

Erasmus+ Programme

Bilateral Inter-Institutional Agreement

Key Action 1
Learning Mobility for Higher Education Students and Staff

among EU Member States and third countries associated to the Programme ¹

The institutions agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects related to the organisation and management of the mobility, including automatic recognition of the credits awarded to students by the partner institution as agreed in the Learning Agreement and confirmed in the Transcript of Records, or according to the learning outcomes of the modules completed abroad, as described in the Course Catalogue, in line with the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System. The institutions agree on exchanging their mobility related data in line with the technical standards of the European Student Card Initiative.

Grading systems of the institutions

Receiving higher education institutions need to provide a link to the statistical distribution of grades or make the information available through <u>EGRACONS</u> according to the descriptions in the <u>ECTS users' guide</u>. The information will facilitate the interpretation of each grade awarded to students and will facilitate the credit transfer by the sending institution.

Validity period of the agreement

Timeframe	Academic Year*	
Start of validity	[2023/2024]	
End of validity	[2028/2029]	

¹ Clauses may be added to this template agreement to better reflect the nature of the institutional partnership.

A. Information about the higher education institutions

Name of the institution	Erasmus code	Contact details ²	Websites
(and department, where relevant)		(email, phone)	(General/Faculties/ Course catalogue)
University of Thessaly Department of Civil Engineering	G VOLOS01	Administrative contact Theodosia Vasilaki, International Educational ProgrammesOffice/ Erasmus+, 62 Iasonos str., 382 21 Volos -	www.uth.gr http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/
		GREECE Tel: +30 24210 74602, Fax: +30 24210 74603, E-mail: <u>irep@uth.gr</u>	
		Departmental contact: Prof. Christos Papakonstantinou E-mail: cpapak@uth.gr	https://www.civ.uth.gr/en/
Università degli Studi di Messina	I MESSINA01	Administrative contact	https://www.unime.it/ https://international.unime.it/
Department of Engineering		Giuseppe Lucchese, PhD Head of International Mobility Unit	
		glucchese@unime.it	
		Departmental contact: Prof. Brunella Bonaccorso E-mail: bbonaccorso@unime.it	https://archivio.unime.it/it/dipartimenti/ingegneria

 $^{^{2}}$ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

B. Mobility numbers³ per academic year

The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year.

FROM [Erasmus code	ect area na		area name		Number of student mobility periods		
of the sending institution]	code of the receiving institution]	area code (opti onal) * [ISC ED]	(optional)*	cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] (optional)*	Student Mobility for Studies [total number of students]	Student mobility for Studies [total number of months]	
G VOLOS01	I MESSINA01	0732	Building & Civil Engineering	1 st , 2 nd 3 rd	2	2 x 5=10	
I MESSINA01	G VOLOS01	0732	Building & Civil Engineering	1 st , 2 nd 3 rd	2	2 x 5=10	

☐ Short-term blended mobility option for students

By checking this box, the partners confirm that they are willing to exchange students who wish to carry out their mobility in a blended format, a combination of a short-term physical mobility with a virtual component.

³ Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional*: https://circabc.europa.eu/sd/a/286ebac6-aa7c-4ada-a42b-ff2cf3a442bf/ISCED-F%202013%20-%20Detailed%20field%20descriptions.pdf)

FROM	ТО		Subject area name	Number of	staff mobility periods
[Erasmus code of the sending institution]	[Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	code (optiona /)* [ISCED]	(optional)*	Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of staff]	Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of days]
G VOLOS01	I MESSINA01	0732	Building & Civil Engineering	1	5
I MESSINA01	G VOLOS01	0732	Building & Civil Engineering	1	5

C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period:

Receiving institution	Optional: Subject area	Language of instruc- tion 1	of of	Recommended language of instruction level ⁴	
[Erasmus code]	area				Student Mobility for Studies
				[Minimum recommended level: B1]	[Minimum recommended level: B2]
G VOLOS01	0732	Greek	English	English C1*	English B2*
I MESSINA01	0732	Italian	English*	English B2*	English B2*

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*OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION ACCORDING CEFR IS REQUIRED During each Semester Greek language courses are available for all foreign students

I MESSINA01

*if there're subjects taught in English

⁴ For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is recommended, see http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr

D. Calendar

Nominations of incoming students must reach the institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [day/month]	Spring term* [day/month]
G VOLOS01	30th June	30th November
I MESSINA01	June, 15th	November, 15th

Applications from incoming students must reach the institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [day/month]	Spring term* [day/month]
G VOLOS01	30 th July	15 th December
I MESSINA01	June, 30th	November, 30th

Application procedure for incoming students

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
G VOLOS01	Aspa Alexiou Email: aspalexiou@uth.gr Phone: +302421074289	http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/studies-en/application
I MESSINA01	erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it/study-with- us/erasmus-incoming-students-for-study/

E. Additional requirements

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Requirement	Details	Website for information (if applicable)

G VOLOS01	http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/studies- en/courses-en http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/studies- en/teaching-language		
I MESSINA01	Academic requirements CV Motivation letter Other	- Number of ECTS credits completed - Subject area code - ISCED - EQF level	https://www.unime.it/it/international/ects-e-diploma-supplement-0

The receiving institution will send its decision within 4 weeks, and no later than 5 weeks.

Inclusion and accessibility

The institution will provide support to incoming mobile participants with fewer opportunities, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Available infrastructure adjusted for people with:	Description of infrastructure (optional)	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
G VOLOS01	The University of Thessaly has the infrastructure to welcome students and staff with disabilities			http://prosvasi.uth.gr/index_en.html
I MESSINA01	- Reduced mobility - Hearing impairments - Visual impairments 		servizi.dd@unime.it	https://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/servizido

F. Information

1. Housing

The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
G VOLOS01	irep@uth.gr +30 24210 74609	http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/
I MESSINA01	Erasmus Mobility Office <u>erasmus@unime.it</u>	https://international.unime.it (See "Services&Facilities")

2. Visa

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
G VOLOS01	irep@uth.gr	http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/
	+30 24210 74609	
I MESSINA01	Erasmus Mobility Office	https://international.unime.it
	erasmus@unime.it	

3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outgoing mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
G VOLOS01	irep@uth.gr	http://erasmus.uth.gr/en/
	+30 24210 74609	

Erasmus Mobility Office erasmus@unime.it	https://international.unime.it	

4. Additional information

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Information on recognition process / other useful information:	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
G VOLOS01	Grading system of University of Thessaly: Excellent (8.50 - 10.00), Very Good (6.50 - 8.49), Good (5.00 - 6.49). Minimum passing grade: 5.00.		
I MESSINA01	The University of Messina follows the ECTS system.	erasmus@unime.it	https://www.unime.it/it/international/ects- e-diploma-supplement-0

A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 5 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code]	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁵	\
G VOLOS 01	Prof. IOANNA LALIOTOU Erasmus Institutional Coordinator	1 12 20.	22 Arenan	NA NA
I MESSINA01	Prof. Salvatore Cuzzocrea Rector			

⁵ Scanned signatures are accepted