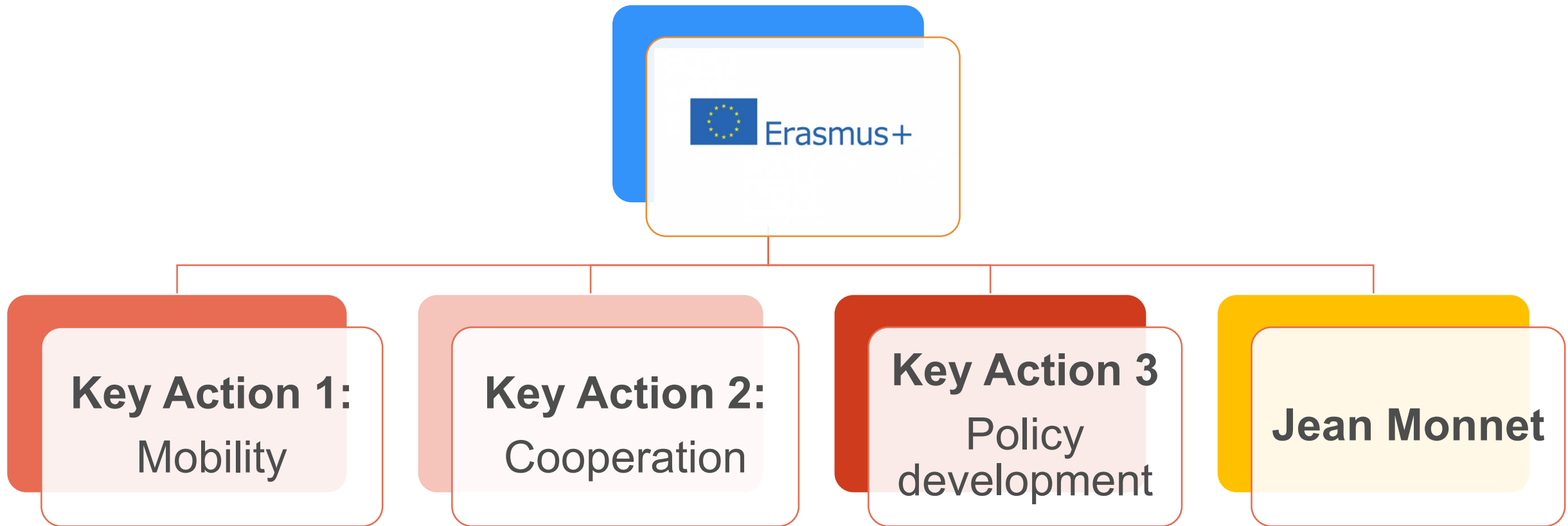




# Erasmus+ & European Solidarity Corps 2021-2021: Introduction to its opportunities

# Structure of the Erasmus+ Programme



# Key Action 1(KA1) – Learning mobility

Mobility for school pupils and staff

Mobility for VET learners and staff

Mobility for higher education students and staff

Mobility for staff and learners in adult education

Youth exchanges, youth participation activities and youth workers mobility

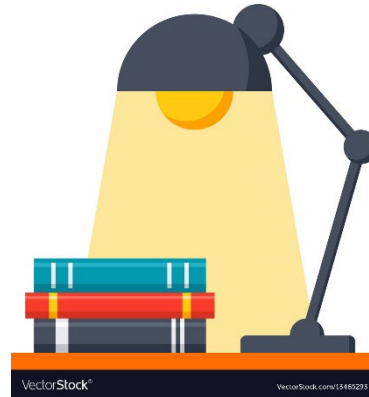
# Key Action 3 - Support to Policy reform



**Dialogue with Stakeholders**



**European Youth Together**



**Studies, surveys,  
evidence gathering**



**Policy experimentation**

Mostly: Specific Calls published by EACEA:

[https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/support-for-policy-reforms\\_en](https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/support-for-policy-reforms_en)

# European Solidarity Corps

Aims to foster solidarity in the European society by engaging young people and organisations in accessible and high-quality solidarity (mainly volunteering) activities.

Offers young people opportunities to:

- make a meaningful contribution to society and help resolve challenging situations across Europe
- develop their skills and get some valuable experience in the process

Volunteering projects offer opportunities for young people to take part in solidarity activities contributing to the daily work of participating organisations, to the ultimate benefit of the communities within which the activities are carried out.

