

Get involved in just 5 Steps!

1. Have your CV, motivation statement and business plan ready;
2. Apply on www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu;
3. Select a contact point in your country;
4. Get in touch with a host entrepreneur abroad and agree on the exchange project (i.e. dates, objectives and activities);
5. Once your relationship has been approved, a funding agreement should be signed with your local contact point.

You are now ready to start your stay abroad!



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Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs

Need further information?

Contact the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs Support Office

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www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu

Your local contact point in Belgium



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“This enriching experience will definitely help me set up a successful business, as well as boost my networking possibilities.”

Alena Seginkova, Slovakia,
planning to start a consultancy on ecotourism



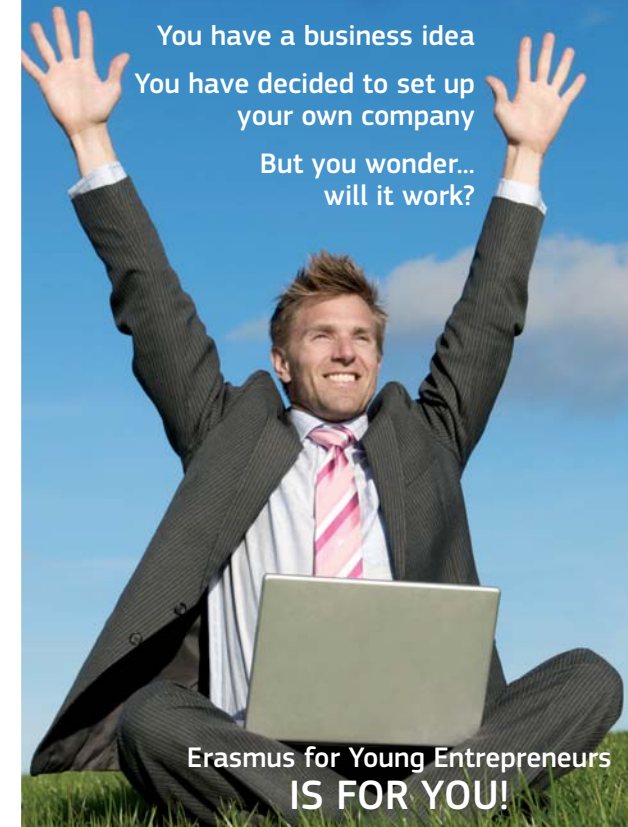
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New Entrepreneur

You have a business idea
You have decided to set up
your own company
But you wonder...
will it work?



Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs
IS FOR YOU!

Enterprise
and Industry

Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs: WHAT IS IT?

Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs is an exchange programme for entrepreneurs, financed by the European Union. It offers you the opportunity to work alongside an experienced

entrepreneur in another European Union country and strengthen the skills you need to develop your business. Your stay abroad can last between one and six months.



WHY GO ON AN EXCHANGE?

As a would-be or newly established entrepreneur, you can find yourself at crossroads. You need first hand guidance.

On-the-job training with an experienced entrepreneur will help answer your questions and prepare you to run your own company successfully.

“I now understand which business model is good for my company and what marketing strategy I should use.”

Georgi Nikolaev, Bulgaria, owner of IT consultancy

THAT'S NOT ALL! YOU WILL ALSO:

- ▶ Develop international contacts
- ▶ Get to know about another European market and about different ways of doing business
- ▶ Strengthen your sector-specific skills
- ▶ Meet successful business people
- ▶ Discover potential cooperation opportunities
- ▶ Get a grant from a European Commission programme

Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs: IN PRACTICE:

The programme is run by a network of local contact points, including Chambers of Commerce, incubators and other organisations supporting businesses, present in the different European Union countries.

After you fill in your online application and get accepted for the programme, the contact point you will have chosen in

your country will provide you with support and assistance to find your host entrepreneur. You will also receive practical assistance during your stay abroad.

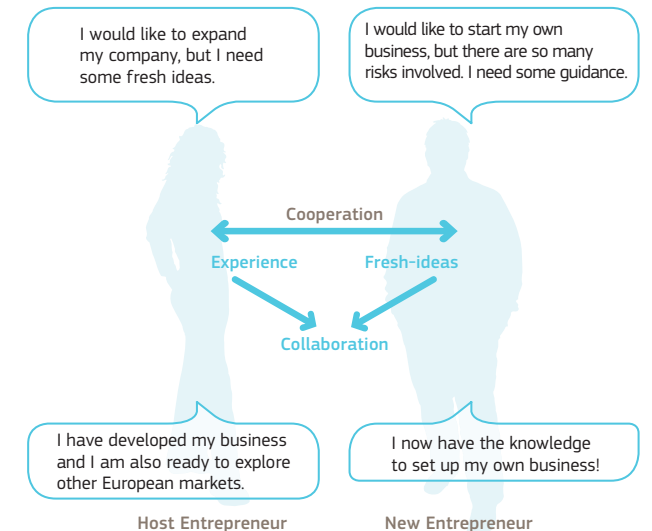
For more information about contact points in your country, please visit “Your local contact point” on the programme’s website.

You can benefit from the programme as a NEW ENTREPRENEUR if:

- ▶ You are a “would-be” entrepreneur, firmly planning to start a business OR an entrepreneur having started your own business within the last 3 years. There is no age limit!
- ▶ You are a permanent resident in one of the European Union countries;

“Having an insight into the day-to-day activities of more experienced entrepreneurs is a true eye-opener!”

Silvio Kunze, Germany,
planning to start an advertising company



- ▶ You have a concrete project or business idea, reflected in a business plan;
- ▶ You can clearly demonstrate your motivation and commitment to engage in a business relationship with an experienced entrepreneur from another European Union country;
- ▶ You are prepared to contribute to the development of the host entrepreneur’s business;
- ▶ You are prepared to cover the costs of your stay abroad exceeding the EU grant.