

## **ERASMUS POLICY STAMENT**

Our EPS, as established in the application for the Erasmus Charter 2021-2027 Ref.Ares(2021)1528174 – 27/02/2021

Internationalization, in its broadest sense, is a key aspect for UPV. Our institution has participated in European Mobility and Research programmes since its early stages.

UPV aims at being in the top level of European Institutions. We work hard to favour the development of a deep international component in our institutional culture, both in teaching and research as much as in linguistic and cultural aspects, going beyond traditional mobility of students and staff.

Our goal is to further develop and spread this policy across all levels of our university community and to project it onto the social and corporate environment of our Region. This should revert in greater visibility and competitiveness for our institution in Europe and in the world.

In a broad sense, we expect our Institution to benefit from a pan-European international culture: an international mindset in research, conferences, publications, classes, industrial partners, administrative staff, academics and students.

Our successful participation in the Erasmus program so far is closely connected with the implementation of the EHEA. International networks, mobility and partnerships have made an important contribution in curricular design and in the implementation of competence-based teaching and learning approaches.

Further work needs to be done in the introduction of a European component across curricula and course content. We need to find out new ways to modernize and adapt teaching content and learning outcomes to align them more closely with the needs of society and industrial partners, while at the same time meeting the strict requirements imposed by, quality assurance agencies and professional bodies. We need to improve even more in language learning possibilities, tuition in English, the quality and relevance of our portfolio of partners and in international interaction with industry.

Participating in the next Erasmus project will allow us to explore this path in cooperation with our partners.

Participation in Erasmus+ is an essential instrument in achieving the aforementioned objective, since it represents a great opportunity both for the development and consolidation of the results obtained, and for expansion to new geographical areas and institutional collaborations.

This is a priority for UPV collaboration model, based on commitment and consolidated work through institutional alliances, and founded on Erasmus values. We seek to attract and enhance the talent of students and teachers by creating an international knowledge network.

UPV participation in Erasmus+ focuses on achieving four objectives that will provide results in the short and medium term:

- -Strengthening and developing academic and research relationships with institutions of strategic interest to our schools and teachers that will allow the UPV to move forward and achieve institutional excellence.
- -The implementation of innovative academic projects and schemes in cooperation with EU and non-EU partners, which shall have a direct impact on society at local, regional, national and international level.
- -Sustainability of existing academic and institutional relationships with high potential results
- -Reinforcing the intercultural and international perspective as a hallmark of life on campus



