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**International Credit Mobility –
Possibilities for Montenegrin
participation**

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INTERNATIONAL CREDIT MOBILITY

- Formerly established quality framework within Erasmus programme
- Expected number of mobilities for 6 years period for WB - 135,000
- Budget for WB – 22.7 mEuro - 3600 mobilities foreseen (96% for students 7% for teaching staff)
- Estimation based on costs for one semester study
- Activities conducted by national agencies in respective countries





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Students and staff mobility

- All levels of higher education (including also short cycle)
 - Open to all disciplines
 - 3 to 12 months of study
- Up to 12 months per study cycle
- Staff – from 5 days to 2 months



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What does a mobility project imply?

- Project application submitted by HEI from the programme country to the national agency of the respective country defining the types and number of mobilities



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Preconditions for mobility

- Erasmus charter
- Inter-institutional agreements – defining number of mobilities and conditions, signed before the mobility takes place
- Learning Agreement for students
- Mobility Agreement for teaching staff



Erasmus charter: quality framework for cooperation activities

- No discrimination of any kind
- Full recognition of mobility periods
- No charging of tuition fees
- Publishing of courses catalogues
- Students being well prepared for mobility (language, documents, logistics)
- Visa assistance, accommodation, insurance
- Guidelines for incoming mobility
- Equal treatment and services
- Integration into the local society
- Mentoring work
- Linguistic support

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

Inter-institutional¹ agreement 2014-20[21]²
between programme countries

[Minimum requirements]³

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 ⁴ (email, phone)	Website (eg. of the course catalogue)

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 Clauses may be added to this template agreement to better reflect the nature of the institutional partnership.
⁴ Contact details to reach the senior officer in charge of this agreement and of its possible updates.

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Learning agreement

- Signed by students, sending and receiving HEI
- Defining learning outcomes, recognition of mobility periods, rights and obligations of both parties



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Mobility agreement

- Signed by teaching staff or administrative staff from HEIs
- Rights and obligations of both parties



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between institutions from
programme and partner countries



Financing rules

Scholarships from students coming from partner countries:
850 EUR, 800 EUR, 750 EUR

Scholarships for students coming to partner countries:
650EUR

Group 1 Countries of high living expenses	DK, IE, FR, IT, AT, FI, SE, LI, NO
Group 2 Countries of medium living expenses	BE, CZ, DE, EL, ES, HR, CY, LU, NL, PO, SI, IS, TR
Group 1 Countries of low living expenses	BG, EE, LV, LT, HU, MT, PL, RO, SK, FYROM

Financing rules

Per diems for teaching staff employed at HEIs going to programme countries:

DK, IE, NL, SE, UK	160
BE, BG, CZ, EL, FR, IT, CY, LU, HU, AT, PL, RO, FI, IS, LI, NO, TR	140
DE, ES, LV, MT, PO, SK, FYROM	120
EE, HR, LT, SI	100
All partner countries	160

Financing rules

Travel expenses

Distance in km	Amount per participant
100-499	180
500-1999	275
2000-2999	360
3000-3999	820
≥8000	1100



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To be taken into account

- All HEIs from partner countries need to be officially accredited
- Average number of mobilities published at web page of NAs
- National agencies submit applications on behalf of consortiums



