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Erasmus Mundus project to boost STEM entrepreneurship across Europe and the Western Balkans

A new €3.8 million Erasmus Mundus project is enabling the exchange of staff and students across higher education institutions in the European Union (EU) and the Western Balkans, while fostering entrepreneurship and management skills in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). City University London is coordinating the project with seven partners in the EU and eight in the Western Balkans.

The European Commission's [Erasmus Mundus](#) programme aims to enhance quality in higher education through scholarships and academic cooperation between Europe and the rest of the world.

The new [EM2-STEM](#) scheme will offer scholarships for study, research and work opportunities to more than 260 Bachelor and Masters students, early career PhD or post-doctoral researchers, and administrative, academic and research staff.

These opportunities are open to:

- Target group 1: students and staff of the EU and Western Balkan universities running the project (please see the list of institutions below)
- Target group 2: Any Western Balkan Masters level students wishing to do an exchange as part of their home degree in one of the EU partner universities
- Target group 3: Western Balkan nationals who are in particularly vulnerable situations, for social and political reasons, and wish to study or carry out research in one of the EU universities.

As well as benefiting from the opportunity to experience a different culture, learn a language, and make new friends and contacts, participants on the project will also take intensive

modules and summer school courses focussed on entrepreneurship and management skills, aiding the development of high-tech research, and hence enterprise, across the continent.

Participants on the scheme will receive a generous scholarship for living expenses, travel and insurance, as well as tuition fees where applicable, and can apply at <http://www.em2stem.eu> by the deadline of Friday 15 April 2011. At least 70% of participants will come from the Western Balkans.

Applications will be competitive, with a high number of applications expected. If you are interested, please look at the website and speak to the EM2-STEM representative at your university. If you are a prospective applicant for target groups 2 or 3, please use the [contact details for City University London](#).

The EU HEIs taking part are: Lappeenranta University of Technology, Finland; Freie University Berlin, Germany; University of Limerick, Ireland; City University London, UK; Wroclaw University of Technology and University of Warsaw, Poland; and University of Bucharest, Technical University of Cluj-Napoca and Horia Hulubei Institute of Research and Development for Physics and Nuclear Engineering, Romania.

The Western Balkan participating HEIs are: Polytechnic University of Tirana, Albania; University of Tuzla and University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; University of Split, Croatia; University of Business & Technology, Kosovo; University St Kliment Ohridski Bitola, Macedonia; and University of Nis and University of Novi Sad, Serbia.