

<b>Programme</b>	<b>LIFELONG LEARNING</b>
<b>Subprogramme</b>	<b>JEAN MONNET</b>
<b>Action Category</b>	<b>MULTILATERAL PROJECTS</b>
<b>Action</b>	<b>JEAN MONNET Multilateral Research Groups</b>
<b>Objectives and description of the action</b>	<p>Jean Monnet multilateral research groups must involve a partnership between at least three Jean Monnet Chairs from at least three different higher education institutions in three different countries. Multilateral research groups may involve, as partners, associations that bring together professors and researchers specialising in European integration studies.</p> <p>Multilateral research groups must lead to an integrated academic network involving joint research and the organisation of joint seminars, debates and meetings. The activities of the multilateral research groups must lead to the production of a major academic publication by the end of the project. Multilateral research groups may also include activities for the dissemination of results, notably using multimedia and meetings with civil society.</p> <p>A Jean Monnet Chair may be coordinator of only one Jean Monnet Multilateral Research Group at a time. A Jean Monnet Chair who is coordinator of a Jean Monnet Multilateral Research Group can reapply for a new Multilateral Research Group but must wait until one academic year has elapsed following the end of the previous contractual period before submitting the new application.</p>
<b>Who can benefit</b>	Higher education institutions world-wide. Associations of professors and researchers specialising in European integration studies may be associated partners to Jean Monnet multilateral research groups.
<b>Who can apply</b>	Higher education institutions world-wide.
<b>PRIORITIES</b>	The priorities for this Action can be found in the LLP General Call for Proposals 2011-2013 - Strategic Priorities.
<b>HOW TO APPLY</b>	Centralised, application to be sent to the Executive Agency
Please consult the relevant Agency website for further information.	
<b>Selection Procedure:</b>	COM
<b>Application Deadline(s):</b>	15 February 2011
<b>Duration</b>	
<b>Minimum Duration:</b>	2 years
<b>Maximum Duration:</b>	2 years
<b>Comment on Duration:</b>	Possibility to extend the eligibility period by 6 months on request. Total Grant will not change.
<b>FINANCIAL PROVISIONS</b>	
Please consult <b>Part I</b> of this Guide, Chapter 4 Financial Provisions for more information.	
<b>Applicable Grant Table(s):</b>	Staff costs rates and subsistence costs rates as indicated in the Jean Monnet pages of the web site of the Executive Agency
<b>Maximum Grant €:</b>	80.000
<b>Comment on Funding:</b>	Maximum EU Grant 75%
<b>EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURES</b>	
Please consult Part I of this Guide, chapter WHAT IS THE LIFECYCLE OF A PROJECT for further information about the evaluation and selection procedures	
<b>Eligibility Criteria</b>	
<b>General eligibility rules:</b>	
The general eligibility criteria for applications in the LLP Programme are outlined in Part I of this Guide, Chapter 3. Participating countries: please refer to Part I of this Guide, section "Which countries participate in the Programme?"	
<b>Specific eligibility rules:</b>	<p>Applications must be submitted by bodies which are legal entities.</p> <p>Multilateral research groups must involve a partnership between at least three Jean Monnet Chairs from at least three different higher education institutions in three different countries. Multilateral research groups may involve, as partners, national and transnational associations that bring together professors, teachers and researchers specialising in European integration studies;</p> <p>Multilateral research groups must lead to an integrated academic network, involving joint research and the organisation of joint seminars, debates and meetings. The activities of the multilateral research groups must lead to the production of a major academic publication by the end of the eligibility period.</p>
<b>Minimum number of Countries:</b>	3
<b>Minimum number of Partners:</b>	3
<b>Comment on participants:</b>	No obligation that countries must be EU Member States.
<b>Award criteria</b>	<p><b>1. Quality of the Applicants or the Consortium</b></p> <p>Quality (excellence) of the academic profile (CVs) in the specific field of European integration studies.</p> <p><b>2. Quality of the methodology and the work programme</b></p>

	Quality and detail of the planned teaching, research and/or debating activities (with particular attention to the academic added value, the multidisciplinary synergies and the openness to civil society).
	<b>3. Impact and relevance of the results</b>
	Likely impact of the activities on education and/or training at the European and/or world level with specific attention for activities outside the EU.
	<b>4. Innovative Character</b>
	Degree of innovation of the project: creation of new teaching, research and/or debating activities (as appropriate); application by higher education institutions / associations in countries not yet covered by the Jean Monnet Action or higher education institutions/ associations not yet supported by Jean Monnet funding or involving academics not yet in receipt of Jean Monnet funding for the same type of activity.
<b>CONTRACTING PROCEDURES</b>	
<b>Probable sending date of pre-information on the results of the selection process</b>	June
<b>Probable sending date of agreement to the beneficiaries</b>	July
<b>Probable starting date of the action</b>	September