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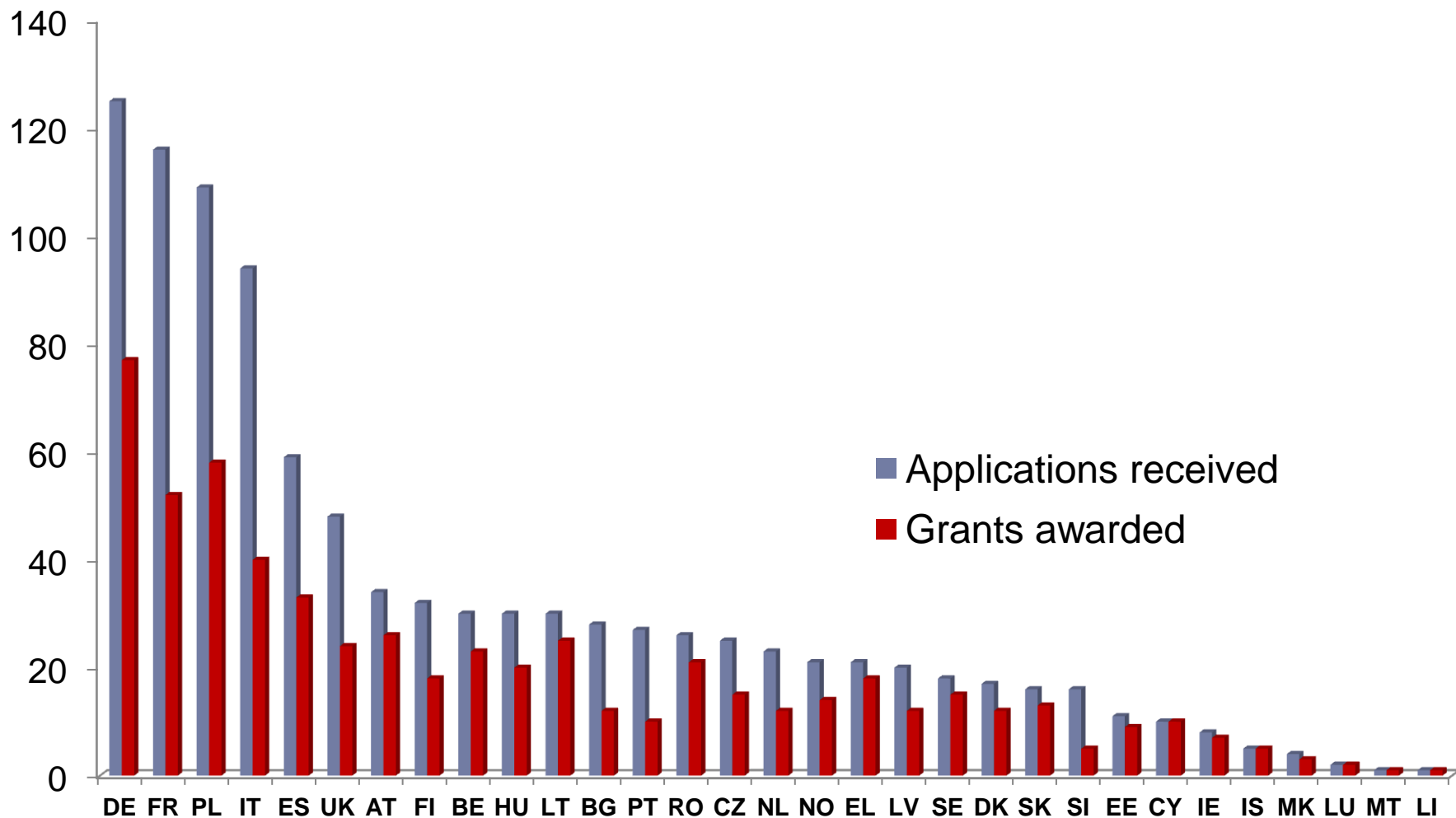
Results of the first call within International Credit Mobility



