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#### Research Results on Internationalisation of Higher Education in Ukraine

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#### Internationalisation of Higher Education: About the issue

Jacques Delors et al.

Learning: The Treasure Within. Report to UNESCO of the International Commission on Education for the Twenty-first Century. Paris, France: UNESCO Publishing, 1996.

**The Commission' recommendation for XXI century**: more resources for invigorating **international cooperation in education** 



#### Internationalisation of Higher Education: Definition

- International content of curricula
- International movement of scholars and students concerned with training and research
- Arrangements engaging education abroad in technical assistance and educational cooperation programs

Maurice Harari, Jane Knight, Ulrich Teichler, Philip G. Altbach and others



## Internationalisation of Higher Education: Main topics of research

The **main topics of research** on internationalisation of HE:

- > **mobility** of students and academic staff
- > **mutual influences** of higher education systems on each other
- > internationalisation of the substance of **teaching**, **learning**, **and research**
- institutional strategies of internationalisation
- > knowledge transfer
- > cooperation and competition
- national and supranational policies



## Internationalisation of Higher Education: Levels



- First: Supranational (global)
- Second: Continental (European)
- > Third: National/Sector;
- Fourth: Institutional
- > Fifth: Individual



## Internationalisation: Supranational (Global) Level

**Macro-level**, the widest level of internationalization:

- Creates a global "higher education climate"
- Describes supra-national trends and policies
- Form a market of higher
   education services





#### Internationalisation: Continental Level

Groups of countries that have common educational traditions

Strategic directions of reforms of EHEA:

- > Structural reform (Bologna)
- Reform in educational management and governance
- > Reforms in higher education funding





#### Internationalisation: National/Sector Level

## The national level creates a **local "higher** education weather":

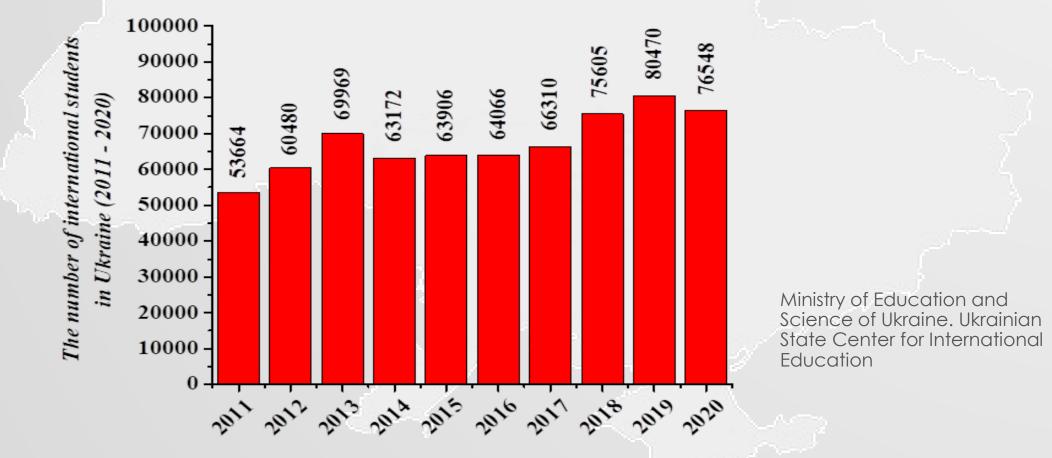
- the strategy, which would work best in the country context
- the incentives, which should be offered
- the governance arrangements that should facilitate the transformation





#### Internationalization of higher education: Ukrainian Case

Number of international students in Ukraine





### Internationalisation: National Level - Ukrainian Case

**Legal framework for Ukrainian higher education**: Constitution of Ukraine (**1996**), Law on Education (**1996**), Law on Higher Education (**2002**), and Law on Higher Education (**2014**)

#### A new Law on Higher Education 2014:

- aligns with the requirements of Bologna for the country to integrate with in the European Higher Education Area
- > enables universities to act with greater autonomy
- > anti-plagiarism norms and liability for academic dishonesty
- establishment of the National Quality Assurance Agency
- promotes decentralized decision making and responsibility for reputation



# Structural reform (Bologna): what has already been done?

- Adaptation of study courses to the two-cycles bachelor's/master's study system
- > Introduction of the European credit transfer system (ECTS)
- Implementation the Diploma Supplement of the European Standard
- International academic mobility
- > Joint degree programs
- > Partnerships



## Reform in educational management: what has already been done?

According to the new Law on Higher Education, Ukraine has worked out:

- New mechanisms for rectors' elections, maximum two terms (5+5; 7+7 for National Universities)
- Rights for the universities to manage their own revenues from education, research, and academic activities
- Separate governmental unit National Quality Assurance Agency
- > New mechanism of electronic admission for universities
- > Automatic placement according to state directives



## International scientific projects

One of the main priorities is the integration of Ukraine into the **European Research Area**.

