

Comenius

In the lifelong learning programme

LLP Structure

<p>Comenius</p> <p>School education</p>	<p>Erasmus</p> <p>Higher education & advanced training</p>	<p>Leonardo da Vinci</p> <p>Vocational education and training</p>	<p>Grundtvig</p> <p>Adult education</p>
<p>Transversal Programme</p> <p>4 key activities – Political development; Language learning; ICT; Dissemination of best practice</p>			
<p>Jean Monnet Programme</p> <p>3 key activities – Jean Monnet Action; European Institutions; European associations</p>			

Comenius aims

- To develop **knowledge and understanding** among young people and educational staff of the diversity of **European cultures and languages** and its values
- To help young people to acquire the **basic life-skills and competences** necessary for their personal development, for **future employment** and for **active European citizenship**

What are the Comenius Actions?

- 1. Mobility of individuals: Pupil Mobility
In-Service Training, Comenius
Assistantships**
- 2. Comenius Partnerships- (School
partnerships ; Regio partnerships)**
- 3. Multilateral Cooperation Projects**
- 4. Comenius Networks**



Individual Pupil Mobility

- To allow pupils (14+ years old) to study abroad - **3- 10 months**
- Mobility is organised by schools which are working /worked in the past in a Comenius project

Hosting a **Comenius assistant**

Schools can apply to host a Comenius Assistant, a future teacher of any subject.

The Comenius Assistant can give schools support for:

- Introducing or reinforcing the European dimension;
- Implementing CLIL (Content and Language Integrated Learning) by teaching a subject in a foreign language.
- Improving the pupils' comprehension and expression in foreign languages, enriching the language offer at the school
- Developing and implementing projects e.g. Comenius School Partnerships
- Working with pupils with special educational needs

The host school does not receive any funds

Assistants receive a grant by National Agencies

Duration

3 months to max. 1 school year

Selection

By National Agencies

Comenius in-Service Training



- Participation in European training activities for teachers and other school education staff
- Training has to take place abroad, not in home country



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- **Course themes:**
teaching techniques,
methodologies,
school management
issues, etc.

- **Teacher placements**

Duration

1 to 6 weeks

**Grant contributes
to travel and
subsistence costs
and course fees**

Selection

By National Agencies



Comenius Regio

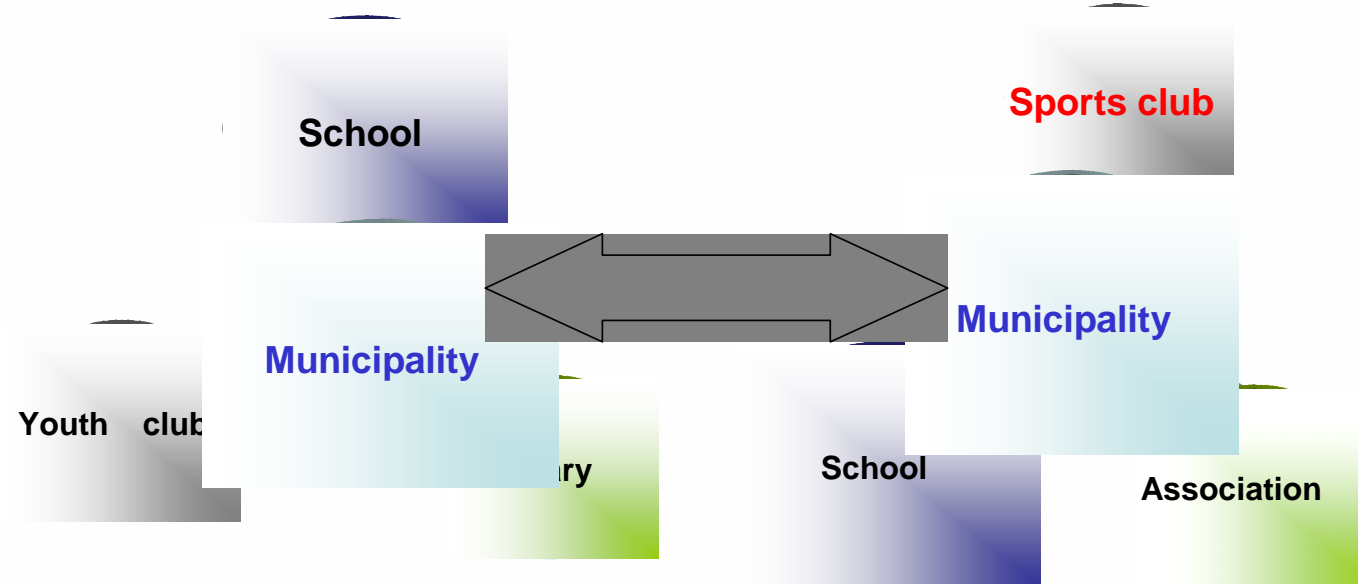
Comenius Regio aims at enhancing the **European dimension** of education by promoting **joint co-operation activities between local and regional authorities** with a role in school education in Europe.