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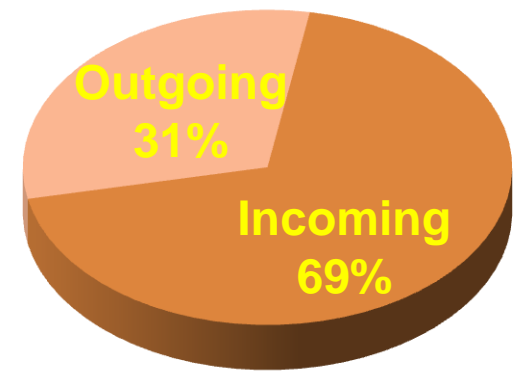
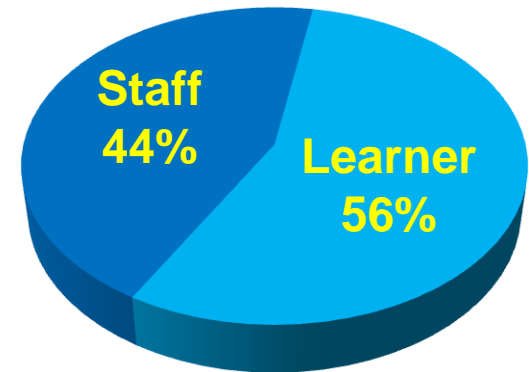
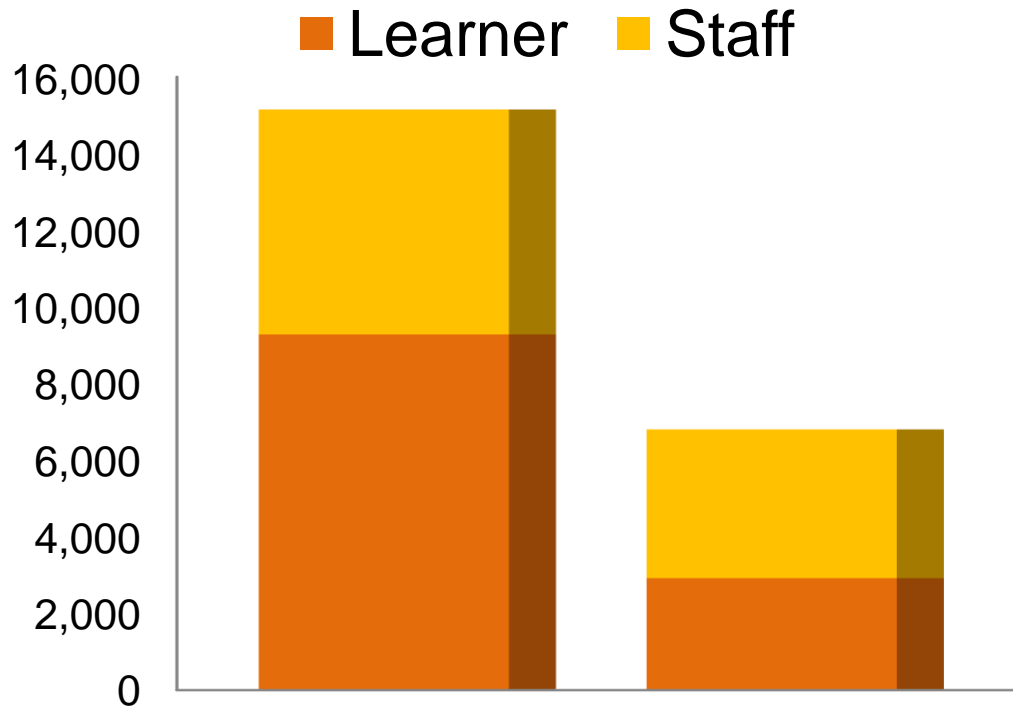
1 107 applications first round

