

*TCA- Erasmus aiming Higher: Mediterranean bridges across Africa
and Europe for shared academic pathways*

The International Dimension of Erasmus+:

Students' Perspectives on Cross-Regional Mobility



What is ESN?

ESN is the biggest European-wide student network, which aims to support and develop mobility programmes. Its mission is to enrich society through international students.

In January 1989, 32 students met in Ghent and coined one of the most important sentences in ESN history, marking the beginning of the Erasmus Student Network.



Our Network in Numbers

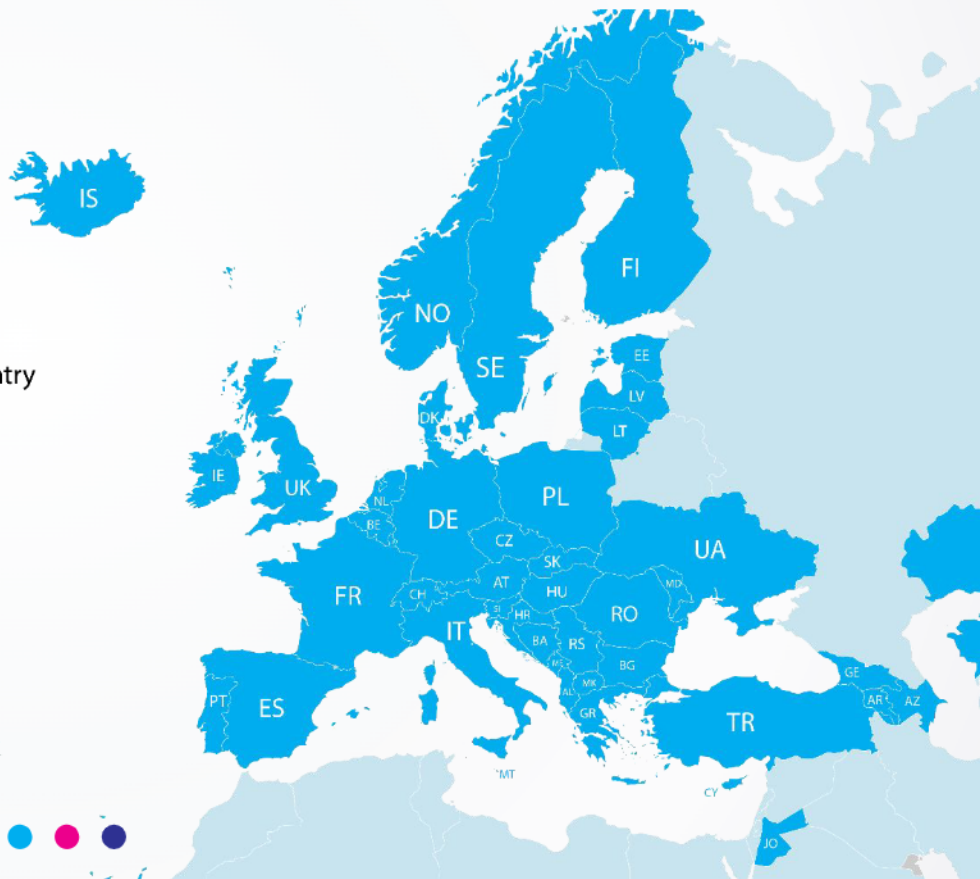
15,000+
volunteers

1000+
HEIs

40+
countries

350,000+
Students

-  ESN member
as of GA Dubrovnik 2025
-  Candidate country
as of GA Dubrovnik 2025



ESN vision

"By 2031, the Erasmus Student Network will be the leading organisation supporting international mobility, providing space for competence development and student engagement to 3 million members of the Erasmus Generation, empowering them to become change-makers in society."



