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NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE ERASMUS+ NA DIRECTORS

Subject: Restrictions in participation in Erasmus+ for certain Partner Countries

On 14 February 2017, the Commission sent you a note (Ares(2017)802531) on the restrictions linked to the participation of institutions from Crimea in Erasmus+ .

The current note and its two annexes provide an update of this list and extend it to other regions of the world where Erasmus+ funding cannot be used.

We thank you and your colleagues for applying these rules when dealing with these countries and regions.

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Annexes:

Annex 1. Participation restrictions in Erasmus+ for certain Partner Countries.

Annex 2. List of Crimean institutions.

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RESTRICTIONS IN PARTICIPATION IN ERASMUS+ FOR CERTAIN PARTNER COUNTRIES

Region 2 - Eastern Partnership countries

UKRAINE

The EU has adopted a consistent policy of non-recognition towards the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol to the Russian Federation¹. As part of the EU's non-recognition policy, Crimean entities are not eligible to participate in Erasmus+.

A non-exhaustive list of higher education institutions (HEIs) based in Crimea and not eligible for Erasmus+ was sent to NA Directors on 14 February 2017 (Note Ares(2017)802531). *See Annex 2.*

Note that this restriction applies to all organisations located in Crimea and Sevastopol such as schools, youth organisations, chambers of commerce, etc.

If you have any doubts concerning the eligibility of an institution, please contact the National Erasmus+ Office (NEO) in Ukraine at office@erasmusplus.org.ua

Region 3- Southern Mediterranean Countries

ISRAEL

The reference document for the cooperation with Israel is the "*Guidelines on the eligibility of Israeli entities and their activities in the territories occupied by Israel since June 1967 for grants, prizes and financial instruments funded by the EU from 2014 onwards (2013/C 205/05)*".

These guidelines are referred to in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide listing Partner Countries - see footnote 12 (2018 edition). These indicate that Israeli organisations located in the territories occupied by Israel since June 1967 are not eligible under Erasmus+.

In practice, this exclusion applies to the following HEIs (situation December 2018):

West Bank:

- Ariel University
- Moreshet Herzog College (for Teacher Training)
- Orot Israel College (for Teacher Training)

Golan Heights:

- Ohalo College (for Teacher Training)

Note that this restriction applies to all organisations located in the territories occupied by Israel since June 1967 such as schools, youth organisations, chambers of commerce, etc.

¹ See European Council Conclusions of 20 March 2014 www.consilium.europa.eu/media/29224/141707.pdf and UN General Assembly Resolution number 68/262 on the territorial integrity of Ukraine

If you have any doubts concerning the eligibility of an institution, please contact the National Erasmus+ Office (NEO) in Israel at erasmusplus@che.org.il

LIBYA

As explained in Erasmus+ programme guide, organisations from Libya cannot act as applicants under Capacity Building in Higher Education projects.

SYRIA

As explained in the Erasmus+ programme guide, organisations from Syria cannot act as applicants under Capacity Building in Higher Education projects.

In addition, the following institutions cannot be funded by Erasmus+ as they are listed in the European Union Consolidated Financial Sanctions List:

- Syrian Scientific Studies and Research Centre (SSRC)
- Higher Institute for Applied Sciences and Technology (affiliated to SSRC)
- National Standards & Calibration Laboratory (affiliated to SSRC)

Region 4 – RUSSIAN FEDERATION

According to the Erasmus+ programme guide, organisations from Russia cannot act as applicants under Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE) projects. Moreover, the CBHE projects involving partners from Russia must include at least one other Partner Country (no national projects).

Region 6 – Asia

DPR KOREA

The following institutions are listed in the European Union Consolidated Financial Sanctions List and excluded from any Erasmus+ project:

- Second Academy of Natural Sciences Research Institute
- Yongbyon Nuclear Research Centre

Region 9 – Iran, Iraq and Yemen

IRAN

Three HEIs and three Research Centres are excluded from EU-funded projects in accordance with the European Union Consolidated Financial Sanctions List:

- Malek Ashtar University
- Shahid Beheshti University
- Sharif University of Technology
- Defence Technology and Science Research Centre
- Research Centre for Explosion and Impact
- Organisation of Defensive Innovation and Research

IRAQ

The following institution is listed in the European Union Consolidated Financial Sanctions List and excluded from any Erasmus+ project:

- General Establishment for Designs and Research

Remark: In order to access the European Union Consolidated Financial Sanctions List you need to have an "EU Login" account. Please follow the instructions provided on the EU Login page displayed when you click on the link: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/fsd/fsf>

NON-EXHAUSTIVE LIST OF HEIS BASED IN CRIMEA AND INELIGIBLE FOR ERASMUS+ FUNDING

The main cities of Crimea are: Sevastopol, Simferopol, Kerch, Yevpatoria, Yalta, Feodosia, Dzhankoy, Alushta, Bakhchisaray, Krasnoperekopsk, Saky, Armyansk, Sudak, Bilohirsk, Shcholkine, Inkerman, Stary Krym, and Alupka. The list below is non-exhaustive and up-to-date as of December 2018.

1. V.I. Vernadsky Crimean Federal University, Simferopol

Academies & Institutes (Simferopol)

- Academy of Bioresources and Environmental Management
- Academy of Construction and Architecture
- Institute of Economics and Management
- Medical Academy named after S.I. Georgievsky
- Physics and Technology Institute
- Institute of Foreign Languages

Colleges

- Medical College, Simferopol
- Bakhchisaray College of Construction, Architecture and Design, Bakhchisaray
- Order of the Red Banner of Labour Agro-Industrial College, Simferopol
- Pribrezhnensky Agricultural College, Pribrezhnoye
- College of Hydraulic Land Reclamation and Agricultural Mechanisation, Sovetskiy

Branches

- Alushta Branch, Alushta
- Humanities and Pedagogical Academy, Yalta
- Yevpatoria Institute of Social Sciences, Yevpatoria
- Institute of Pedagogical Education and Management, Armyansk
- Sevastopol Economics and Humanities Institute, Sevastopol

Research & Science Institutions

- Institute of Seismology and Geodynamics, Simferopol
- Research and Education Centre for Noospherology and Sustainable Development, Simferopol
- KrymNIIPROJEKT Research Institute, Simferopol
- Research Centre for the History and Archaeology of Crimea, Simferopol
- St. Luke's Multidisciplinary Clinical Medical Centre, Simferopol
- Research Library
- Kerch Engineering Centre for Urban Planning, Kerch
- Feodosia Engineering Centre for Urban Planning, Feodosia
- Yalta Engineering Centre for Urban Planning, Yalta

2. Crimean Engineering and Pedagogical University, Simferopol

3. Crimean Institute of Business, Simferopol

4. Crimean Institute of Economics and Economic Law, Simferopol

5. Sevastopol State University, Sevastopol

Institutes

- Institute of Information Technology and Computer Systems
- Institute of Nuclear Energy and Industry
- Humanitarian and Pedagogical Institute
- Polytechnic Institute
- Institute of Law
- Maritime Institute
- Institute of Radio Electronics and Information Security

6. Sevastopol Maritime Academy, Sevastopol

7. Black Sea Red Banner Higher Naval Institute "Admiral Pavel Nakhimov", Sevastopol