Erasmus Language

1. Abbreviations used in the framework of the FESC-project

Abbreviation	Full Name
CEFR	**C**ommon **E**uropean **F**ramework of **R**eference for Languages A1-A2: Basis User B1-B2: Independent User C1-C2: Proficient User http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr
DS	**D**iploma **S**upplement An annex to the official qualification documentation, which is designed to provide more detailed information on the studies completed according to an agreed format which is internationally recognized a document accompanying a higher education diploma, providing a standardised description of the nature, level, context, content and status of the studies completed by its holder. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en
ECTS	**E**uropean **C**redit **T**ransfer and **A**ccumulation **S**ystem A learner-centred system for credit accumulation and transfer, based on the transparency of learning, teaching and assessment processes. Its objective is to facilitate planning, delivery and evaluation of study programmes and learner mobility through the recognition of qualifications and periods of learning. A system that helps to design, describe and deliver study programmes and award higher education qualifications. The use of ECTS, in conjunction with outcomes-based qualifications frameworks, makes study programmes and qualifications more transparent and facilitates the recognition of qualifications. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en
EWP	**E**rasmus **W**ithout **P**aper EWP originated as a European project funded through Erasmus+ KA3 from 1/11/2015 till 30/10/2017 and again from 1/1/2018 till 31/12/19. It has now matured into an operational Network. Its chief goal still is to digitalise the administrative framework that underpins student mobility in Europe, enabling electronic data exchange and interoperability among diverse information systems. In March 2019 the European Commission announced that the use of EWP will be made mandatory from 2021 as part of the next Multi-annual financial framework (MFF) i.e. the next Erasmus programme. https://wiki.uni-foundation.eu/display/EWP/
HE(I)	**H**igher **E**ducation (**I**nstitution)
OLA	**O**nline **L**earning **A**greement
ToR	**T**ranscript **o**f **R**ecords The Transcript of Records provides an up-to-date record of students' progress in their studies: the educational components they have taken, the number of ECTS credits they have achieved, and the grades they have been awarded.

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2. Frequently Used Abbreviations/Terms

Abbreviation/Term	Full Name
EU	**E**uropean **U**nion
EC	**E**uropean **C**ommission https://ec.europa.eu/info/about-european-commission/organisational-structure/how-commission-organised_en
DG EAC	**D**irectorate **G**eneral for **E**ducation, Youth, Sport **a**nd **C**ulture The Commission's DG EAC is the executive branch of the European Union responsible for policy on education, culture, youth, languages, and sport. DG EAC also supports these issues through a variety of projects and programmes, notably Creative Europe and Erasmus+. It is led by a Commissioner and a Director General who report to the European Parliament. https://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/education-youth-sport-and-culture_en
EACEA	**E**ducation, **A**udiovisual and **C**ulture **E**xecutive **A**gency EACEA is responsible for the implementation of the centralized Actions of the Erasmus+ Programme. https://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/education-audiovisual-and-culture_en
NA	**N**ational **A**gency Each Programme Country has appointed one or more National Agencies. The NA is responsible for the promotion and implementation of decentralized Actions. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/contact/national-agencies_en
NEO(s)	**N**ational **E**rasmus+ **O**ffice(s) In the Partner Countries concerned (Western Balkans, Eastern and Southern Mediterranean countries, Russia and Central Asia) the National Erasmus+ Offices assist the Commission, the Executive Agency and the local authorities in the implementation of the Erasmus+ Programme. They are the focal point in these countries for their stakeholders involved in the Erasmus+ Programme in the area of Higher Education. https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/national-erasmus-plus-offices_en
Programme country	EU and non-EU countries that have established a National Agency which participate fully in the Erasmus+ Programme.
Partner country	Countries which do not participate fully in the Erasmus+ Programme, but which may take part (as partners or applicants) in certain Actions of the Programme.

Erasmus+ Programme Guide	The Programme Guide is a tool for anybody who would like to have a thorough knowledge of what the Erasmus+ Programme is about. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en
EHEA	**E**uropean **H**igher **E**ducation **A**rea The main goal of the EHEA is to increase staff and students' mobility and to facilitate employability. http://www.ehea.info/
ECHE	**E**rasmus **C**harter for **H**igher **E**ducation The Charter provides the general quality framework for European and international cooperation activities a higher education institution may carry out within Erasmus+. The award of ECHE is a pre-requisite for all higher education institutions located in a Programme country and willing to participate in learning mobility of individuals and/or cooperation for innovation and good practices under Erasmus+. For higher education institutions located in Partner countries, the ECHE is not required, and the quality framework will be established through inter-institutional agreements between higher education institutions. The ECHE is awarded for the full duration of the Erasmus+ programme. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/higher-education-charter_en
EQF	**E**uropean **Q**ualifications **F**ramework A common European reference tool that serves as a translation device between different education and training systems and their levels. It aims to improve the transparency, comparability and portability of qualifications across Europe, promoting workers' and learners' mobility and facilitating their lifelong learning. https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/events-and-projects/projects/european-qualifications-framework-eqf
NARIC	**N**ational **A**cademic **R**ecognition **I**nformation **C**entre https://www.enic-naric.net/
NQF	**N**ational **Q**ualifications **F**ramework National qualifications frameworks (NQFs) classify qualifications by level, based on learning outcomes. https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/events-and-projects/projects/national-qualifications-framework-nqf