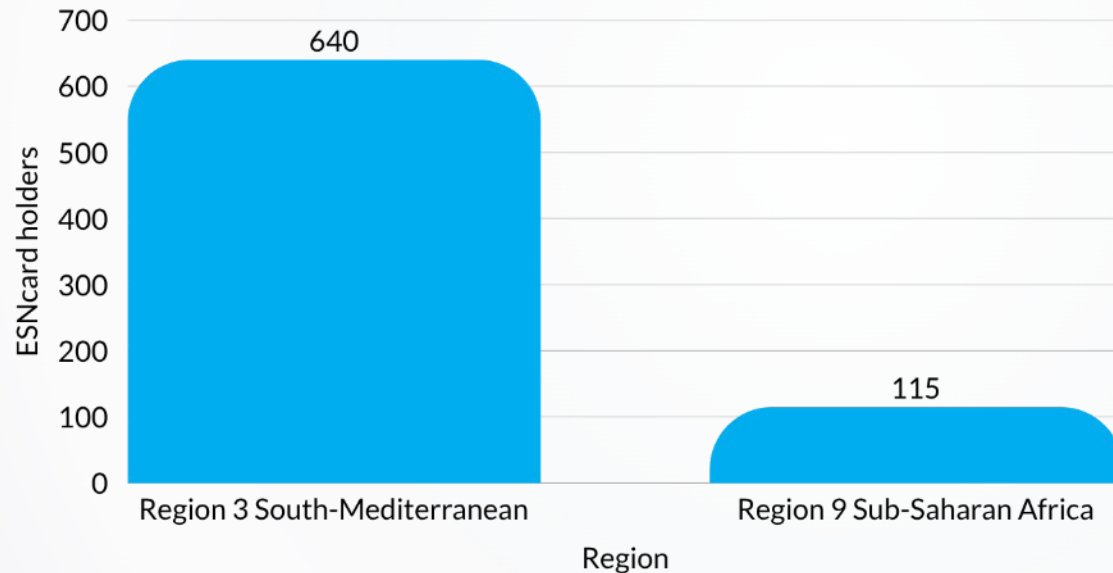


ESN outreach

in Southern Mediterranean & Sub-saharan Africa



Where are students coming from

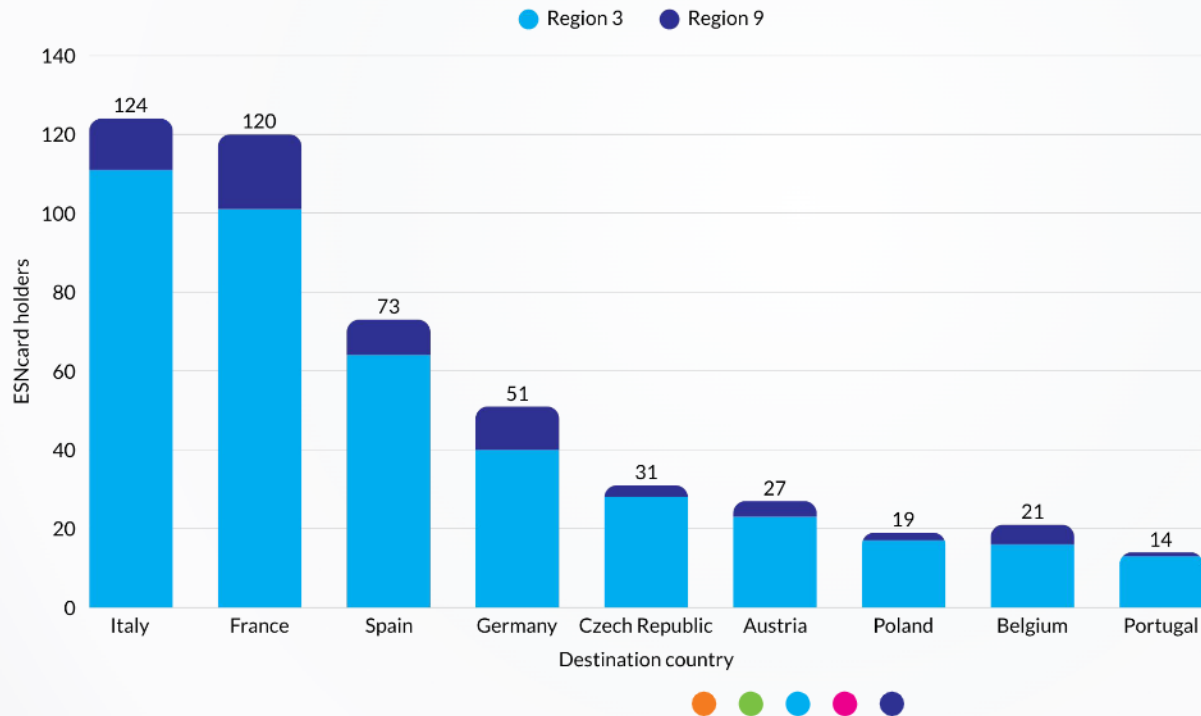


Top 5 countries

1. Morocco
2. Jordan
3. Tunisia
4. Algeria
5. Egypt

