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Questions during this online session

• You are muted, but questions are more than welcome! Please ask them through the chat and we will get back to you during the presentation.

• Please let us know if you are experiencing any technical difficulties and we’ll see what we can do.

• These slides will become available on our website www.ru.nl/io later this week.
Corona and going abroad

• Currently, going abroad is not really possible, but we remain hopeful for the academic year 2021/22. (no guarantees)

• Currently policy based on:
  - travel advices based on colour codes (green/yellow/orange/red) from the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
  - whether or not the partner university or institution and the host country are able to physically welcome you;
  - discussions with other universities in the Netherlands.

• Check our [website](#) for possibilities and exceptions to the Radboud University policy
Why go abroad on an exchange?
Academic and professional skills

EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

ERASMUS STUDENTS

MORE THAN 85% of Erasmus students study or train abroad to enhance their employability abroad

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Young people who study or train abroad are half as likely to face long-term unemployment 5 years after graduation the unemployment rate of Erasmus students is 23% LOWER
Why go abroad on an exchange?

Academic and professional skills

**Employment and Career Development**

- 92% of employers are looking for transversal skills such as curiosity, problem-solving skills, tolerance and confidence when recruiting.

**Employers**

- 64% of employers think international experience is important for recruitment (37% in 2006).

- 64% of employers say graduates with an international background are given greater professional responsibility.

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*Image: OH! SO YOU DON'T WANT TO STUDY ABROAD? SO, TELL ME HOW YOU'RE GOING TO COMPETE IN A GLOBAL MARKET.*

Radboud University
Why go abroad on an exchange?
Social and cultural experience

Erasmus+ opens up your mind

97% say they get along better with people from other cultures
EUROPEAN VOLUNTARY SERVICE

93% say they appreciate the value of other cultures more
HIGHER EDUCATION

80% say they improved their intercultural awareness
ADULT EDUCATION

33% of Erasmus+ alumni have a life partner with a different nationality
HIGHER EDUCATION

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Why go abroad on an exchange?

Personal development

Feedback from Radboud students who went abroad on an Erasmus+ exchange in 2018 and 2019

- Become more confident and convinced of own abilities 90%
- Have more insight in strengths and weaknesses 86%
- Become more able to adapt to and act in new situations 91%
- Find solutions in challenging contexts (problem-solving skills) 80%
- Become more open-minded and curious about new challenges 85%
- Plan and carry out your learning independently 82%

A recent studies on living abroad published by Harvard Business Review states that Living Abroad Helps You Develop a Clearer Sense of Self
What can I do?

**Study exchange**
- One semester up to one academic year (min. 3 months)
- Only to partner universities
- Talk to your faculty’s International Office for more information!

**Traineeship**
- Min 2 months but up to 12 months!
- Minimum of 35 hours a week
- Can be at partner university, but also at research centre, labs etc.
- Can be part of your degree
- Also available after graduation – if you apply before you graduate.

Erasmus+ Funding: maximum of 12 months funding per study cycle.
Where can I go?
Destinations in Europe

Check out our [website](#) for an overview of our international partners
How can I get started?

• Make an appointment with your faculty’s International Office for possibilities (where/when), available places, and deadlines (usually 1 March)

• Submit an application for a ‘stay abroad’ in Osiris

• Selection results by mid-March 2021

• Applying at the partner university: check their deadlines and application procedure carefully
How do I apply for my Erasmus+ grant?

• If your application in Osiris has been approved by your faculty, you will receive an email (after 1 April 2021) inviting you to start your grant application

• Then: fill out the online application form and submit the required documents ultimately **2 weeks** before the start of your study/traineeship abroad

• Advance payment of 75% of your grant

• Upon your return: receive the final 25% after submission of the final required documents
What will I get? Erasmus+ grant rates

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* The United Kingdom will remain part of the Erasmus+ project for the duration of the current project, which includes at least the first semester of academic year 2021/22 – but probably the entire year.
Practicalities

• Whom to contact for what?

  - Questions about possible destinations and your Osiris application: your faculty’s International Office

  - Questions about your grant application: central International Office ([erasmus@io.ru.nl](mailto:erasmus@io.ru.nl))

• Online Language Assessment
Thank you for your attention!

Any questions for us?