They give educational authorities, in cooperation with schools and other actors in education, in different regions, the opportunity **to work together on one or more topics of mutual interest.**



Comenius Regio Partnerships

*Bilateral Partnerships between regional or local authorities
with a role in school education*



School partnerships



School Partnerships: Enhancing the European Dimension of the Education by promoting **cooperation** between schools

- **Multilateral partnerships** *between at least **three** schools from at least **three** different countries*
- **Bilateral partnerships** *between **two** schools from **two** different countries, possible with a focus on language learning, including **two reciprocal class exchanges** lasting minimum **10 days each** and involving pupils **aged 12 or older**.*

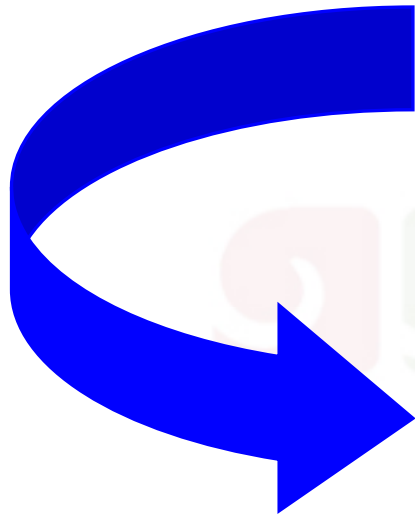
Comenius Partnerships Focus

- Comenius partnership focusing **on pupil participation** could deal with thematic areas such as arts, science, languages, environmental education cultural heritage etc...
- Partnerships focusing on pedagogical methods and management issue (**school oriented**) : opportunity to exchange experiences and information to develop new pedagogical methods and new organizational and pedagogical approaches
- **Language oriented** partnerships seek to promote linguistic diversity in Europe and have to include class exchanges

Examples of activities

- **Partner meetings**
- **Exchanges of staff and pupils**
- **Exchanges of experiences and good practices**
- **Producing technical objects, drawings, art objects**
- **Performances (theatre plays, musical)**
- **Exhibitions**

WHO IS THE COORDINATOR?



A “Coordinating Institution” is responsible for submitting a **complete joint application on-line**.

It also sends a copy to each partner .
Coordinator and partner send a copy to NAs

Often the coordinator keeps track of the overall development of the partnership, monitoring its progress.

It acts as the contact point

And the PARTNER INSTITUTIONS?

Each organisation in the Partnership must apply its own National Agency for funding



Each institution participating in a Comenius Partnership is responsible for the activities taking place in its own organisation.

Each institution has to report to its own National Agency and demonstrate that it has implemented the activities planned.

