

Erasmus+ Programme

Key Action 1 – Mobility for learners and staff – Higher Education Student and Staff Mobility

Inter-institutional¹ agreement 2014-2021² between programme countries

The institutions named below agree to cooperate for the exchange of students and/or staff in the context of the Erasmus+ programme. They commit to respect the quality requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education in all aspects related to the organisation and management of the mobility, in particular the recognition of the credits awarded to students by the partner institution.

A. Information about higher education institutions

Name of the institution (and department, where relevant)	Erasmus code	Contact details ³ (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the course catalogue)
Università degli Studi di Messina	I MESSINA01	Dott.ssa Grazia De Tuzza Settore Relazioni Internazionali - Piazza S.Pugliatti, 1 I- 98122 Messina Italy Phone: +39 090 6768531 +39 090 6768532 Fax: +39 090 6768332 Email: relint@unime.it	http://relint.unime.it/
İhsan Doğramacı Bilkent University	TR ANKARA07	Prof.Dr. Orhan Aytür ERASMUS Institutional Coordinator exchange@bilkent.edu.tr Tel: +90 312 290 2748 Aysegul Basol, Coordinator, Office of International Students and	http://www.bilkent.edu.tr/bilkent/academic/exchange/

¹ Inter-institutional agreements can be signed by two or more higher education Institutions

² Higher Education Institutions have to agree on the period of validity of this agreement

³ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

		Exchange Programs exchange@bilkent.edu.tr Tel: +90 312 290 2435	
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B. Mobility numbers⁴ per academic year

[Paragraph to be added, if the agreement is signed for more than one academic year:

The partners commit to amend the table below in case of changes in the mobility data by no later than the end of January in the preceding academic year.]

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED]	Subject area name *	Study cycle [short cycle, 1 st , 2 nd or 3 rd] *	Number of student mobility periods	
					Student Mobility for Studies [total number of months of the study periods or average duration ⁴]	Student Mobility for Traineeships
I MESSINA01	TR ANKARA07	0533	Physics	1 st (BA)	2 x 5 months (10)	N/A
TR ANKARA07	I MESSINA01	0533	Physics	1 st (BA)	2 x 5 months (10)	N/A

[*Optional: subject area code & name and study cycle are optional. Inter-Institutional agreements are not compulsory for Student Mobility for Traineeships or Staff Mobility for Training. Institutions may agree to cooperate on the organisation of traineeship; in this case they should indicate the number of students that they intend to send to the partner country. Total duration in months/days of the student/staff mobility periods or average duration can be indicated if relevant.]

FROM [Erasmus code of the sending institution]	TO [Erasmus code of the receiving institution]	Subject area code * [ISCED]	Subject area name *	Number of staff mobility periods	
				Staff Mobility for Teaching [total number of days of teaching periods or average duration ⁴]	Staff Mobility for Training *
I MESSINA01	TR ANKARA07	0533	Physics	To be declared	1
TR ANKARA07	I MESSINA01	0533	Physics	To be declared	1

C. Recommended language skills

The sending institution, following agreement with the receiving institution, is responsible for providing support to its nominated candidates so that they can have the recommended language skills at the start of the study or teaching period:

⁴ Mobility numbers can be given per sending/receiving institutions and per education field (optional*:
<http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/International-standard-classification-of-education.aspx>)

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Optional: Subject area	Language of instruction 1	Language of instruction 2	Recommended language of instruction level ⁵	
				Student Mobility for Studies Minimum recommended level: B1	Staff Mobility for Teaching Minimum recommended level: B2
I MESSINA01		Italian	-	B1	
TR ANKARA 07		English	-	B2 for English	B2

For more details on the language of instruction recommendations, see the course catalogue of each institution [Links provided on the first page].

D. Additional requirements

[To be completed if necessary, other requirements may be added on academic or organisational aspects, e.g. the selection criteria for students and staff; measures for preparing, receiving and integrating mobile students and/or staff]

[Please specify whether the institutions have the infrastructure to welcome students and staff with disabilities.]