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**2021 - 2027**

# **VOLUNTEERING**

- FOR PARTICIPANTS AGED **18-30**
- **HELPING** WHERE NEEDED AND **GAINING SKILLS**
- IN THE **EU** AND **NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES**

A **Solidarity Project** is a non-profit solidarity activity initiated, developed and implemented by young people themselves for a period from 2 to 12 months to bring positive change in their local community.



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2021 - 2027

# SOLIDARITY PROJECTS

- FOR PARTICIPANTS AGED **18-30**
- **YOUTH-LED** BOTTOM-UP ACTIVITIES
- ADDRESSING KEY **CHALLENGES** IN LOCAL **COMMUNITIES**

## **!NEW as of 2022**

Building on the EU Aid Volunteers initiative, extended scope to cover volunteering activities in support of humanitarian aid operations. The aim is to provide emergency aid based on the fundamental principles of neutrality, humanity, independence and impartiality, helping to deliver assistance, relief and protection where most needed.

- ✓ complementary support such as experienced coaches and experts
- ✓ Individual and in teams



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**HUMANITARIAN AID**

- FOR PARTICIPANTS AGED **18-35**
- **VOLUNTEERING** SUPPORTING EU AID OPERATIONS **WORLDWIDE**
- **TRAINING** PROVIDED



# What is the traineeship?



5 months paid  
traineeship  
(Administrative/  
Translation)



European  
Commission or  
European  
Services/Agencies



2 sessions/year  
(1<sup>st</sup> March or  
1<sup>st</sup> October)



Approx. 1000  
trainees/session

# Eligibility Criteria



**Completion of higher education:**  
Full degree  
(min. 3 year on university level e.g. BA)



**No prior experience in a EU Institution or body for more than six weeks or 42 days**  
(incl. assistant to MEP)



**Very good knowledge of at least 2 EU official languages:**  
EN/ FR/ DE (CEFR – level C) + other EU language (min. CEFR level B2)

