





## **Erasmus+ Programme**

Key Action 1

- Mobility for learners and staff Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

# Inter-institutional<sup>1</sup> agreement 2021-2027<sup>2</sup> between programme countries

#### [Minimum requirements]3

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects related to the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits awarded to students by the partner institution.

Name of the institution (and department, where relevant)	Erasmus code	Contact details <sup>4</sup> (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the course catalogue)
UNIVERSITY OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND POST	BG SOFIA28	Prof. Teodor Iliev, PhD Erasmus Coordinator UTPErasmus@gmail.com acad. Stefan Mladenov Str. 1, Sofia 1700, Bulgaria	http://www.utp.bg/international- activities/mobility/erasmus/erasmus-incoming- students/
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 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Inter-institutional agreements can be signed by two or more higher education Institutions

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Higher Education Institutions have to agree on the period of validity of this agreement

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Clauses may be added to this template agreement to better reflect the nature of the institutional partnership.

 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

### A. Information about higher education institutions

#### B. Mobility numbers<sup>5</sup> per academic year

[Paragraph to be added, if the agreement is signed for more than one academic year:

The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year.]

FROM [Erasmus code of	TO [Erasmus code of	Subject area	Subject area name	Study cycle [short	Number of stu perio	The second secon
the sending institution]	the receiving institution]	code * [ISCED]		cycle, 1 <sup>st</sup> ,  2 <sup>nd</sup> or 3 <sup>rd</sup> ]  6	Student Mobility for Studies [total number of months of the study periods or average duration*]	Student Mobility for Traineeships *
TR KOCAELIO2	BG SOFIA28	061	Information and Communication Technologies(ICTs)	short cycle	10 (2 students x 5 months)	6 (2 students x 3 months)
BG SOFIA28	TR KOCAELI02	061	Information and Communication Technologies(ICTs)	short cycle	10 (2 students x 5 months)	6 (2 students x 3 months)

[\*Optional: subject area code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff Mobility for Training, Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods or average duration can be indicated if relevant.]

FROM	то	Subject area	Subject area name *	Number of staff	mobility periods
[Erasmus code of the sending institution]	[Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	code * [ISCED]		Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of days of teaching periods or average duration *]	Staff Mobility for Training *
TR KOCAELI02	BG SOFIA28	061	Information and Communication Technologies(ICTs)	10 (2 staff x 5 days)	10 (2 staff x 5 days)
BG SOFIA28	TR KOCAELI02	061	Information and Communication Technologies(ICTs)	14 (2 staff x 7 days)	14 (2 staff x 7 days)

#### C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional\*: <a href="http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx">http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/international-standard-classification-of-education.aspx</a>)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 1<sup>st</sup>: undergraduate , 2<sup>nd</sup>: master or 3<sup>rd</sup>: PhD

Receiving institution	Optional: Subject	Language of	Language of instruction	Recommended lang	uage of instruction level <sup>7</sup>
[Erasmus code]	area	instructio n 1	2	Student Mobility for Studies [Minimum recommended level: B1]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [Minimum recommended level: B2]
TR KOCAELIO2		Turkish For All Programs	English	English B1	English B2
BG SOFIA28	061	BG (regular courses)	EN (Individual teaching is offered in English.	BG: B1 / EN: B1	English B2

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution [Links provided on the first page].

### D. Additional requirements

[To be completed if necessary, other requirements may be added on academic or organisational aspects, e.g. the selection criteria for students and staff; measures for preparing, receiving and integrating mobile students and/or staff]

[Please specify whether the institutions have the infrastructure to welcome students and staff with disabilities.]

#### E. Calendar

1. Applications/information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [month]	Spring term* [month]
TR KOCAELI02	15 JULY	15 DECEMBER
BG SOFIA28	30 JUNE	30 NOVEMBER

[\* to be adapted in case of a trimester system]

- 2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 6 weeks.
- 3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than five weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI.
- 4. Termination of the agreement

Termination of the agreement: In whichever case, either party can terminate the Agreement by informing the other party expressly in writing with at least one year's notice. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. Students selected prior the date of notification must be admitted by the receiving institution. Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict.

#### F. Information

#### 1. Grading systems of the institutions

#### Kocaeli University grading system

At Kocaeli University, one full academic year includes two terms with an ECTS credit of 30 for each. Each course is graded in numbers from 0,00 to 4,00 and these grades are equivalent in ECTS grade and level as follows: 0,00-0,50: Fail (F), 0,50-1,50: Conditional Pass (FX), 1,50-2,00: Sufficient (E), 2,00-2,50: Satisfactory (D), 2,50-3,00: Good (C), 3,00-3,50: Very Good (B), 3,50-4,00: Excellent (A)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is recommended, see <a href="http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr">http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr</a>

The ECTS Credits and Grade Transformation Chart for incoming undergraduate/master's/doctorate students is available at the relevant tab of the following link: <a href="http://ogr.kocaeli.edu.tr/KOUBS/akts/index.cfm?Dilid=1">http://ogr.kocaeli.edu.tr/KOUBS/akts/index.cfm?Dilid=1</a>

Institution	Course Load	Grading System	Descriptions
BG SOFIA28	30 ECTS/semester	Excellent 6 (ECTS A)  Very Good 5 (ECTS B)  Good 4 (ECTS C)  Fair 3 (ECTS D)  Poor 2 (ECTS FX)  No attendance/No exam (ECTS F)	Credit System: ECTS

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#### 2. Visa

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
TR KOCAELIO2	International Relations Unit  Phone: +90(262) 303 38 43-44  Email: inerasmus@kocaeli.edu.tr	http://int.kocaeli.edu.tr/index_en.php?enpages=page&id=stude nt-visa
BG SOFIA28	rectoroffice@utp.bg UTPErasmus@gmail.com	http://www.mfa.bg/en/pages/109/index.html

#### 3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
TR KOCAELIO2	International Relations Unit  Phone: +90(262) 303 38 43-44  Email: <u>inerasmus@kocaeli.edu.tr</u>	http://int.kocaeli.edu.tr/int/studentexchange.php?Visa=Residence
BG SOFIA28	rectoroffice@utp.bg UTPErasmus@gmail.com	Insurance cover is not automatically provided. http://www.en.nhif.bg/web/guest/home

#### 4. Housing

The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
TR KOCAELIO2	International Relations Unit Phone: +90(262) 303 38 43-44 Email: <u>inerasmus@kocaeli.edu.tr</u>	Hotels: <a href="http://int.kocaell.edu.tr/int/?Hotels=Yes">http://int.kocaell.edu.tr/int/?Hotels=Yes</a> Dorms: <a href="http://int.kocaell.edu.tr/int/?Dorms=Yes">http://int.kocaell.edu.tr/int/?Dorms=Yes</a> Share an Apartment: <a href="http://int.kocaell.edu.tr/int/?Accommodation=Yes">http://int.kocaell.edu.tr/int/?Accommodation=Yes</a>
BG SOFIA28	rectoroffice@utp.bg UTPErasmus@gmail.com	http://www.utp.bg/international-activities/mobility/erasmus/erasmus- incoming-students/ Students state their wish to be accommodated in the student dormitory in the Erasmus application form.

## G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Scanned signatures are accepted