ECVET	**E**uropean **C**redit System for **V**ocational **E**ducation and **T**raining A system that aims to facilitate the validation, recognition and accumulation of work-related skills and knowledge acquired during a stay in another country or in different situations. ECVET aims for better compatibility between the different vocational education and training systems in place across Europe and their qualifications. It should create a technical framework to describe qualifications in terms of units of learning outcomes, and it includes assessment, transfer, accumulation and recognition procedures. https://ec.europa.eu/education/policies/eu-policy-in-the-field-of-vocational-education-and-training-vet_en
Erasmus	**E**uropean **R**egion **A**ction **S**cheme for the **M**obility of **U**niversity **S**tudents (backronym) The programme is named after the Dutch philosopher, theologian, Renaissance Humanist, monk, and devout Roman Catholic, Desiderius Erasmus of Rotterdam.
Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps Portal	For certain actions, you must apply through the National Agencies and, for others, through EACEA. To apply for actions managed by National Agencies you have to use the Erasmus+ and Solidarity Corps Portal. To apply or become a partner you need an **O**rganisation **ID** (**OID**). https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-esc/organisation-registration/screen/home
Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal	For certain actions, you must apply through the National Agencies and, for others, through EACEA. To apply for actions managed by EACEA you have to use the Funding & Tender Opportunities Portal. To apply or become a partner you need a **P**articipant **I**dentification **C**ode (**PIC**). https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home
IIA	**I**nter-**I**nstitutional **A**greement Inter-institutional agreements can be signed between two or more higher education institutions (HEIs), so providing for the possibility of mobilities between groupings of institutions. - For mobility between HEIs in Programme Countries, both or all of them must be holders of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education - For mobility between HEIs in Programme and Partner Countries, the Programme Country HEIs must have the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education and the Partner Country HEIs must agree to the principles laid down in the charter text via the inter-institutional agreement https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/applicants/inter-institutional-agreement_en
MoU	**M**emorandum **o**f **U**nderstanding An MoU is a type of agreement.
LA	**L**earning **A**greement An agreement between the sending and receiving organisation, as well as the participating individuals, defining the aims and the content of the mobility period in order to ensure its relevance and quality. It can also be used as a basis for the recognition of the period abroad by the receiving organisation. http://ec.europa.eu/education/opportunities/higher-education/qualityframework_en.htm For the exchange of staff members a Mobility Agreement is used.

ISCED	**I**nternational **S**tandard **C**lassification of **Ed**ucation ISCED is the reference international classification for organising education programmes and related qualifications by levels and fields. http://ec.europa.eu/education/tools/isced-f_en.htm
SMS	**S**tudent **M**obility for **S**tudies
SMP	**S**tudent **M**obility for **P**lacement
STA	**St**aff Mobility for Teaching **A**ssignment
STT	**St**aff Mobility for **T**raining
OLS	**O**nline **L**inguistic **S**upport The Online Linguistic Support (OLS) is designed to assist Erasmus+ participants in improving their knowledge of the language in which they will work, study abroad so that they can make the most out of this experience. https://erasmusplusols.eu/nl/
ICM	**I**nternational **C**redit **M**obility International Credit Mobility (ICM) supports the mobility of individuals enrolled or employed at a higher education institution (HEI), from a Programme Country to a Partner Country or vice versa. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-international-credit-mobility_en
OS	**O**rganisational **S**upport The organisational support grant is a contribution to any costs incurred by the organisations in relation to activities to sup-port student and staff mobility of high quality. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en
MT+	**M**obility **T**ool+ Mobility Tool+ will support the beneficiary in the management of the Erasmus+ mobility activities. The beneficiary organization: - must encode general information regarding the participants and the type of mobility they will carry out (participant name, destination, duration…) into the Mobility Tool+; - is responsible for updating the Mobility Tool+ at least once a month during the lifetime of the mobility project with any new information regarding the participants and the mobility activities.; - will be able to generate prefilled reports from the Mobility Tool+ based on the information they have provided. Mobility Tool+ will also generate reports to be filled in by the participants in mobility activities. https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en

ESN	**E**rasmus **S**tudent **N**etwork
	Erasmus Student Network (ESN) is a non-profit international student organisation.
	https://esn.org/
ESCI	**E**uropean **S**tudent **C**ard **I**nitiative
	The European Student Card Initiative will enable every student to easily and safely identify and register themselves electronically at higher education institutions within Europe when moving abroad for studies, eliminating the need to complete onsite registration procedures and paper work. The European Student Card Initiative will develop an online one-stop-shop through the Erasmus+ Mobile App for students to manage all administrative steps related to their mobility period - before, during and after their stay. It will allow students to find all the information they need to experience a high-quality mobility experience abroad. The goal is to have full deployment of the Initiative during 2021.
	https://ec.europa.eu/education/education-in-the-eu/european-student-card-initiative_en
I@H	**I**nternationalisation at **H**ome
	The purposeful integration of international and intercultural dimensions into the formal and informal curriculum for all students within domestic learning environments
	https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-319-20877-0_5
MOOC	**M**assive **O**pen **O**nline **C**ourse
	MOOC is a Massive Open Online Course aimed at unlimited participation and open access via the web. In addition to traditional course materials such as filmed lectures, readings, and problem sets, many MOOCs provide interactive user forums to support community interactions among students, professors, and teaching assistants.
	https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en
OER	**O**pen **E**ducational **R**esources
	Educational materials of any kind (e.g. textbooks, worksheets, lesson plans, instructional videos, entire online courses, educational games) which can be freely used, adapted and shared. OER have either been released under an open license or are in the public domain (i.e. copyright protection has expired). Cost-free materials that cannot be adapted and shared by the public are not OER.
	https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/erasmus-programme-guide-2020_en
EMJM(D)	**E**rasmus **M**undus **J**oint **M**aster (**D**egrees)
	An EMJMD is a high-level integrated international study programme of 60, 90 or 120 ECTS credits, delivered by an international consortium of HEIs from different countries and, where relevant, other educational and/or non-educational partners with specific expertise and interest in the study areas/professional domains covered by the joint programme.
	https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/library/scholarships-catalogue_en