

Life Long Learning Programme

2007-2013
COMENIUS

LLP

- Programme duration 7 years (2007-13)
- Budget approx. 7 billion €
- Stresses mobility
- Member states (27) have approx. 500 milj. people
- 33 countries participating in the programme 2011, 50 different languages, 23 member state languages

LLP countries

- The 27 member states
(BE, BG, CZ, DK, DE, EE, EL, ES, FR, IE, IT, CY, LV, LT, LU, HU, MT, NL, AT, PL, PT, RO, SI, SK, FI, SE, UK)
- Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland
- Turkey, Croatia
- Overseas countries and territories
- http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc1208_en.htm

Lifelong Learning Programme

Comenius

School education

Erasmus

Higher education
& advanced
training

Leonardo da
Vinci

Vocational
education and
training

Grundtvig

Adult education

Transversal Programme

4 key activities – Political development; Language learning; ICT;
Dissemination of best practice

Jean Monnet Programme

3 key activities – Jean Monnet Action; European Institutions; European
associations

Target groups: pupils, teachers, heads, staff in

- Kindergartens and pre primary education
- Primary schools
- Secondary schools
- Technical and vocational schools
- Educational authorities
- Universities and HEIs and other organizations involved

Objectives

- Develop knowledge and understanding among young people and educational staff of the diversity of European cultures and languages and their value
- Help young people acquire the basic life-skills and competences necessary for their personal development, for future employment and for active European citizenship

Goals: Comenius aims to

- Improve and increase the mobility of pupils and educational staff across the EU;
- Enhance and increase partnerships between schools in different EU Member States, with at least 3 million pupils taking part in joint educational activities by 2010;
- Encourage language learning, innovative ICT-based content, services and better teaching techniques and practices;
- Enhance the quality and European dimension of teacher training;
- Improve pedagogical approaches and school management.

Priorities (ET 2020)

- Motivation for learning and learning-to-learn skills;
- Key competences: improving language learning; greater literacy; making science more attractive; supporting entrepreneurship; and reinforcing creativity and innovation;
- Schools and world of work;
- School staff and management;
- Addressing socio-economic disadvantages and reducing early school leaving;
- Integration of migrants;
- Early and pre-primary learning.

<http://eurlex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2009:119:002:0010:EN:PDF>

Comenius actions...

Partnerships (NA)

- *Multilateral School Partnerships
- *Bilateral School Partnerships
- *Individual Pupil Mobility Partnerships
- * Regio Partnerships

...Comenius actions

- Mobilites (NA)
 - * In-service-training for teachers
 - * Assistantships
 - * Preparatory Visits
- eTwinning (NSS)
- Centralised projects (Commission)
 - * Multilateral projects and networks

Multilateral School Partnerships

- Joint theme, joint project, joint application
- Min. 3 countries/schools, one is the coordinating school
- Duration 2 years (1.8.2011 – 31.7.2013)
- Grant for two years - 80 % + 20 % based on the number of mobilities
 - min. 4 mobilities 6 000 € (FINLAND) check your country
 - min. 8 mobilities 10 000 € (FINLAND)
 - min.12 mobilities 14 000 € (FINLAND)
 - min. 24 mobilities 20 000 € (FINLAND)including project costs and mobility costs
- Mobilities: project meetings, teacher exchanges, headteacher visits, teachers placements
- On-line application to your own NA (submit, print, sign, send) by

Bilateral School Partnerships

- Language oriented partnerships
- Joint theme, joint project, joint application
- Two countries/schools – one is the coordinating school
- Grant for two years (1.8.2011 – 31.7.2013) 80% + 20 %
 - min. 10 pupils+ 2 teachers 14 000 € (FINLAND)
 - min. 20 pupils+ 4 teachers 20 000 € (FINLAND)
 - grant incl. project and mobility costs
- Mobilities: project meeting, pupil exchange (10 days)
- Pupils 12 years old when travelling
- On-line application to your NA (+ print, sign , send)
- Deadline for applications 21.2.2011
- CHECK THE GRANTAMOUNT WITH YOUR OWN NA

Individual Pupil Mobility

- Between schools with on-going or past Comenius projects
- Countries involved 2011: BE, ES, IT, AT, LV, LU, NO, FR, SE, FI, DK, CZ, EE, CZ,SI, SK, LI
- 3 - 10 month long exchanges for pupils (not necessarily reciprocal) – learning agreement
- Min. 14 years of age at the start of the exchange
- Schools apply for funding – grant to the sending school
- The grant covers administrative costs, language preparation, travels, monthly allowance
- Joint European insurance for the pupils
- NAs arrange training for out-going and in-coming pupils – sending and receiving teachers and mentors
- Deadline for applications 1.12. for the next school year

Regio – regional cooperation

- Cooperation within the educational sectors between two regions
- Local or regional educational authority, at least one school and other organization within the thematic area of the project
- Two countries - one is the coordinating country
- Joint theme: safe school, multicultural school, special needs education, small municipalities – how to keep them alive, school management issues, ways of supporting school staff...
- Activities according to the theme...
- Grant for two years (1.8.2011 – 31.7.2013), 80 % + 20 %
 - Travel costs based on a min. number of mobilities (max 20 000€)
 - Project costs: grant max 25 000 €, covers 75 % of the total budgetMax grant 45 000 € (co funding needed if total grant over 25 000 €)

Paper application to your own NA (print, sign and send by 21.2.2011)

Preparatory visits

- For preparing the project and the application
- Individual PV or a European contact seminar
- PV before submitting in the project application
- Grant covers travel, subsistence/seminar fee
- Deadlines – check your NA
- On-line application (submit, print, sign, send to your own NA)

In service training for teachers and staff

- 1-6 week IS training in an other LLP country
- Comenius/ Grundtvig course catalogue:
<http://ec.europa.eu/education/trainingdatabase/search.cfm>
- Other courses
- Job shadowing, some conferences
- Target groups: teachers, heads, counsellors and other educational staff in pre primary, primary, secondary and vocational schools plus teachers at teacher training institutions
- Dead lines for applications 2011:
 - 14.1.2011 (start of training 1.5.2011)
 - 29.4.2011 (start of training 1.9.2011)
 - 16.9.2011 (start of training 1.1.2012)start of training at the latest 30.4.2012

Grant for travel, subsistence and course fee

Comenius assistants

- Schools can apply for a Comenius assistant (teacher students or newly qualified teachers) from an other LLP country
- for 13 – 45 weeks, max 16 hours/week, max in 3 schools
- to assist in teaching, in project activities, language courses, cultural clubs/activities etc.

- Eligible schools: pre primary, primary, secondary, vocational

- Grant to the assistant from the sending NA – covers travels, monthly allowance and language training
- NAs arrange training for the in coming and out going assistants and hosting schools
- The schools and assistants agree on the length of the period
- Deadline for applications 31.1.2011
- On-line application (submit, print, sign, send to your own NA)

Comenius deadlines 2011

- Multilateral School Partnerships • 21.2.2011
- Bilateral School Partnerships
- Regio Partnerships
- Individual Pupil Mobility
- Preparatory Visits
 - 1.12.2010
 - Check your NA
- In-service-training
- Host schools for assistants
- Assistantships for teacher students
 - 14.1., 29.4. and 16.9.2011
 - 31.1.2011
- Multilateral projects and networks (Commission)
 - 28.2.2011

Further information

- NAs in the LLP countries http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc1208_en.htm
- Commission Comenius pages http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc84_en.htm
- EST – Partnership database <http://est.cimo.fi/search>
- Partnership map <http://www.comeniusmaps.eu/en/pub/index.htm>