

## **Erasmus+ Programme special needs support**

Erasmus+ pays particular attention to guidance, reception, physical accessibility, pedagogical and technical support services, and, especially, financing the extra costs for students and staff whose physical, mental or health-related conditions are such that their participation in Erasmus+ would not be possible without extra financial support (from here on referred to as "students and staff with physical, mental or health-related conditions"). This is to ensure that you can take full advantage of an Erasmus+ mobility experience.

Each higher education institution (HEI), by signing the [Erasmus Charter for Higher Education \(ECHE\)](#), commits to ensuring equal access and opportunities to participants from all backgrounds. Therefore, students and staff with physical, mental or health-related conditions can benefit from the support services that the receiving institution offers to its local students and staff.

### **Additional grant**

For your access needs during your mobility, you can apply for an Erasmus+ grant for students and staff with physical, mental or health-related conditions in addition to the regular Erasmus+ study or traineeship or staff mobility grant. In preparation of your Erasmus+ mobility, you should indicate your needs and foreseen extra costs linked to your physical, mental or health-related conditions, in order to apply for the Erasmus+ special needs support grant.

### **What are your access needs?**

Areas that could be eligible for support linked to your Erasmus+ mobility, according to individual needs, include but are not limited to: adapted accommodation, travel assistance, medical attendance, supportive equipment, adaption of learning material, an accompanying person, etc.

### **How to apply?**

Ask at the International Relations Office or Erasmus+ Coordinator at your Faculty or equivalents to help you with the Erasmus+ special needs support application form.

Information for outgoing students and staff is available at the International Relations Office and at the Disability Office(r) or equivalents at your institution.

Have a look at [MapAbility](#), an online tool developed by the Erasmus Student Network (ESN) mapping the accessibility of higher education institutions and their services, to make informed choices about your mobility destination.

The [Student toolkit](#) has been designed by students for students, and contains tips and advice to support your learning journey.