



# Priorities for social inclusion in mobility programmes

How can we do more and better?

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When everyone is included, everyone wins.

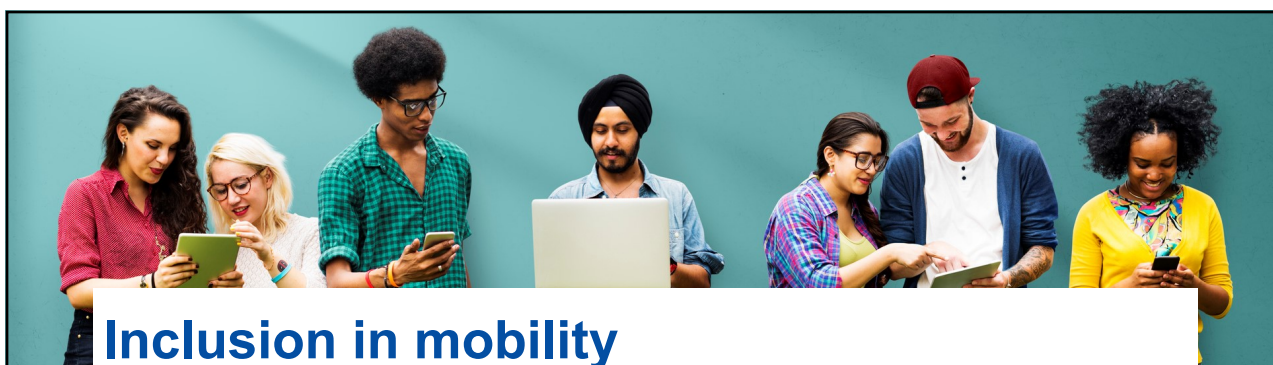
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## We have the **shared vision** and **political commitment**


- Rome Declaration and Paris Communiqué
- European Pillar of Social Rights
- European Education Area



## **Inclusion in mobility**



- Integral part of achieving our shared vision
- Quality education for all means mobility for all
- Thriving in the digital age and more diverse society
- COVID-19 accelerating changes in the labour market





## What are the barriers?


- Financial
- Having a disability or health problems
- Separation from family and friends
- Lack of motivation or confidence
- Language
- Recognition
- Having a paid job or children
- Lack of information


## How can we tackle this?

We need:



- a comprehensive and holistic approach
- shared understanding
- harmonised terminology
- all levels actively involved – EU, national and institutional – and working in sync








Good news – this  
exactly where the new  
Erasmus+ programme  
is heading!



**A new, more inclusive Erasmus+**

- New Charter
- Flexible mobility formats
- Automatic recognition
- Revised grant system
- European Student Card Initiative
- Improved Online Language Support
- European Universities
- New Inclusion and Diversity measures








## Inclusion and Diversity Measures


- Co-created and at the heart of the new programme
- European Framework to address inclusion issues
- Complementary to strategies at national level
- Harmonised terminology
- Recommendations and good practices
- Improved measuring and monitoring




## Synergies with Bologna

Principles and Guidelines to Strengthen the Social Dimension of Higher Education in the EHEA – in particular **principle eight**


- “equal access for all”
- “support blended mobility”
- “foster internationalisation at home by embedding international online cooperation into courses”





## We call upon you to:

- Devise comprehensive and complementary strategies at national level
- Inform institutions about new measures and opportunities
- Consider appointing inclusion officers for more structured cooperation
- Support and guide institutions in implementing good practice and actively working towards mobility for all
- Explore and maximize synergies between Erasmus+ and other EU, national and regional funding



# Thank you



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