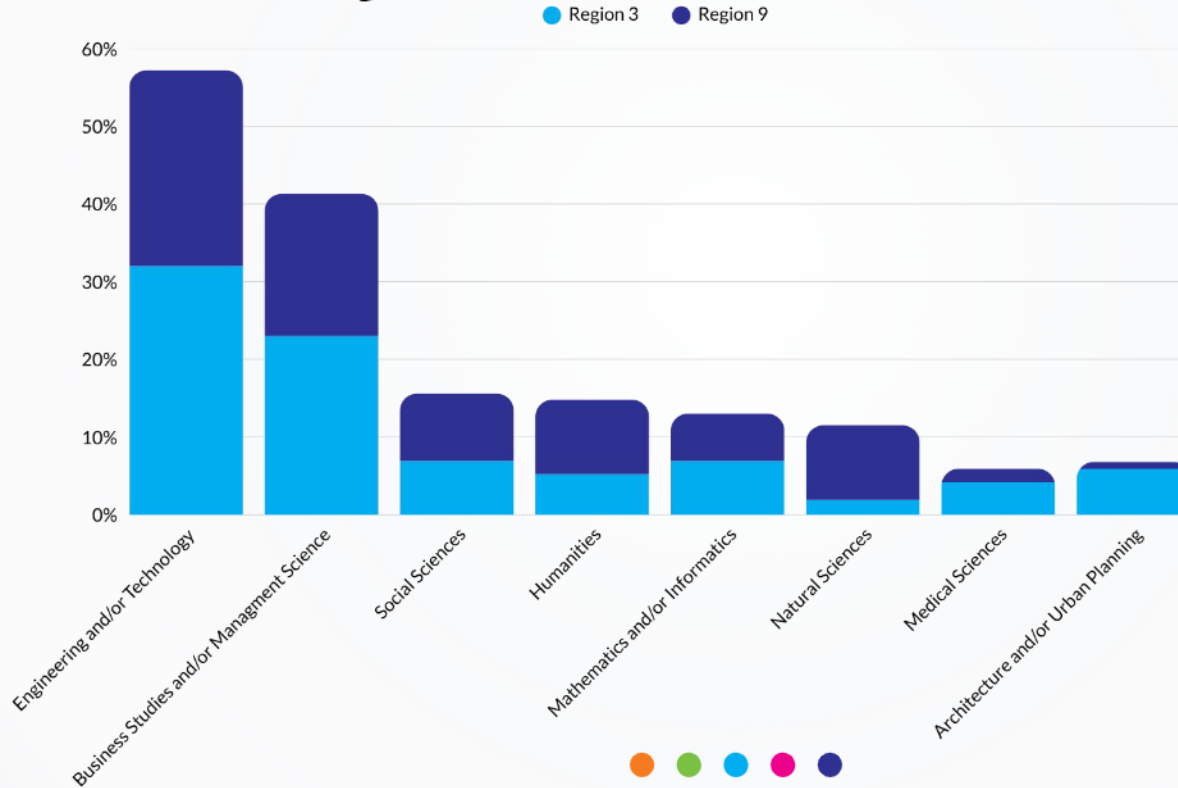


Where students go on mobility



Italy, France,
Spain emerge as
the common
receiving hubs
for both regions.

Fields of Study



Engineering and Business together represent over **half** of all students in both regions.