- > Bilateral Scientific international cooperation with the EU member states
- ➢ Horizon 2020
- > Euratom
- Science for Peace and Security» NATO program
- > European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN)



# Bilateral scientific international cooperation

#### Announcements of the calls for proposals

 call for proposals for Ukrainian-Polish, Ukrainian-Turkish, Ukrainian-Slovak, and Ukrainian-Lithuanian research and development projects for 2022-2023;

#### **Results of calls for proposals**

- Ist of joint research and development projects selected for funding in 2021-2022:
  - Ukrainian-Belarusian 10
  - Ukrainian-French 13
  - Ukrainian-Austrian 10
  - Ukrainian-Latvian 6
  - Ukrainian-Czech 10

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#### HORIZON 2020

2015 Ukraine is an associate member of the European Union Research and Innovation Framework Program "Horizon 2020"

- > 446 competitions for **117 Ukrainian institutions** since 2014
- > 90 projects are funded by the amount of 17,232 million euros
- > 9 are coordinated by Ukrainian organizations
- The total cost of projects involving 117 Ukrainian organizations is equal to 465.851.011 euros



## "Science for Peace and Security" NATO program (SPS)

Number of long-term projects SPS program in cooperation with Ukraine during 2018-2020:

- > 2018 23 projects
- > 2019 25 projects
- > 2020 28 projects

Number of **Ukrainian scientists** who are implementing long-term projects SPS program **during 2018-2020**:

- > 2018 83 Ukrainian scientists
- > 2019 91 Ukrainian scientists

> 2020 - 77 Ukrainian scientists

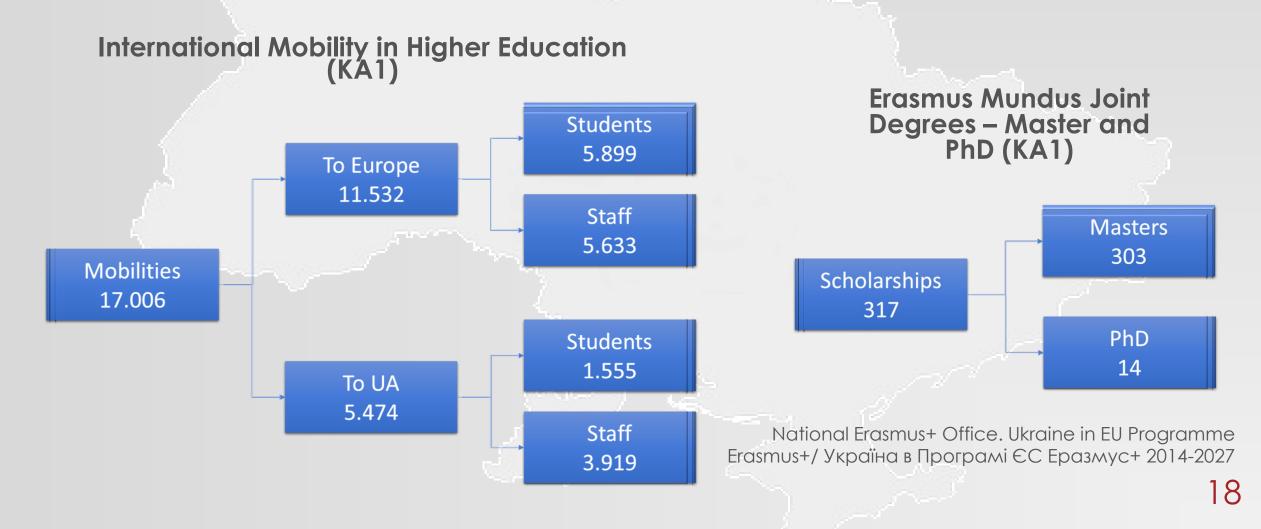


## International education projects Erasmus+

## In the field of higher education, Ukrainian HEIs can participate in the following areas of the international dimension of the Erasmus+ program:

- International academic mobility of university staff and students, interinstitutional agreements (ex-Erasmus)
- > Youth mobility projects
- Realization of Erasmus Mundus Joint Master's Programs (ex-Erasmus Mundus)
- > Virtual exchanges and training for education and youth (from 2021)
- > Capacity building in the field of HE reforming HE (ex-Tempus)
- Strategic partnerships
- > Alliances of knowledge
- > Jean Monet's direction from European Studies







