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# Erasmus+

## Virtual Exchange

*INTERCULTURAL LEARNING EXPERIENCES*



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is a groundbreaking project to allow youth in

## *Europe and the Southern Mediterranean*

to engage in meaningful intercultural learning experiences as part of their formal or non-formal education.



## What is Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange?

*Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange is a groundbreaking project enabling youth in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean to engage in meaningful intercultural experiences online, as part of their formal or non-formal education.*

Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange is part of the Erasmus+ programme, providing an accessible, ground-breaking way for young people to engage in intercultural learning. Working with Youth Organisations and Universities, the programme is open to any young person aged 18-30 residing in Europe and the Southern Mediterranean.

Through a range of activities, Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange aims to expand the reach and scope of the Erasmus+ programme through virtual exchanges, which are technology-enabled people-to-people dialogues sustained over a period of time.

This flagship programme is established under a contract with the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency, financed by the European Union's budget, and it is implemented by a consortium composed of Search for Common Ground, Anna Lindh Foundation, UNIMED, and Sharing Perspectives Foundation, in association with Soliya, UNICollaboration, Kiron Open Higher Education, and Migration Matters.

## What does Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange offer?



### ONLINE FACILITATED DIALOGUE

Opportunities for young people to connect together in safe online facilitated dialogue to discuss current issues that matter to them, develop a better understanding of each other, build meaningful relationships across borders and cultures, and practice important employability skills.



### TRAINING TO DEVELOP VIRTUAL EXCHANGE PROJECTS

Professional development for youth workers and university educators to learn how to develop a Transnational Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange Project (TEP) in order to enrich and expand existing programmes.



### ADVOCACY TRAINING

Bringing young people from different backgrounds together to develop parliamentary debate skills with the support of a network of trained debate facilitators, fostering listening and understanding through advocacy training.



### INTERACTIVE OPEN ONLINE COURSES

Access open online courses across cultural contexts and national boundaries to learn with peers from diverse backgrounds using bite-sized video lectures, supported by skill building activities and facilitated intercultural discussions.

## Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange 2018 in numbers



**17,000**

○ Indirect beneficiaries across participating regions and communities



**8,000**

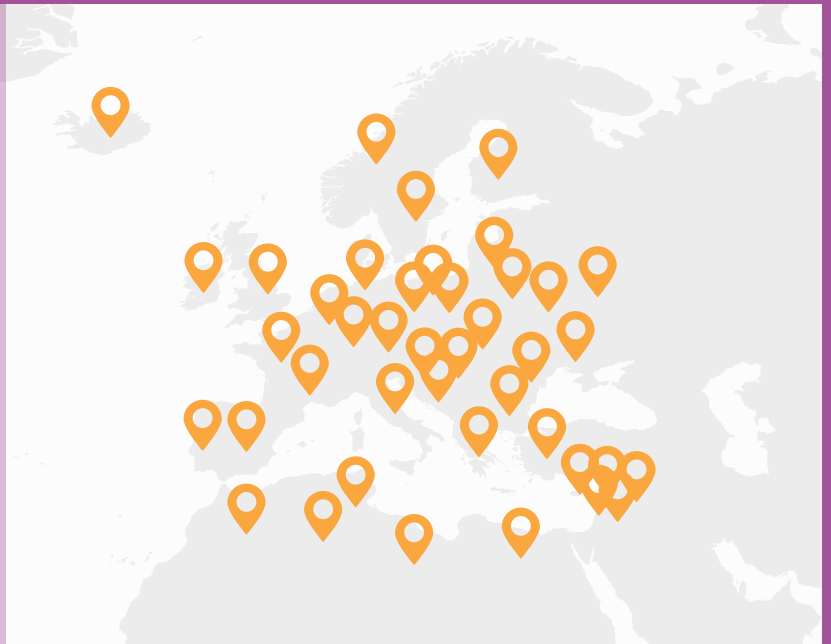
○ Youth participants from Europe and the Southern Mediterranean