SUGGESTIONS FOR PLANNING A SHORTLIST



- ✓ Aims should be clear
- ✓ The methodology appropriate for achieving the objectives
- ✓ The activity plan is well-defined
- ✓ Tasks are distributed among the partners
- ✓ Activities are described for the entire two-year duration

SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR PLANNING



- ✓ Establish and keep open the channels of communication
- ✓ Create firm and realistic timetable to achieve desired outcomes
- ✓ Agree in advance which partner does what and when
- ✓ Consider how you will monitor and evaluate the project

MONITOR: TIME - COST - QUALITY

Monitoring may follow the process of planning and consists of three consecutive and connected stages

1. Supervising the actual activities
2. Comparing planned activities with those being done or completed
3. Evaluating activities and considering future projects

MULTILATERAL PARTNERSHIPS MOBILITY AND GRANT

Each NA will determine the flat-rate amounts for its country

from 4 to 7 mobilities: max. EU flat-rate grant **10.000 Euro**

from 8 to 11 mobilities: max. EU flat-rate grant **15.000 Euro**

from 12 to 23 mobilities: max. EU flat-rate grant **20.000 Euro**

from 24 mobilities or more: max. EU flat-rate grant **25.000 Euro**

Budgetary support for mobility and local project costs

BILATERAL PARTNERSHIPS: MOBILITY AND GRANT

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- from 12 to 23 mobilities: max. EU flat-rate grant 20.000 Euro

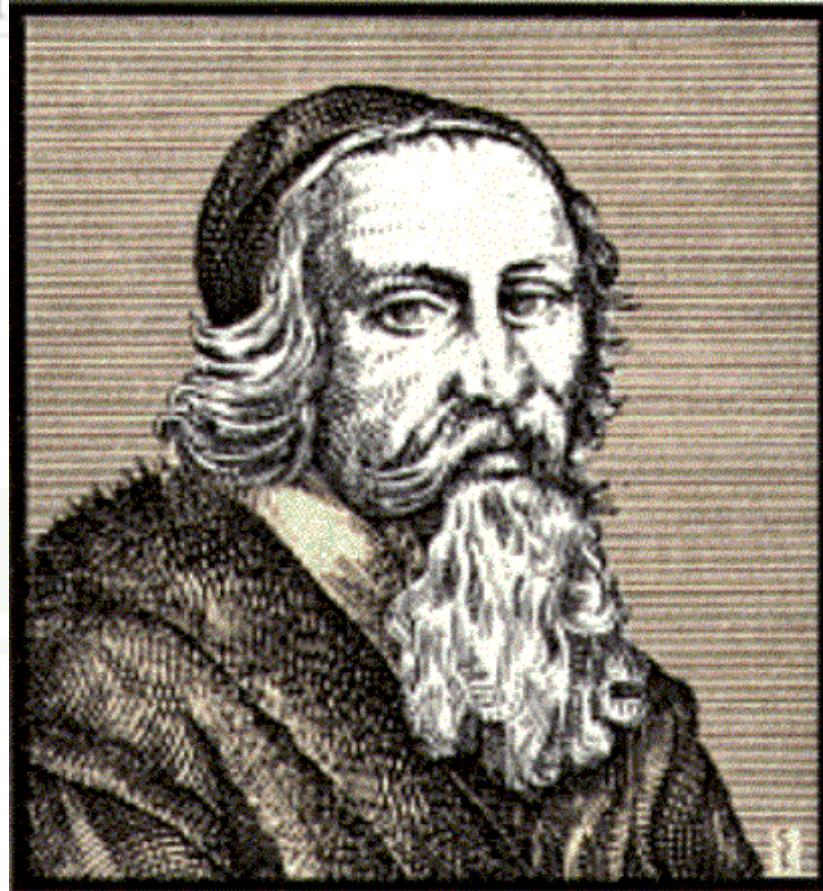
Small group class exchange of 10 to 19 pupils

- from 24 mobilities or more: max. EU flat-rate grant 25.000 Euro

Large group class exchange of 20 pupils or more

School Partnerships characteristics:

- **Duration: 2 year contract**
- **Grant calculation: Use of Lumpsums**
- **Selection by NAs: common EU checklist.**
- **Multilateral partnerships- quality assessment- NA of coordinator**



Thank you very much for your attention!

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