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INFORMATION NOTE

The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme second Call for proposals published

The European Union will invest further €10 million in projects to promote student and staff exchange in Africa under the Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme. The second Call for proposals was published on 28 January 2017 with a deadline for submission of applications on 2 May 2017.

The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) of the European Commission published on 28 January 2017 the second Call for proposals under the Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme. The Agency is responsible for managing the programme in collaboration with the African Union Commission (AUC) and under the supervision of the Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development of the European Commission.

The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme supports higher education cooperation between countries in Africa. It provides financial support to partnerships of African higher education institutions (HEIs) for the organisation and the implementation of student and staff mobility in high quality master and doctoral programmes within African countries. The objective of the scheme is to improve the skills and competences of African students and staff through enhanced mobility between universities in the continent. It also aims to contribute to the improvement of the quality of higher education through internationalisation and harmonisation.

The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme is set up under the Pan-African Programme and is based on the experience of the Intra-ACP Academic Mobility Scheme. Seven projects were selected in 2016 as a result of the first Intra-Africa Call for proposals and started their activity in November 2016.

The recently published second Call for proposals is open to higher education institutions from Africa. Applications must be submitted to EACEA in accordance with the conditions and timetable defined in the Call for proposals EACEA/05/2017. The applicant institution submits the application on behalf of the partnership, which must be composed of minimum 4 and maximum 6 African higher education institutions (including the applicant). In addition, a HEI from the EU, holding an Erasmus Charter for Higher Education, must be included in the partnership as technical partner. Each project budget is between €1 and 1.4 million. The deadline for submission of applications is 2 May 2017.

The selected projects will receive a grant to cover the costs of the organisation of the mobility flows and the scholarships to be awarded to the selected students and staff.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE CALL AND THE PROGRAMME:

Call for proposals EACEA/05/2017 https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/intra-africa/funding/intra-africa-academic-mobility-scheme-2017_en

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