The University of Messina welcomes students and staff with disabilities. For questions regarding services to students in need of individual arrangements in connection with studies and/or examinations, please see the following link: http://www.unime.it/sezione_disabili/

E. Calendar

1. Applications/Information on nominated students must reach the receiving institution by:

Receiving institution [Erasmus code]	Autumn term* [month]	Spring term* [month]
I MESSINA01	Nomination deadline: May 15th Application Form: May 30th	Nomination deadline: October 15th Application Form: October 30th
TR ANKARA 07	May 15th	November 15th

[* to be adapted in case of a trimester system]

2. The receiving institution will send its decision within 4 weeks.
3. A Transcript of Records will be issued by the receiving institution no later than 4 weeks after the assessment period has finished at the receiving HEI. [It should normally not exceed five weeks according to the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education guidelines]
4. Termination of the agreement

[It is up to the Involved Institutions to agree on the procedure for modifying or terminating the inter-institutional agreement. However, in the event of unilateral termination, a notice of at least one academic year should be given. This means that a unilateral decision to discontinue the

⁵ For an easier and consistent understanding of language requirements, use of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) is recommended, see <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr>

exchanges notified to the other party by 1 September 20XX will only take effect as of 1 September 20XX+1. The termination clauses must include the following disclaimer: "Neither the European Commission nor the National Agencies can be held responsible in case of a conflict."]

F. Information

1. Grading systems of the institutions

I MESSINA01:

<http://relint.unime.it/en/Internazionalizzazione/diploma-supplement/>

<http://relint.unime.it/files/2012/09/Tabella-di-Conversione-voti-con-il-sistema-ECTS-DM270-04.pdf>

TR ANKARA 07:

Bilkent University's official grading system uses letter grades with pluses and minuses. Passing grades range from A+ to D; F, FX grades fail. The quality-point equivalents of the grades are as follows:

A+ = 4.00, A = 4.00, A- = 3.70, B+ = 3.30, B = 3.00, B- = 2.70, C+ = 2.30, C = 2.00, C- = 1.70, D+ = 1.30, D = 1.00, F = 0.00, FX = 0.00

<http://catalog.bilkent.edu.tr/current/general/grading.html>

2. Visa

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance, when required, in securing visas for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
I MESSINA01	relint@unime.it	http://relint.unime.it/files/2012/09/Incoming-Erasmus-Handbook2.pdf (see Compulsory fulfillments-Italian immigration rules)
TR ANKARA 07	Office of International Students and Exchange Programs exchange@bilkent.edu.tr Tel: +90 312 290 2435	http://www.bilkent.edu.tr/bilkent/academic/exchange/visa_permit.html

3. Insurance

The sending and receiving institutions will provide assistance in obtaining insurance for incoming and outbound mobile participants, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

The receiving institution will inform mobile participants of cases in which Insurance cover is not automatically provided. Information and assistance can be provided by the following contact points and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
I MESSINA01	relint@unime.it	http://relint.unime.it/en/mobilita-in-entrata/informazioni-utili/ (see Health insurance)
TR ANKARA 07	exchange@bilkent.edu.tr	http://www.bilkent.edu.tr/bilkent/academic/exchange/cost.html

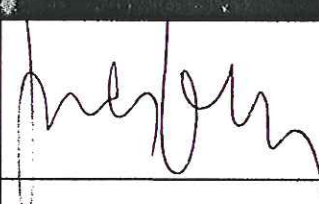



4. Housing

The receiving institution will guide incoming mobile participants in finding accommodation, according to the requirements of the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education.

Information and assistance can be provided by the following persons and information sources:

Institution [Erasmus code]	Contact details (email, phone)	Website for information
I MESSINA01	relint@unime.it	http://relint.unime.it/en/mobilita-in-entrata/informazioni-utili/ (see Accommodation and meals)
TR ANKARA 07	dormexchange@bilkent.edu.tr +90 312 290 40 15	http://www.bilkent.edu.tr/bilkent/academic/exchange/accommodation.html

G. SIGNATURES OF THE INSTITUTIONS (legal representatives)

Institution [Erasmus code]	Name, function	Date	Signature ⁶
I MESSINA01	Prof. Pietro Navarra Rector	4 MAR. 2014	 
TR ANKARA 07	Prof. Dr. Orhan Aytür Vice-Rector, Institutional ERASMUS-Coordinator	21.3.2014	 

⁶ Scanned signatures are accepted