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ENHANCE-GSL

What is Erasmus+ and ENHANCE-GSL all about?



Presentation outline

- Erasmus+
- Enhance-GSL overview
- Main results
- Future plans



- Erasmus+ is the European Commission financed programme for education, training, youth, and sport.
- It supports learning mobility, cooperation, and policy development across Europe and beyond.
- The programme helps people gain skills and experience through international exchange and collaboration.

Main Actions and Types of Projects

Erasmus+ is divided into three Key Actions (KAs):

- Key Action 1 (KA1): Learning Mobility of Individuals
 - student and staff exchanges, internships, youth mobility.
- Key Action 2 (KA2): Cooperation among Organisations and Institutions
 - partnerships, innovation, and capacity building (like CBHE).
- Key Action 3 (KA3): Support to Policy Development and Cooperation
 - promotes EU education policies and reforms.

Erasmus+ CBHE



CBHE projects support the modernisation and internationalisation of higher education in partner countries outside the EU.

- They aim to:
 - Improve quality and governance in universities.
 - Develop new curricula and innovative teaching methods.
 - Strengthen university–community and university–industry cooperation.
 - Foster regional partnerships and sustainable reforms.

Who can participate:

- Universities, ministries, NGOs, research institutions from EU & partner countries.

Enhancing Capacities for Sustainable Community Engagement: Cases of Georgia and Sierra Leone

Partners

University of Georgia (Georgia)

University of Rijeka (Croatia)

Matej Bel University (Slovakia)

Sulkhan-Saba Orbeliani University (Georgia)

University of Makeni - (Sierra Leone)

University of Sierra Leone - FBC-USL (Sierra Leone)

Associated partners

- University of Rijeka Foundation (Croatia)
- Caritas Makeni Diocese of Makeni (Sierra Leone)
- Care Caucasus - CARE-C (Georgia)
- Mental Health Coalition - MHC-SL (Sierra Leone)
- Learn for Liberty - 22° (Georgia)



Objectives

Goal (general objective)

The general objective is to help incite the bond between higher education institutions and societies in Georgia and Sierra Leone by equipping the universities with the necessary skills and knowledge to engage with their respective non-academic communities timely and successfully

Purpose (specific Objectives)

1. Raise awareness on community engagement
2. Foster community engagement capacity among Georgian and Sierra Leonean universities

Work packages

- WP1 - Preparation
- WP2 - Manual on university-community engagement
- WP3 - Capacity building
- WP4 - Management and Quality
- WP5 - Implementation, Dissemination, and Exploitation

MAIN RESULTS

STAFF TRAINING – 23 staff trained in Georgia

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN HIGHER EDUCATION MANUAL - published

PROJECT WEBSITE - launched





Future plans

Translate the manual into Georgian

Conduct community engagement activities

Translate manual into Slovak – financed by the UMB

Establish community engagement units – in planning stage

Conduct community engagement activities – in planning stage

Train the trainers – planned in 2026

Final Conference

Website - <https://enhance.ug.edu.ge/en>