## Type of participants sought

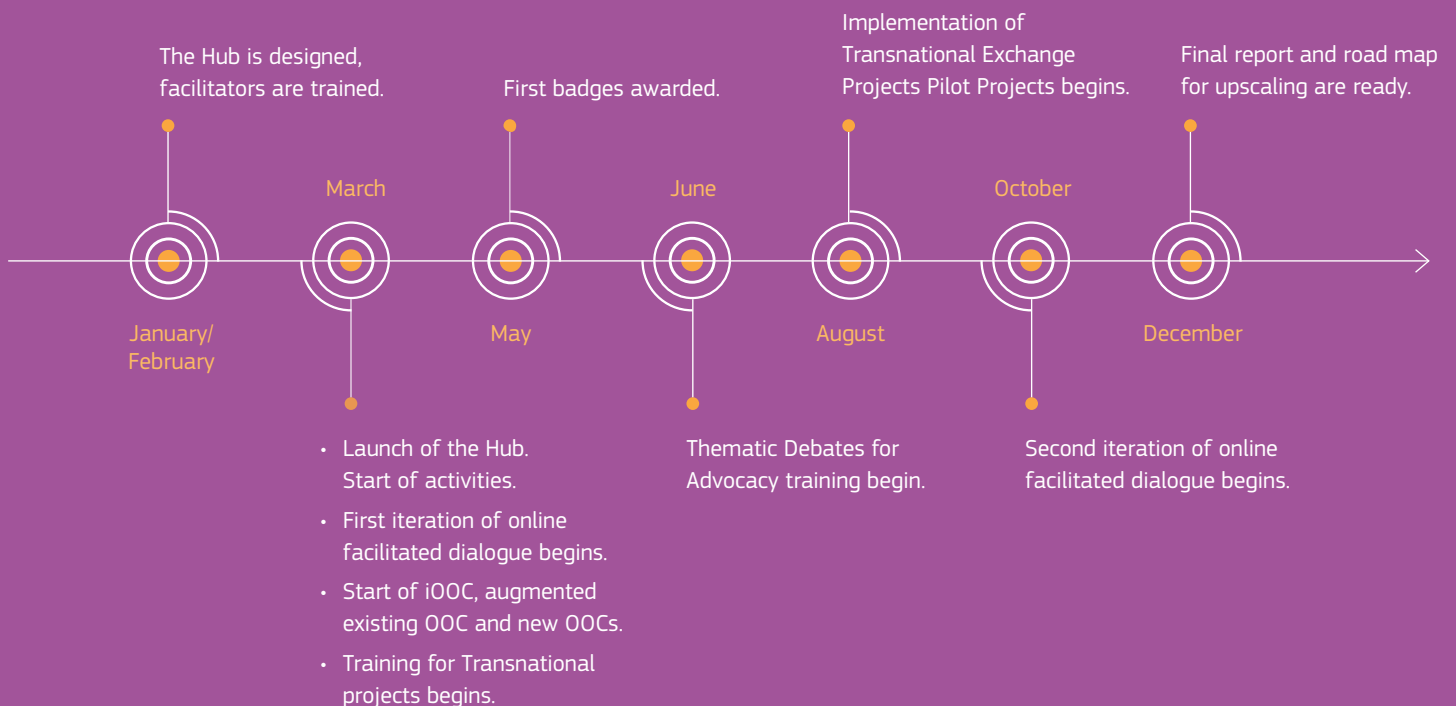
- Young people (aged 18 to 30 years)
- Youth workers
- Students
- Higher education professors
- University managers/administrators
- Educators
- Motivated individuals from Europe or from the Southern Mediterranean

## Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange geographic coverage

The initiative covers Erasmus+ Programme Countries and the Southern Mediterranean region as defined in the European Neighbourhood Policy.



## Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange 2018 Roadmap



## GET INVOLVED

Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange is seeking partnerships with Higher education institutions, Civil society organisations and Youth organisations

There are many ways for you to get involved in Erasmus+ Virtual Exchange .

**Participation is free of charge.**

Find out how you can get involved

[www.europa.eu/youth/erasmusvirtual](http://www.europa.eu/youth/erasmusvirtual)

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