forms application for all the actions of the Programme, the Executive Agency will focus in 2010 on:
 - revision/simplification of the flat rate system;
 - reduction to 3 phases for the citizen's meetings;
 - further development of the town twinning in order to better achieve the objectives of the Programme;
 - restructuring of the civil society projects notably by reducing the number of themes and enlarge the eligible activities;
 - simplification of eligibility procedure.
- The Executive Agency will also implement the relevant tasks towards the completion of the following previous programmes/actions in the field of civic participation⁶²: Community Action Programme to promote active European Citizenship (civic participation) and Community Action Programme to promote bodies active at European level in the field of culture (including preservation and commemoration actions).

⁶¹ Commission decision No C(2009)4999 of 19 June 2009

⁶² Budgetary article 15 06 09