

ANNEX 4

Erasmus Mundus Action 2 – Strand 1 / Strand 2 (delete as appropriate)

PROJECT SUMMARY SHEET

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Title of proposal	Interdisciplinary Bridges in Indo-European Studies	
	Name of organisation	Country
Applicant	Aarhus University	Denmark
Co-coordinator (if applicable)	IIT Madras	India
Partner 1	Leiden University	Netherlands
Partner 2	University of Milan	Italy
Partner 3	University of Warsaw	Poland
Partner 4	Reutlingen University	Germany
Partner 5	Hochschule Bremen (University of Applied Sciences)	Germany
Partner 6	Banasthali University	India
Partner 7	Bastar University	India
Partner 8	Jawaharlal Nehru University	India
Partner 9	Mangalore University	India
Partner 10	Manipal University	India
Partner 11	Manomaniam Sundaranar University	India
Partner 12	Pondicherry University	India
Partner 13	Sambalpur University	India
Partner 14	Symbiosis International University	India
Partner 15	University of Calcutta	India
Partner 16	University of Delhi	India
Partner 17	Vinoba Bhave University	India
Associate 1	Association of European Studies in India	India
Associate 2	European Association of India Study Centres	Poland / Europe
Countries targeted	India	
Project duration (months)	48 months	
Amount requested (EUR)	€ 2.699.275	
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Project objective:

In a world increasingly moving towards a knowledge-economy, the **role of universities as catalysts of change** cannot be underestimated. Their role is not confined to teaching and research, but they are centres of capacity building, human development and internationalization. They produce a critical mass which helps shaping international relations and economy and it is with this aim that the consortium **Interdisciplinary Bridges in Indo-European Studies (IBIES)** has been formed.

The partner will use the **proposed 100 mobilities** to forge **sustainable ties between universities from various regions in India and Europe**, reflecting the diversity India and Europe share. The network includes **centres of excellence as well as newly established universities and institutions in relatively backward districts** and aims at forging lasting knowledge partnerships.

IBIES contributes specifically to the study of the EU / Europe in India as well as the study of India in Europe as too under-developed fields in the respective regions. It does so by promoting mobilities on all academic levels and by advocating a wide interdisciplinary approach (political science, economics, sociology / anthropology, social work etc.) broadly with the fields of social sciences and business studies – keeping in mind the needs of vulnerable communities in India (ST, SC etc.).

The consortium emerged out the former India EU Study Centres Programme (IESCP) established under the EU-India Joint Action Plan and as such remains dedicated to work for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge about the EU and India. Under the Action 2 the partners have the opportunity to help **forming a new generation of students and staff studying the EU / Europe and India**, who – with their insights and experiences in Europe - will also act as multipliers later on. IBIES contributes to a cross-fertilization and mutual enrichment in an academic and cultural perspective.

Brief description:

EU / European Studies in India and India Studies in Europe are primary thematic needs under the conditions and challenges of an increasingly globalized world and particularly in order to develop closer ties between the EU and India. Therefore the establishment of study centres and programmes focusing on the EU / Europe and on India was explicitly declared a priority in the EU-India Joint Action Plan (JAP) agreed upon during the EU-India Summit in 2008. In this light the EU successfully established and funded European Union Study Centres in India and Modern Indian Study Centres in the EU and supported a few existing centres under the India EU Study Centres Programme (IESCP) 2009-2011. The consortium – Interdisciplinary Bridges in Indo-European Studies (IBIES) will - in the spirit of the IESCP - focus on the entangled Indo-European Studies in order to develop newly established programmes and study centres further and to deepen the already established cooperation. Both, EU / European Studies in India and India Studies in Europe are emerging, yet under-developed fields, which will be strengthened by the concerted efforts of IBIES.

Having recognized the mutual thematic need for European / EU and India Studies IBIES proposes a broad, mobility and interdisciplinary approach to the study of the EU and India that includes a multitude of disciplines such as political science, economics, history, sociology / anthropology, area studies, development studies, media studies, language / linguistic studies, international / global studies, cultural studies et.al. The IBIES proposal is based not only on the clearly defined need to study Europe and India in its own specificity as contemporary powerhouses on a global stage, but with equal importance we need to draw attention to the entanglements between the two regions and

players e.g. the transnational dimensions of their businesses, history, political systems, social relations etc.

The IBIÆS consortium includes not only well-developed knowledge hubs – universities and centres of excellence in India and the EU -, but also lesser known new universities in relatively backward districts. The partners engaging in solid partnerships are convinced that this combination and concerted effort to offer exposure for and promote the most talented students but also focus on vulnerable groups as new entries into the labour market and scientific community with not only increase their employability, the coming together of equal partners in this consortium also offers an experience of European and Indian society and its ideas and values.

Mobility Flow:

Type of Mobility	Outgoing	Third country ¹	Incoming			TOTAL
	Europeans		Third-Country nationals			
	Target Group 1		Target Group 1	Target Group 2	Target Group 3	
Undergraduates ²	x	IN	7	0	3	10
Masters	x	IN	20	5	10	35
Doctorates	x	IN	10	9	3	22
Post-doctorates	x	IN	6	1	1	8
Academic staff	<u>x</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>25</u>
TOTAL	<u>0</u>		<u>63</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>100</u>

Third country	Undergraduates	Masters	Doctorates	Post-doctorates	Staff	TOTAL
India	10	35	22	8	25	100
TOTAL	10	35	22	8	25	100

¹ Please insert the appropriate country code as indicated in the list of codes in annex 7 of this application form

² Undergraduates mobility is covered only under EM A2 Strand 1 and not under EM A2 Strand 2 (please delete the row accordingly)