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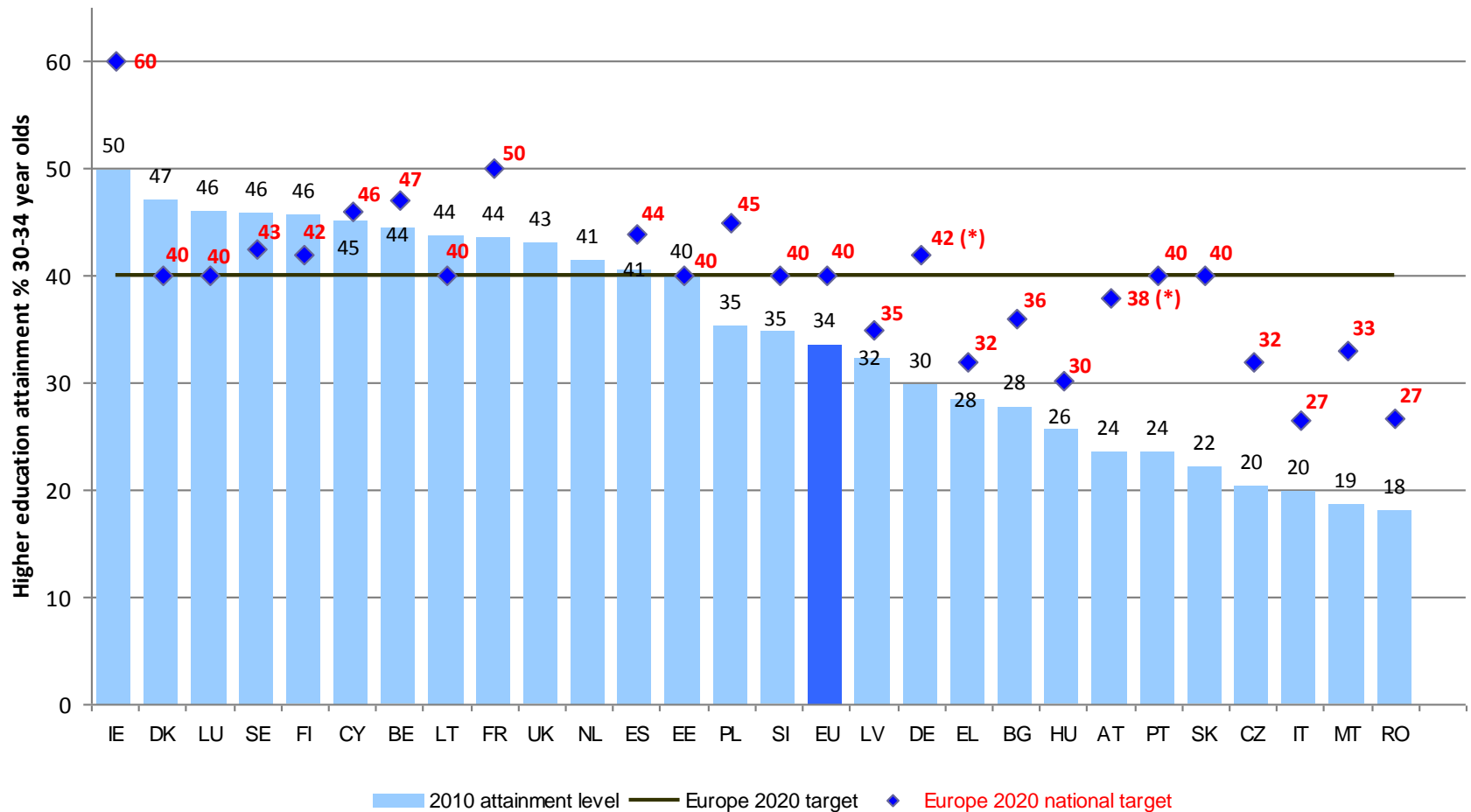
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Higher education in Europe 2020

For "Smart, sustainable and inclusive" growth, Europe needs:

- *(More)* **well-educated graduates** *with the right types of knowledge and skills*

- *To draw more effectively on the* **innovation potential** *of higher education institutions and their staff*

Europe 2020 response: 40% target

Chart: Higher education attainment % 30-34 year olds

Country	2010 attainment level	Europe 2020 national target
IE	50	60
DK	47	40
LU	46	40
SE	46	43
FI	46	42
CY	45	46
BE	44	47
LT	44	40
FR	44	50
UK	43	
NL	41	
ES	41	44
EE	40	40
PL	35	45
SI	35	40
EU	34	40
LV	32	35
DE	30	42 (*)
EL	28	32
BG	28	36
HU	26	30
AT	24	38 (*)
PT	24	40
SK	22	40
CZ	20	32
IT	20	27
MT	19	33
RO	18	27

Legend: 2010 attainment level — Europe 2020 target — Europe 2020 national target

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A. Increase attainment levels

- *Progression routes and recognition of prior learning and experience*

- *Outreach to under-represented groups, guidance and targeted financial support*

- *Reduce drop-out*

Example EU Actions:
- **Implementing EQF**
- **Social dimension of EHEA**
- **Analysis of drop-out**

