



# ECHE: Make it work for you!

## How can your Higher Education Institution improve its performance?



### The Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) self-assessment is here!

Through the Erasmus+ programme, your institution runs European and international cooperation projects. Guidelines for the quality and integrity of these projects are outlined in the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE). Do you know how well your Higher Education Institution performs in implementing the ECHE principles?

The self-assessment helps you find out in which areas your institution performs well and which areas could be strengthened. The assessment will generate a tailor-made report with a visual overview of your institution's performance. It also provides tailored suggestions on how to further improve your institution's performance in applying the ECHE. The report is an effective instrument to start an institutional dialogue about Erasmus+ implementation and where it can be improved for the benefit of your students, fellow staff and your institution as a whole.



### Who is the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) self-assessment for?

Two online assessments have been specifically designed for:

- **Rectors and vice rectors/chancellors** to know how well your Higher Education Institution implements the expectations of the Charter. This assessment only takes 10 minutes to complete.
- **International relations officers and Erasmus+ coordinators** to get an in-depth view of your Higher Education Institution's performance in managing Erasmus+ activities. This assessment takes about 40 minutes to complete.

The self-assessment is entirely voluntary and you are the only one who sees the results – unless you choose to share them.

The self-assessment is available for you to use and re-use annually, or whenever you need it to evaluate implementation of the Charter.



### Why is the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education (ECHE) important?

Signing the ECHE is the pre-requisite for participating in the Erasmus+ programme. It enables your institution to be eligible to receive European funding for the 2014-2020 programme period. Respecting the ECHE is the responsibility of all Erasmus+ beneficiaries.

The Charter's principles reinforce successful cooperation between Higher Education Institutions and support diversity in the educational offer of your institution. Implementing the principles effectively contributes to the internationalisation of your institution and high quality cooperation. The Charter helps the thousands of Higher Education Institutions working together through Erasmus+ mobility and cooperation projects to recognise their mutual commitment to excellence and achieve a greater impact together.



# A few reasons why you should take the ECHE self-assessment



Get a comprehensive overview...

... of your institution's performance for **free**. All you have to do is complete the assessment to identify your key areas for improvement.



Be able to evaluate progress over time...

... and compare implementation of the Charter with other institutions.



Your results will be displayed alongside relevant good practice examples.

You can share your results with colleagues or invite them to take the self-assessment to generate a holistic report and start a dialogue.



Come up with a better institutional strategy...

... and bring about positive change in your institution! Holding the Charter gives you access to numerous opportunities offered by Erasmus+. Participating in Erasmus+ makes your institution more attractive to students and staff and promotes modernisation of teaching and learning methodologies and much more!



Reinforce your institution's commitment...

... to the ECHE principles. Implementing the principles contributes to successful cooperation with others and achieving a greater impact together.



The results are confidential...

...and will only be visible to you. Neither the European Commission nor the Erasmus+ National Agencies will have access to your results, unless you decide to share them.



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