



The European Student Card Initiative

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European Commission priorities



Recovery

Repair the economic and social damage brought by the pandemic



Green deal

Making the EU's economy sustainable and Europe climate neutral by 2050



Digital

A European way to digital transformation respecting fundamental rights



Social Inclusion

Ensuring equal and equitable opportunities and eradicating discrimination



*We cannot achieve an **inclusive, green** and **digital** Europe without providing every young person with a high quality education. **The European Education Area** is the answer to that call*

– President von der Leyen

A joint vision for the future

- European Education Area
- Digital Education Action Plan
- European Research Area
- Future Programmes 2021-2027
- **Upcoming**: Bologna Ministerial Conference



Erasmus 2021-2027

- **Key Action 1:** Mobility of individuals
- **Key Action 2:** Cooperation for Innovation and Exchange of good practices
- **Key Action 3:** Support for Policy Reform

All actions helping to pave the way for the European Education Area!

The new Erasmus+

- New Erasmus Charter
- Flexible mobility formats
- Automatic recognition
- Revised grant system
- **European Student Card Initiative**
- Improved Online Language Support
- New Inclusion and Diversity measures

EUROPEAN STUDENT CARD INITIATIVE

*Simplifying, facilitating,
connecting.*



European Student Card Initiative



Digitalising and streamlining
student mobility
administration



Rolling out the “European Student
Card” and European Student
Identifier



Why?

- Achieve interoperability between IT systems
- Decrease administrative burden
- Enhance GDPR compliance
- Cope with higher levels of mobility
- More time for improving quality and impact
- A symbol of the European student identity

Step-by-step roadmap to paperless mobility



- ✓ 2021: Online Learning Agreements
- ✓ 2022: Inter-institutional Agreements
- ✓ 2023: Nominations and Transcripts of records

Timescale dependent upon users confirming the new systems are fit for purpose!



Step by step approach

- Erasmus+ Studies
- Erasmus+ Traineeships
- Erasmus+ International Mobility
- Erasmus+ Staff Mobility
- Other Mobility Programmes

The role of the OLA

- Crucial step in the digitalisation process
- Significant contribution to simplifying participation and decreasing administrative burden
- Supporting Automatic recognition of credits earned abroad

New ECHE

Implement the priorities of the Programme...

“By undertaking the necessary steps to implement digital mobility management in line with the technical standards of the European Student Card Initiative”



Three ways to connect

- Connect your own IT system
- Connect through a third party provider
- Connect through the Erasmus Without Paper Dashboard

Please visit the [Erasmus Without Paper Competence Centre](#) for more information



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More flexible mobility formats

- **Blended mobility:**
 - Further enhancing the learning outcomes of a traditional student mobility
 - Enabling a short term physical mobility of individual students
 - Blended intensive programmes
- **Short term mobility for Doctoral Candidates**



Automatic recognition

- Council Recommendation
- Commitment to automatic recognition embedded in the new Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE):

“All credits gained during the period of study abroad– as agreed in the Learning Agreement and confirmed by the Transcript of Records – should be transferred without delay and counted towards the students' degree without any additional work or assessment of the student”

The new template

- **New co-created template** will soon be available for the new Erasmus programme
- Supporting the implementation of the **novelties** of the new programme:
 - **Blended mobility**
 - Short term **doctoral mobility**
- Promoting **Automatic Recognition**
- Including the **European Student Identifier**

The New Platform

- First launched in 2015 – around **80.000** LAs
- User feedback via surveys: around **2700 students** and **1200 staff members**
- Based on user feedback, a new platform has been launched with:
 - New features to make it **more user-friendly**
 - New features to make it **more secure**



Main benefits

- Easier to make updates
- More transparency
- Fewer mistakes
- Faster recognition process