593 contracts to HEIs





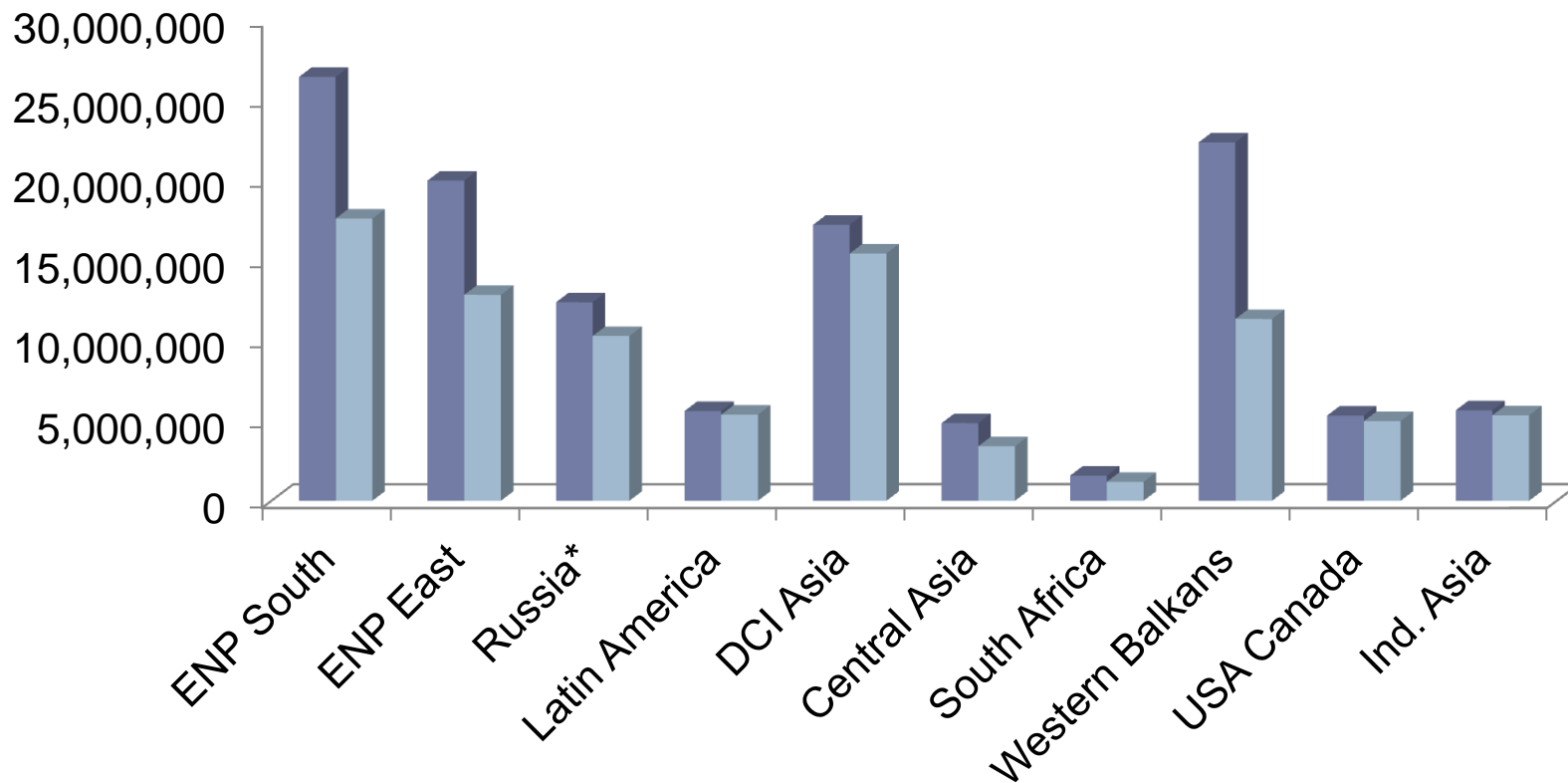
Over 21,000 students & staff
15,000 incoming to Europe





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■ 2015 Call Budget ■ Spent 1st Round





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✓ Austria	13
✓ Belgium (FI)	9
✓ Bulgaria	13
✓ Croatia	5
✓ Czech Republic	10
✓ Denmark	8
✓ Estonia	2
✓ Finland	8
✓ France	23
✓ Germany	57
✓ Hungary	19
✓ Ireland	7
✓ Latvia	12
✓ Malta	1
✓ FYROM	4
✓ Netherlands	7
✓ Norway	6
✓ Poland	21
✓ Portugal	6
✓ Romania	10
✓ Slovenia	9
✓ Spain	18
✓ UK	45

Deadline: 24 September
23 National Agencies
opened a second round
313 applications received



Key activity 1: Credit mobility

NAs with large budgets remained

Budget envelope	NAs with large underspend, most likely to organise a second round
ENI Southern Mediterranean countries	UK, PL, NL, IE, SK, AT, RO, BG, NO, SE, SI, FI, HR, CZ, LV
ENI Eastern partnership countries	UK, FR, NL, BE, SE, IE, DK, AT
IPA Western Balkan countries	FR, UK, ES, DE, BE, SE, PT, IE, DK, EE, FI
Central Asia	UK, NL, FR, DK, IE, BE, NO, AT
Russia	UK, RO, IE, DK