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B. Improving quality and relevance

- *Graduate employability*
- *Tailoring learning modes to a diverse student body*
- *Exploiting potential of ICTs*
- *Motivating and rewarding excellent teachers*
- *Programmes informed by and adapted to labour market needs*

Example EU Actions:
- Research into graduate employability
- Excellence in teaching initiatives

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C. Mobility & international co-operation for quality

- *Learning mobility windows and moving between programmes*
- *Efficient recognition of studies abroad*
- *Improving access and employment conditions for non-EU students and researchers*

Example EU Actions:
- Erasmus Masters loan guarantee
- Strengthening ECTS

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D. Strengthening the "knowledge triangle"

- *Stimulating entrepreneurial, creative and innovation skills and learning environments*

- *Encouraging partnership and co-operation with business*

- *Involvement of HE institutions in regional development plans*

Example EU Actions:
- **Knowledge Alliances**
- **European Industrial PhD**

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E. Creating the right governance and funding conditions

- *Sufficient, efficient and well-targeted funding*
- *Empowering institutions to play to their strengths*
- *Effective governance and funding systems are a **pre-requisite** for success in the preceding areas*

Example EU Actions:
-U-multirank – more transparency
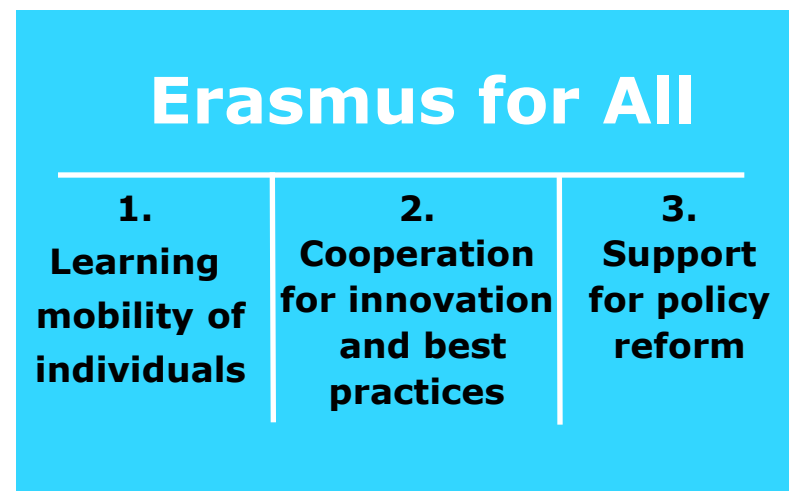-Analysis of impact of funding models

Erasmus for All: meeting new challenges

- ❑ **Europe 2020** – investing in education, knowledge and innovation for jobs and growth

- ❑ Need for more strategic approach to target our investment where we expect the **greatest impact**

- ❑ **Relevance:** link policy and programme – show systemic impact by putting our money at the service of our policies

- ❑ **Sustained impact** at different levels: individual, institutional, systemic/policy

- ❑ **Simplification**, rationalisation

Current Programmes

Lifelong Learning Programme

Grundtvig
Erasmus
Leonardo
Comenius

International higher Education programmes: Erasmus Mundus, Tempus, Alfa, Edulink, bilateral Programmes

Youth in **Action**

One integrated Programme

Erasmus for All

| 1. Learning mobility of individuals | 2. Cooperation for innovation and best practices | 3. Support for policy reform |

Specific Actions:

- **Jean Monnet**
- **Sport**

Total budget: € 19 billion over 7 years (+ 70%)

Education and Culture

**Learning mobility
of individuals**

➲Staff mobility, in particular
for teachers, trainers,
school leaders and
youth workers

➲Mobility for higher
education student,
vocational education
and training students

➲Master degree scheme

➲Volunteering and youth
exchanges

**What does it mean
for HE?**

1. <u>International opening of Erasmus:</u> more
mobility of students and staff between EU –
non EU in both directions

2. <u>Joint Master courses</u>
of high quality offered by consortium of
EU/non EU universities to attract the very
best students worldwide

3. <u>Student Loan guarantee</u>
to boost degree mobility within Europe

Cooperation for innovation and best practices

➲ Strategic partnerships between youth organisations and other relevant actors

➲ Large-scale partnerships between education and training establishments and business

➲ IT-Platforms

➲ Cooperation with third countries

What does it mean for HE?

1. Erasmus Strategic Partnerships: more intense cooperation between institutions.

2. Knowlegde Alliances: structured partnerships between HEI and businesses

3. Specific support with neighbourhood countries: More cooperation between universities for capacity building and more student and staff mobility.

4. Rest of the world: More cooperation between universities in the EU and rest of the world for capacity building.

Support for policy reform

➲ Open method of Coordination

➲ EU tools: valorisation and implementation

➲ Policy dialogue with stakeholders, third countries and international organisations

What does it mean for HE?

1. Support the OMC, Higher Education Modernisation Agenda, Bologna Process

2. Support development and implementation of EU transparancy tools and EU wide networks

3. Support Policy Dialogue with third countries

Education and Culture