## Capacity building for Higher Education (KA2)



Strategic partnerships (KA2) in Education

> 23 projects with 9 HEIs among partners;

#### Jean Monnet

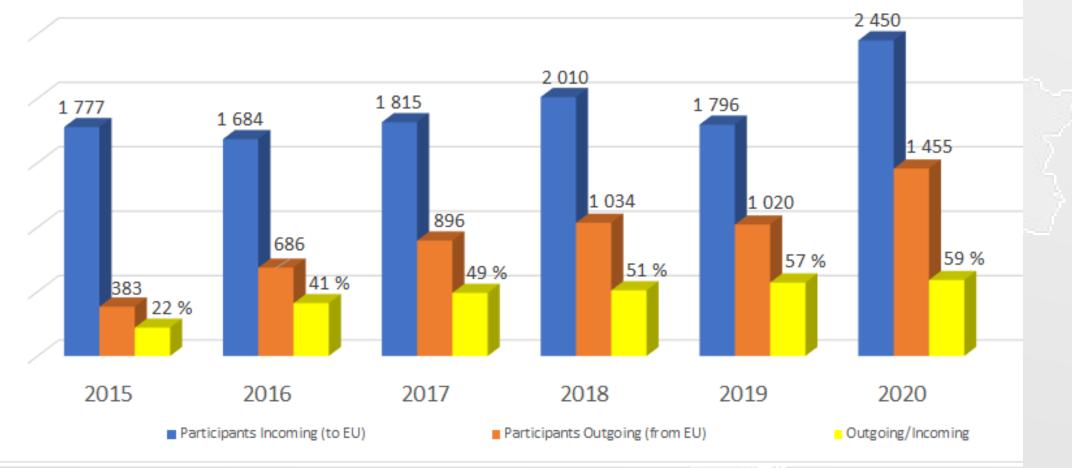
- 121 projects with participation 82 Modules, 4 Centers of Excellence,
- 5 Networks and 8 Support for Associations projects, 1 module as experts.
- 57 UA organizations, including 45 Ukrainian HE and research institutions from 21 cities of Ukraine.



Years	Applications	Selected Projects	Grant Awarded (EUR)	Participants Incoming (to EU)	Participants Outgoing (from EU)
2015	299	161	8.238.000	1.777	383
2016	317	214	7.876.000	1.684	686
2017	394	268	8.270.000	1.815	896
2018	414	272	9.579.000	2.010	1.034
2019	479	407	8.445.000	1.796	1.020
2020	619	567	11.919.000	2.450	1.455
Total	2.522	1.889	54.327.000	11.532	5.474

#### Participants ERASMUS+

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### Erasmus+: New Opportunities for Ukraine within Erasmus+ 2021-2027

- KA1. Mobility project for higher education students and staff ("classic Erasmus") – partner: incoming to Ukraine
- KA1. Mobility project for higher education with partner countries (ICM) – partner: 2 ways exchange
- KA1. Mobility project for learners and staff in VET partner: incoming to Ukraine
- KA1. Mobility projects for young people 'youth exchanges' partner
- KA2. Cooperation partnerships in School/VET/HE/Adult Education/Youth/ Sport – partner
- > KA2. Capacity-building in the field of higher education applicant/partner



## Erasmus+: New Opportunities for Ukraine within Erasmus+ 2021-2027

- > KA2. Capacity-building in the field of VET partner
- > KA2. Centres of vocational excellence partner
- > KA2. 2 Lots Erasmus Mundus Actions applicant/partner
- KA2. 2 Lots Alliances for innovation for at least VET and/ or Higher Education Institutions – partner
- KA2. Forward-looking projects in School/VET/HE/Adult Education/Youth/ Sport – partner
- > KA2. Virtual exchanges in higher education and youth partner
- > Jean Monnet actions in the field of higher education applicant/partner





- Ukraine has been involved in the programs of the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)
- 1998 Memorandum of Cooperation between the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine and DAAD was signed
- DAAD supports:
  - > Lecturer Program
  - Short-term and long-term Assistant professor programmes
  - > Inter-university partnerships
- Project "Training for Higher Education Administrators in Ukraine (THEA Ukraine)"



#### Internationalisation: the institutional level

- Policy of a particular educational institution
- Structural subdivisions dealing with the strategy of international activity





