

Erasmus Mundus and South Africa

Action 1 – Erasmus Mundus Joint Programmes

Under Action 1, Erasmus Mundus fund Joint Programmes (Masters Courses and Joint Doctorates) that are operated by consortia of higher education institutions (HEIs) from the EU and (since 2009) elsewhere in the world. They provide an integrated course and joint or multiple diplomas following study or research at two or more HEIs. Masters Courses and Joint Doctorates are selected each year following a Call for Proposals.

Each year Erasmus Mundus funds a number of scholarships to students and scholars studying or teaching in Erasmus Mundus Masters Courses. From 2010 onwards, fellowships for doctoral candidates following one of the 13 new Doctorates are also available. There will be 123 Masters and 22 Doctorates offering offer EU-funded scholarships or fellowships to students and scholars, for candidates starting their studies in the academic year 2011/2012.

An applicant to the programme (which becomes the coordinator of a selected project) must be from one of the countries eligible under the programme: currently the EU Member States plus Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. Partners may be from any country inside or outside the EU.

Since 2009, South African HEIs have been eligible to be full partners within new EM Masters Courses and Joint Doctorates. Prior to 2009, it was possible for an existing EM Masters Course to extend its European partnership to include partners from third countries, including South Africa. Six different South African HEIs have become involved in Erasmus Mundus Masters courses in both ways:

STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY	2007	MAE-SP MAE
		EMMAPA - Erasmus Mundus Master in Adapted Physical Activity
		Master International Vintage, Vine, Wine and Terroir management
	2008	European Master in Global Studies
	2009	Master International Vintage, Vine, Wine and Terroir management
International integrated Master course in Algebra, Geometry and Number Theory		
		Global Studies - A European Perspective
		Erasmus Mundus Master in Adapted Physical Activity
TSHWANE UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY	2006	CODE - Joint European Master in Local Development
	2010	CODE - Joint European Master in Local Development
UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN	2005	tropEd - European Master of Science Programme in International Health
	2008	tropEd - European Master of Science Programme in International Health
	2009	European Master in International Health
UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL	2006	MSc EF Master of Science in European Forestry
	2007	PHOENIX World Dynamics of Health and Welfare
UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA	2009	INTERNATIONAL MASTER OF SCIENCE IN RURAL DEVELOPMENT
UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE	2008	NOHA MUNDUS - European Master's Degree in International Humanitarian Action
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To date there are no South African universities involved as partners within Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorates.

Scholarships for South Africans within Erasmus Mundus Joint Programmes

Person type	2004 Total	2005 Total	2006 total	2007 Total	2008 Total	2009 Total	2010 Total	Grand Total
Masters Student	1	7	6	7	10	13	7	51
Masters Scholar	1	6	9	8	8	14	na	46
Doctoral candidate	na	na	na	na	na	na	1	1
Total	2	13	15	15	18	27	8	98

Destination countries of students from South Africa taking part in Joint Masters Courses (table refers to mobility stages undertaken as part of a Masters Course)

Italy	20
France	18
UK	18
Netherlands	17
Spain	14
Belgium	13
Germany	11
Sweden	11
Norway	10
Ireland	6
Austria	6
Finland	5
Poland	4
Denmark	1
Estonia	1
TOTAL	155

Destination countries of scholars from South Africa taking part in Joint Masters Courses

Netherlands	17
Germany	14
France	12
Norway	12
UK	11
Italy	9
Ireland	8
Sweden	4
Spain	2
Belgium	2
Finland	2
Denmark	2
Portugal	2
Total	97

Action 2 – Erasmus Mundus Partnerships (former External Cooperation Window)

Erasmus Mundus Partnerships bring together HEIs from Europe on the one hand and from a particular region in the world on the other. Together the partnerships manage mobility flows between the two regions for a range of academic levels: undergraduate, masters, doctorate, post-doctorate – and for academic staff. Partnerships are selected in an annual Call for Proposals.

South Africa was not included in the 2007, 2008 and 2009 Calls, but the 2010 Call included a specific geographical lot for South Africa. This assigned a budget of EUR 4.8 million to select three partnerships. Between them, these partnerships plan to organise mobility for 231 individuals.

The Call requested partnerships to include at least one of 12 South African HEIs indicated as universities of technology (UoTs) and historically disadvantaged institutions (HDIs).

The three selected partnerships are:

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European partners:	South African partners:
RADBOUD UNIVERSITEIT NIJMEGEN (NL) Coordinator	RHODES UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITÄT DUISBURG-ESSEN (DE)	STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF MÜNSTER (DE)	UNIVERSITY OF KWA-ZULU NATAL
UNIVERSITY OF POITIERS (FR)	UNIVERSITY OF LIMPOPO
UNIVERSITA DEGLI STUDI DI SIENA (IT)	UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA
JAGIELLONIAN UNIVERSITY (PL)	UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

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European partners:	South African partners:
KATHOLIEKE UNIVERSITEIT LEUVEN (BE) - Coordinator	CAPE PENINSULA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF ANTWERP (BE)	NELSON MANDELA METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY
MASARYK UNIVERSITY (CZ)	STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY
FREE UNIVERSITY OF BERLIN (DE)	THE UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN
UNIVERSITY OF GRANADA (ES)	UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE
PIERRE AND MARIE CURIE UNIVERSITY (FR)	
UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM (NL)	
INSTITUT KAROLINSKA (SE)	

EUROSA-Europe & South Africa Partnership for Human Development

European partners:	South African partners:
UNIVERSITY OF ANTWERP (BE) - Coordinator	CAPE PENINSULA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
KATHOLIEKE UNIVERSITEIT LEUVEN (BE)	STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF LEIPZIG (DE)	UNIVERSITY OF FORT HARE
AARHUS UNIVERSITEIT (DK)	UNIVERSITY OF LIMPOPO
UNIVERSITA DI BOLOGNA (IT)	UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA
VILNIUS UNIVERSITY (LT)	UNIVERSITY OF THE FREE STATE
UNIVERSITEIT MAASTRICHT (NL)	UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE
LUND UNIVERSITY (SE)	UNIVERSITY OF VENDA
UNIVERSITY OF LJUBLJANA (SI)	

Planned mobility for South African nationals under Action 2 partnerships (2010 selection)

Partnership coordinator	Masters	Doctorate	Staff	TOTAL
Radboud Nijmegen (NL)	27	21	12	60
KU Leuven (BE)	48	32	16	96
Antwerp (BE)	38	23	14	75
Grand Total	113	76	42	231

Action 3: Attractiveness projects

Under Action 3, Erasmus Mundus funds projects to enhance the attractiveness, profile, image and visibility of European higher education worldwide. Activities focus in particular on the international dimension of higher education, often focusing on a particular region, or academic discipline.

The following institutions are involved in Action 3 projects:

SOUTHERN AFRICAN REGIONAL UNIVERSITIES ASSOCIATION	2010	Cooperation on Doctoral Education between Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe
UNIVERSITY OF PRETORIA	2008	ISEKI_Mundus 2 Internationalization and Sustainability of ISEKI_Food Network
UNIVERSITY OF VENDA	2008	ISEKI_Mundus 2 Internationalization and Sustainability of ISEKI_Food Network