

## International Credit Mobility – Not available in Erasmus+ Call 2021, expected in Call 2022

If you are interested to apply for Call 2022, be prepared to send in your Expression of Interest in November 2021.

### **What is International Credit Mobility (ICM)?**

The European Erasmus+ programme 'International Credit Mobility' (ICM) enables BA/MA student, PhD and staff exchange between European universities and universities outside the European Union by means of individual scholarships and travel allowances. All fields of study and research are equally eligible.

### **Goal**

The overall goal of the programme is to improve knowledge, competences and sector specific and personal skills of students and staff members through international exchange projects. The programme is ideal for exploring new partnerships for exchange with universities outside Europe and for enabling student and/or staff exchange in regions where financial limitations normally restrict exchange possibilities. The ICM programme can also be used as a tool to consolidate already existing academic ties with partners outside Europe.

### **Planning**

The application, containing all participating projects, is submitted by the International Relations Office at Student and Educational Affairs (SEA) on behalf of Leiden University in January of the Call year. The results of the application will be published in May. The running time of a project is 3 academic years/36 months.

### **Student mobility**

The minimum duration of a student mobility period is 3 months, the maximum duration of the student mobility is 12 months. Student mobility can concern study or internship activities and includes the mobility of PhD students. Students receive a fixed travel allowance based on the distance between Leiden and the partner university and a month-based scholarship.

### **Staff mobility**

Staff exchanges can be used for teaching and for training for a minimum of 8 hours/week. The minimum duration of the mobility period is 5 days; the maximum duration is 2 months. Staff members receive a financial contribution per day (outgoing staff) for the first 14 days. From the 15th day onwards the grant drops to 70% of the amount. Staff members also receive a fixed travel allowance based on the distance between Leiden and the partner university.

### **Available budget**

Projects are submitted on country level. Within each country project, Leiden University can enter into partnerships with multiple universities. After a project has been awarded, a partnership agreement will be drafted and signed between cooperating institutions. For each region outside of



Europe, a specific budget and number of available mobilities is allocated to the Netherlands by the European Commission. There can be mobility restrictions attached to cooperation with certain regions.

### **Deadlines (expected)**

Staff members of Leiden University representing educational and/or research programmes, institutes or Faculties can submit a project proposal. If you are interested in a project application under the 2022 Call, the following internal deadlines (rough indication) and procedures apply:

1. Deadline for expression of interest: Mid November 2021
2. Results of the pre-selection: Beginning of December 2021
3. Deadline submission 1st draft version: Beginning of January 2022
4. Absolute deadline for final version: Third week of January 2022

### **Application**

Interest to apply for projects under the International Credit Mobility (ICM) application 2022, should be expressed by submitting the 'Expression of Interest' form to the Subsidy Advisor of the International Relations Office of Leiden University by email before the first mentioned deadline – more details will be published medio September. The pre-selection is made by the International Relations Office in cooperation with the Regional Groups for China, Indonesia and Latin America & Caribbean for exchange projects seeking cooperation within these focus regions.