## Internationalisation: institutional level strategies

#### **Program Strategies**

- > Academic programs
- Research and scholarly collaboration

#### Organizational strategies

- > Governance
- > Operations
- > Services
- > Human resources



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- > Tempus projects realized 7 (from 2012)
- Participation in Erasmus Mundus projects 6 (coordinated by the Univ. of Deusto and the Univ. of Turku, during 2007-2016)
- > Erasmus+ Agreements with partner universities 76 (Sept. 2021)
- > Project Erasmus+ KA2 7 (from 2015)
- > Jean Monnet Modules 3 (from 2014)
- Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence 1; Jean Monnet Network 1



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Degree studies in English

- InterMaths Joint MSc in Applied and Interdisciplinary Mathematics with University of L'Aquila, Italy (Faculty of Applied Mathematics and Informatics)
- Master's Degree Program "Baltic-Black Sea Regional Studies" (Faculty of International Relations)
- Double Degree of Master in Law with Vilnius University, Lithuania (Faculty of International Relations)



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#### Horizon 2020 Ongoing Project at IFNUL

 Responsible Research and Innovation grounding practices in BIOSciencies (RESBIOS). 01.01.2020-31.12.2022.
 Coordinator – University of Tor Vergata, Italy.

The University is a founder of 44 scientific serial publications: University bulletin (Visnyk Universytetu):

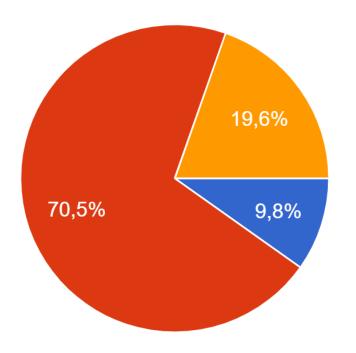
- Biology Series Web of Science
- Journal of Physical Studies Scopus





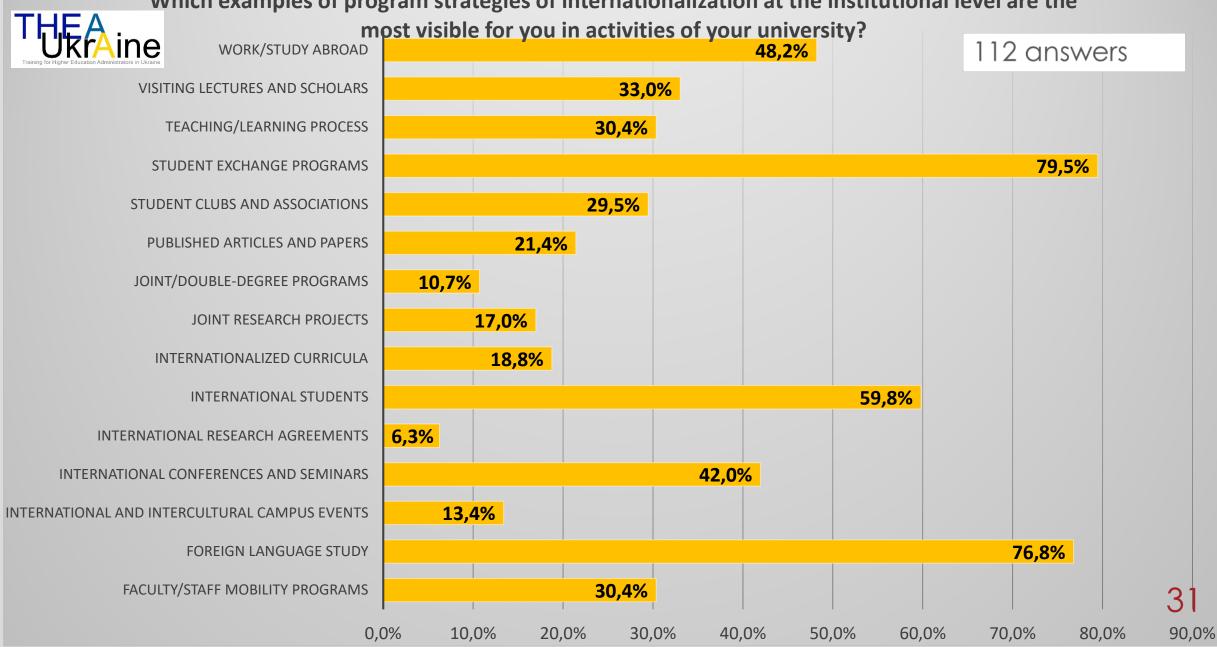
#### Internationalisation: the institutional level, questionnaire of students, Ivan Franko National University of Lviv

Have you participated in an international student academic mobility programs, including Erasmus? 112 answers



Yes
No
No, but I am planning to do it.

#### Which examples of program strategies of internationalization at the institutional level are the



#### Thank you for your attention



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