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Selection criteria

**Relevance –
link the project
to the
internationaliz
ation strategy**

**Quality of
cooperation – detail
your previous
experience with the
country strategy**

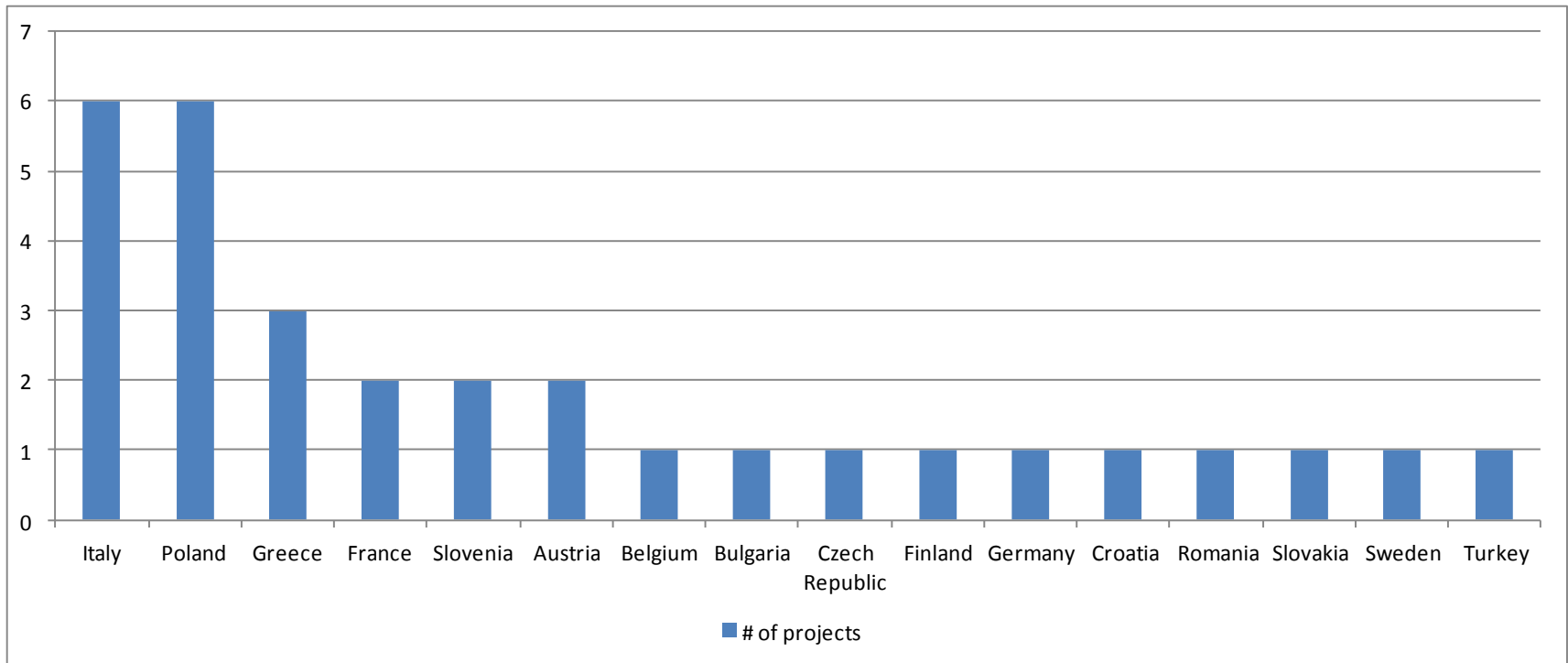
**Quality of
project
design and
implementat
ion –
present
different
phases of
the project**

