RULES OF BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR ACCREDITED APPLICANTS UNDER ERASMUS+ KEY ACTION 1

This document defines the rules of budget allocation for accredited applicants within the framework established in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide.

| National Agency | RO01, Romania, National Agency for Community Programs in the field of Education and Vocational Training |
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| Field | School education |
| Call year | 2025 |

1. AVAILABLE BUDGET

| Total budget available for allocation: | 23.750.000 EURO |
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Out of the available budget, at least the following amounts will be allocated for the specified purposes:

| Basic grants and financial performance | 16.084.000 EURO |
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| Qualitative performance and policy priorities | 4.891.000 EURO |
| Inclusion support for participants and exceptional costs | 400.000 EURO |

If additional funding becomes available, the National Agency may increase the available budget. The indicated amounts may be lowered if all applicants have already been allocated the maximum amounts according to the rules set out in this document.

2. BUDGET ALLOCATION

2.0. General provisions

The National Agency will estimate the budget required to implement the activities requested by each applicant, as described in the Programme Guide. If the total budget available for allocation to accredited applicants is not sufficient to provide each applicant with the estimated budget required to implement their requested activities or their maximum grant, then a competitive allocation will take place as described below. However, if the total available budget is sufficient to fully address the requests of all applicants, then the funding will be allocated in that way.

A competitive budget allocation takes place in multiple phases. In each phase, the available budget is divided between eligible applicants based on the criteria described below. For each applicant, the total awarded grant will be the sum of amounts they receive in each allocation phase (and any separately approved amount for cost categories 'Inclusion support for participants' and 'Exceptional costs'). If any applicant cannot receive further funds based on the rules in this document, then any surplus funds allocated to them will be divided among other applicants using the allocation rules specified for each phase. All allocated amounts will be rounded to the nearest whole Euro.

For the purpose of budget allocation, completed projects are the projects from call 2022, with the final payment made by 19th of February 2025 at the latest. Only KA121 projects linked to the accreditation code referenced in the application can be taken into account for the budget allocation. The National Agency may exclude from consideration past projects that have been negatively affected by events outside of the beneficiary's control (force majeure).

2.1. Maximum grant

Applicants that have completed their last accredited project with an absorption rate below 90% will receive at most the amount of grant that they were able to absorb.

Cost categories 'Inclusion support for participants' and 'Exceptional costs' will not count towards the maximum grant.

Maximum grant is limited to **100.000 EURO**.

2.2. First phase: basic grants and financial performance

The applicants will receive at least the following basic grant:

For single accredited applicants, the basic grant will be: 24.000 euro.

- For consortia accredited applicants with 2-3 organisations, the basic grant will be: 12.000 euro/organisation.
- For consortia accredited applicants with 4-5 organisations, the basic grant will be: 9.000 euro/organisation.
- For consortia accredited applicants with 6 organisations and more, the basic grant will be: 7.000 euro/organisation.

2.3. Second phase: qualitative performance and policy priorities

Budget assigned to this phase will be divided among the applicants in proportion to their score and the estimated budget required to implement their requested activities.

The score of each applicant is calculated in two steps:

- a) For applicants that have completed at least one accredited project, the base score will be equal to the final report evaluation score of their 2022 accredited project.
 - For applicants that have not yet completed any accredited projects, the base score will be equal to the evaluation score of their accreditation application.
- b) A bonus to the base score will be applied according to the following criteria:
 - Involvement of participants with fewer opportunities: +0.5 points for each participant with fewer opportunities
 - Implementing job-shadowing activities: +3 points for each participant in job-shadowing activities.
 - Implementing teaching or training assignments: +5 points for each participant in teaching or training assignments.
 - Implementing mobilities for pupils (groups and short-term): +15 points for each project involving group mobility activities for pupils and/or short-term learning mobility activities for pupils.
 - Implementing mobilities for pupils (long-term): +20 points for each project involving long-term mobility activities for pupils.
 - Implementing activities for invited experts: +5 points for each project involving invited experts.