

Student and staff exchange between Russia and Indonesia made possible after securing Erasmus+ funding

[Alianza 4 Universidades](#) (A4U) has been successful in gaining Erasmus+ funding, securing 36.560,00€ in the latest round of funding award. A4U is a consortium of 4 Spanish public universities: Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona.

This funding will enable [student and staff exchange](#) between universities members of A4U and 7 Indonesian partner universities. As a result of the exchange, students will return with improved language and inter-cultural skills, increased confidence, and gain international experience that counts towards their qualification. Staff will get to know first-hand the workings of a different educational system, learn and share new ideas and explore best practices to take back home. They will also be able to benefit from research and teaching development opportunities, and receive training.

Bachelor and PhD students as well as teaching and administrative staff from all subject areas from Indonesian partner universities and A4U universities can apply. Erasmus+ funding covers travel and living expenses from 3 to 5 months for students, and for 7 days for staff. The time spent abroad is recognised by the sending university, and the obtained credits count towards the student's academic record. Staff deliver 8 hours of teaching or receive training during their stay.

16 mobiltiies of staff and students have already been carried out between A4U and its partner universities in Indonesia since the beginning of the programme in 2017, and 22 more are expected to take place over the next two years.

Indonesian partner universities include: Universitas Indonesia, Institute of Technology of Bandung, Universitas Gadjah Mada, Universitas Airlangga, BINUS University, Telkom University, and Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta.

It is expected that as a result of this exchange programme, universities members of A4U and Indonesian partners will:

- Help students and staff boost their professional, social and intercultural skills, as well as employability;
- Forge cooperation in teaching and research;
- Attract talent and increase the number of international students and staff, which contributes to their diversity and internationalisation.

Check Erasmus+ stories of A4U exchange participants on <http://alliance4universities.eu/en/erasmus-stories/>

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Notes to editors:

1. About Alianza 4 Universidades:

[Alianza 4 Universities](http://alliance4universities.eu/en/mobility-scholarships/) (A4U) is a strategic association of four Spanish public universities: Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid and Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona. A4U has obtained funding for Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility programme since 2015. A4U runs Erasmus+ exchanges with leading universities in Russia, South Africa, Iran, India, Indonesia, and Malaysia. For more information visit <http://alliance4universities.eu/en/mobility-scholarships/> and <http://alliance4universities.eu/en/erasmus-grants-for-non-european-mobility/>

2. About Erasmus:

Erasmus+ is the European Union programme for more than 4 million young people to study, gain work experience or volunteer abroad. Erasmus+ is designed to modernise education, training, youth work and sport across Europe, through strategic partnerships and through opportunities for staff and professionals to train or exchange experience. The current programme runs from 2014-2020 with a budget of €14.7 billion across Europe. The programme is managed in Spain by the Spanish National Agency www.sepie.es