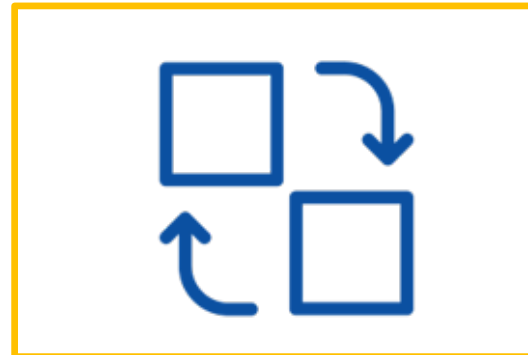
# Eligibility Criteria

No age limit



*If not selected:*  
You can apply for more than one session

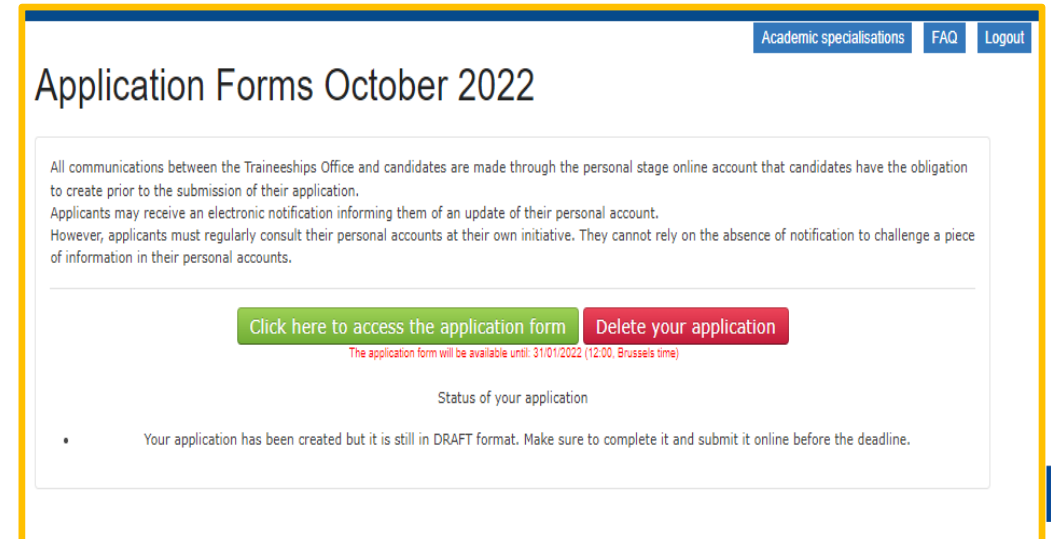
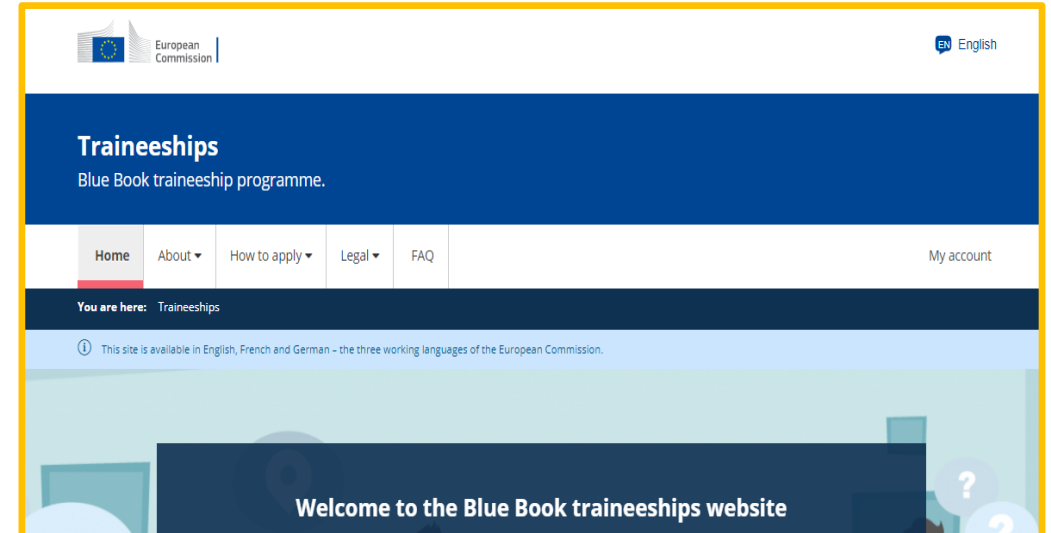
Open to EU and non-EU applicants



*If not selected:*  
You have to submit a new application for each session

# How to submit your application

- **ONLY** during application periods  
(usually January & Summer)
- **ONLY** online application form
- **NO AMENDMENTS or CORRECTIONS**  
after submission
- **ALL COMMUNICATION** with Traineeships  
Office via **personal stage online account**  
**or e-mail**



# What can you indicate in your application?

Educational  
background

International  
experiences  
(exchanges,  
mobility)

Professional  
experience

Language  
skills

# Pre-selection procedure

- Candidates send application + supporting documents.
- Evaluation phase done automatically
- Eligibility check made by 3 evaluators
- Shortlisted candidates may be contacted by the DGs, services & agencies to look more into their profile, check their motivation and availability.
- The final decision to recruit candidates falls exclusively under the responsibility of the DGs, services or agencies and **shall only take effect when the Traineeships Office sends the placement offer!**

# Life as a trainee

- Day-to-day work in unit
- Training courses at the Commission
- Lunchtime conferences
- Visits and trips (Brussels, European Institutions)
- Missions
- *Social activities by Liaison Committee, Trainees' Committee & Subcommittees*



# PRIORITIES OF all PROGRAMMES



Inclusion



Green



Digital



Participation



## Traineeships

Blue Book traineeship programme.



# *General information, application forms and selection procedure*

<https://traineeships.ec.europa.eu>

**PLEASE CONSULT OUR FAQ SECTION**



# Other Useful links

- Look for inspiration and best practices in the Project Results Platform:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/projects_en)  
<https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/projects/>
- More information on the European Youth Portal or on the Erasmus+ website:  
[https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity\\_en](https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity_en) & <https://ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus>
- Contact the National Agencies in your country:  
[https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/contact/national-agencies\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/contact/national-agencies_en)  
[https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/organisations/contact-national-agencies\\_en](https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/organisations/contact-national-agencies_en)
- Contact the Executive Agency EACEA for centrally managed calls:  
<https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus>

