Erasmus+ outgoing participants during the COVID-19 pandemic

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Purpose of the survey

• Mapping the situation of currently outgoing participants of Erasmus+ in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic;
• Establishing how they are handling the situation, whether they have the necessary information at their disposal, and whether they have received appropriate support.

Survey dates: 8–17/4/2020
Number of answers retrieved: 1,624
Number of answers entered into analysis: 1,405
Response rate: 57 %
Main findings

- Almost 2/3 of the respondents have resumed their mobility online;
- When deciding on the further course of the mobility, participants decided mostly based on the advice of their friends and family, information from the sending institution, and media coverage;
- Roughly 1/5 of the respondents stated they did not have enough information from their receiving institution;
- Half of the respondents are planning to participate in some type of mobility abroad in the future.
Within which sector are you participating (or were supposed to participate) in the current mobility?

- School education: 88%
- Vocational education and training – pupil/student: 5%
- Vocational education and training – employee: 3%
- Higher education – student: 1%
- Higher education – employee: 1%
- Adult education: 2%
In what stage is currently your mobility abroad within the Erasmus+ programme?

- 38% I have participated in a part of the mobility & resume it from home
- 26% I am still on a mobility & resume it online from abroad
- 19% I have participated in a part of the mobility & terminated it
- 6% I have not participated in a mobility (so far)
- 4% I am still on a standard mobility abroad
- 4% I have participated in a part of the mobility & interrupted it
- 2% Other
Based on what did you decide whether to undertake the study stay as planned, or to choose a different option?

- I consulted my friends and family: 62%
- I received information from the sending school/institution: 60%
- I followed media coverage: 55%
- I talked about the situation with my friends/acquaintances in a similar situation: 46%
- I received information from the receiving school/institution: 44%
- I was recommended or instructed to terminate the stay: 43%
- I talked about the situation with people residing at the location of my study stay: 30%
- I followed the Ministry of Foreign Affairs website: 26%
- I was contacted by an employee of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or the embassy: 21%
- Other: 8%
If you could decide again on resuming your stay, would you act differently?

- Yes: 89%
- No: 11%
Is the information you have received sufficient?

Information from your sending school/institution:
- Definitely yes: 45%
- Rather yes: 42%
- Rather no: 10%

Information from your receiving school/institution:
- Definitely yes: 36%
- Rather yes: 42%
- Rather no: 17%
- Definitely no: 5%
Do you plan to undertake a similar mobility in the future?

- Yes, I plan to undertake a similar mobility: 40%
- Yes, but within a different sector (target group): 4%
- Yes, but under a different programme than Erasmus+: 6%
- Do not know yet: 38%
- No: 11%
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