**Expected impact
and dissemination
– desired impact on
participants,
beneficiaries,
partner
organizations a**



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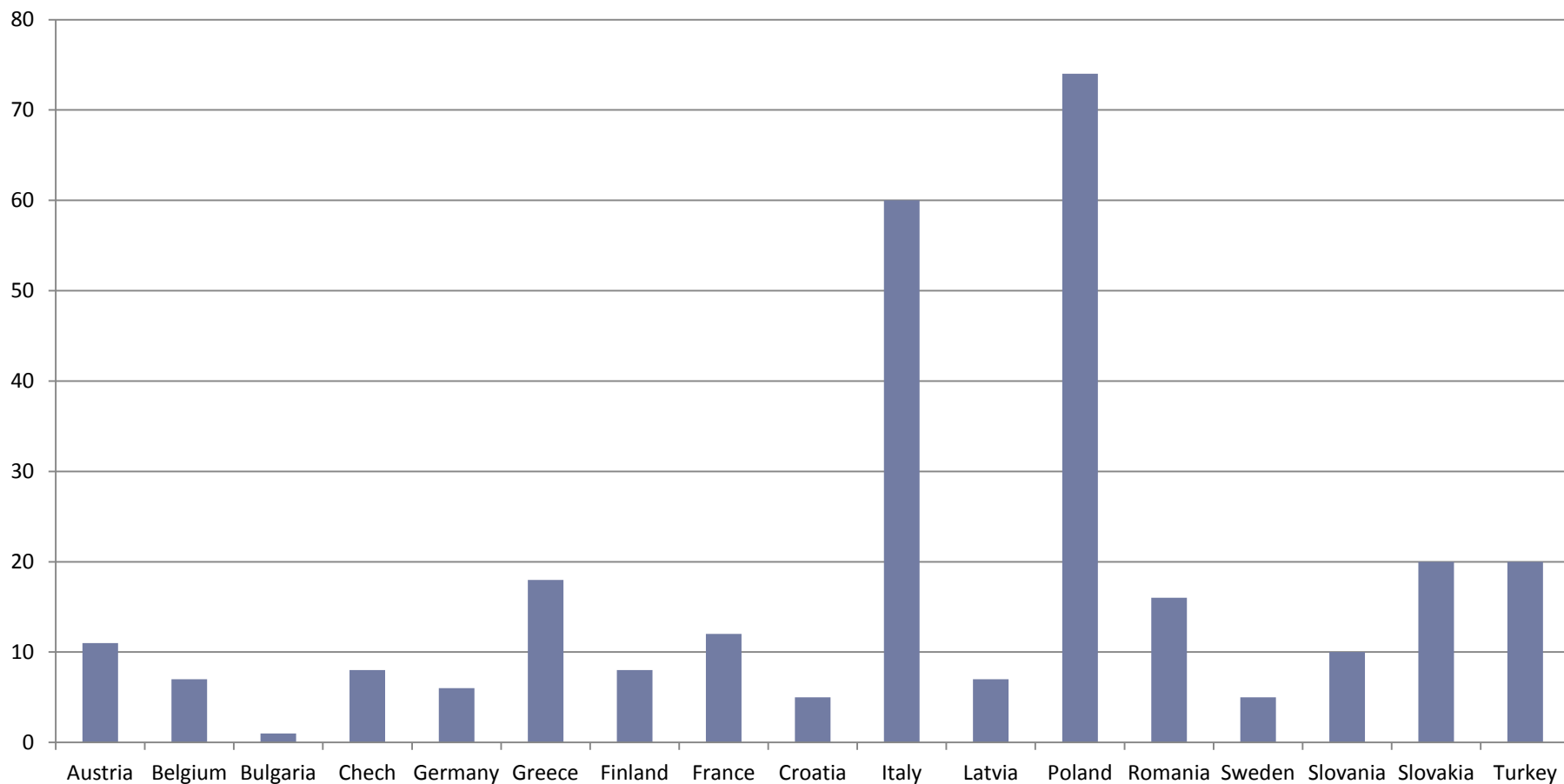
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Approved bilateral agreements with Montenegrin HEIs within the first call





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Approved mobilities within the first call

Mobility	Outgoing	Incoming	Total
Students	120	28	148
Staff	76	62	138
Total	196	90	286



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Advice to potential HEIs

- Link to institutional strategies for internationalization
 - Nomination of ECTS or Erasmus+ coordinators
 - Catalogues of courses in English
 - Redesign of faculty pages
 - Insisting on reciprocal exchange agreements
- Build partnerships on already existing collaboration



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Challenges/expectations

- More students` mobilities and mobilities of academic staff between EU and partner countries
- Reinforcement of mobilities for underrepresented university units
- Recognition once back to home universities
- Attract as many foreign students as possible
- Create study programmes in English
- Create network of coordinators per university units
- Participate in new partnership agreements with new HEIs



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Calendar of call

October 2015	Publication of the call
November – December	Information Days in Programme and Partner countries
2 February 2016	Deadline for submission
1st June 2016	Project start



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Useful links:

www.neomontenegro.ac.me

www.ec.europa.eu

- http://ec.europa.eu/education/opportunities/international-cooperation/documents/credit-mobility-guidance_en.pdf

National Agencies for Erasmus+ programme:

ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/tools/national-agencies