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Answer given by Executive Vice-President Mînzatu  
on behalf of the European Commission  
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The 2021-2027 Erasmus+ regulation<sup>1</sup> foresees a budget distribution across its sectors and between management modes. No fixed budget is allocated to learning mobility and cooperation projects within sectors. Instead, the Regulation envisions expanding learning mobility opportunities to extend its reach and satisfy the demand.

On this basis, the Commission has prioritised support for learning mobility<sup>2</sup>, as endorsed by the Programme Committee. The European Parliament<sup>3</sup> further called to keep Erasmus+ close to the people and ensure it remains a ‘citizens’ programme’ offering quality education and mobility opportunities for young people and learners of all ages. This approach was supported in recent consultations<sup>4</sup>.

Between 2021 and 2024, the average success rate of Key Action 2 cooperation partnerships in higher education was 31% (total grant amount: EUR 446 million), in line with the period 2017-2020 (32%, EUR 416 million granted). This rate is higher compared to the success rate of cooperation partnerships across sectors (21%). Also, national agencies can reallocate budgets with a specific margin based on assessed needs.

Transnational cooperation remains key to Erasmus+, supporting modernisation, skills development, and the green and digital transitions. Together with other forms of partnerships, Cooperation Partnerships contribute to these objectives, driving reforms and contributing to the Union of Skills<sup>5</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EU) 2021/817 of 20 May 2021.

<sup>2</sup> During the Covid-19 pandemic allocations for cooperation was temporarily increased due to restrictions on mobility.

<sup>3</sup> Resolution of 16 January 2024 on the implementation of the 2021-2027 Erasmus+ programme.

<sup>4</sup> [https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13454-Erasmus+-2021-27-interim-evaluation-Erasmus+-2014-20-final-evaluation\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/13454-Erasmus+-2021-27-interim-evaluation-Erasmus+-2014-20-final-evaluation_en).

<sup>5</sup> [https://commission.europa.eu/topics/eu-competitiveness/union-skills\\_en](https://commission.europa.eu/topics/eu-competitiveness/union-skills_en).