The ESNsurvey



ESNsurvey XV

Making Quality Mobility a Reality for All

- A total of **23,000** of answers;
- Survey conducted in **2023**;
- Target audiences: international students who participated in Erasmus+ or any other type of exchange.



The value for:

Universities: Insights into outgoing/incoming student experiences → improve services.

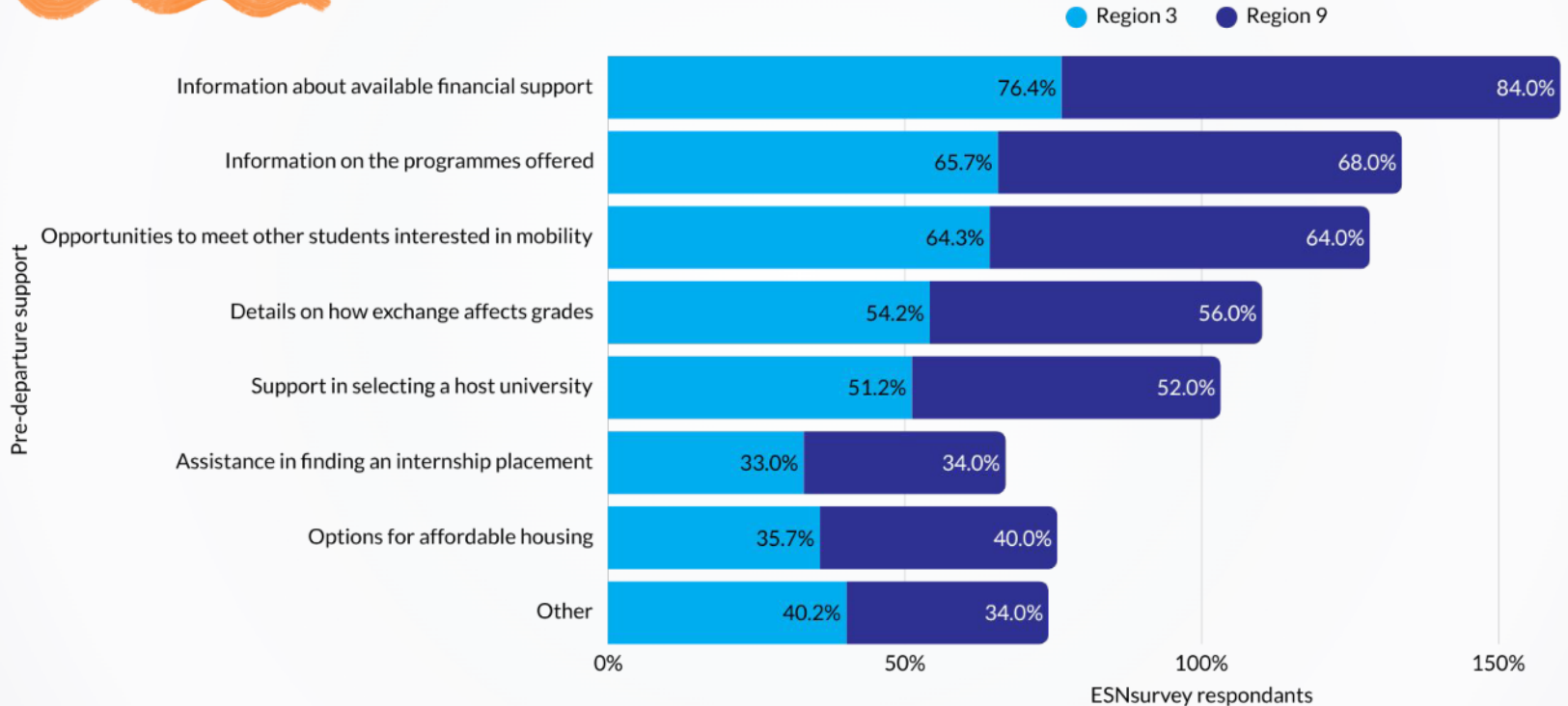
National agencies: Evidence-based recommendations and comparisons.

Student unions: Support for advocacy and programme improvement.

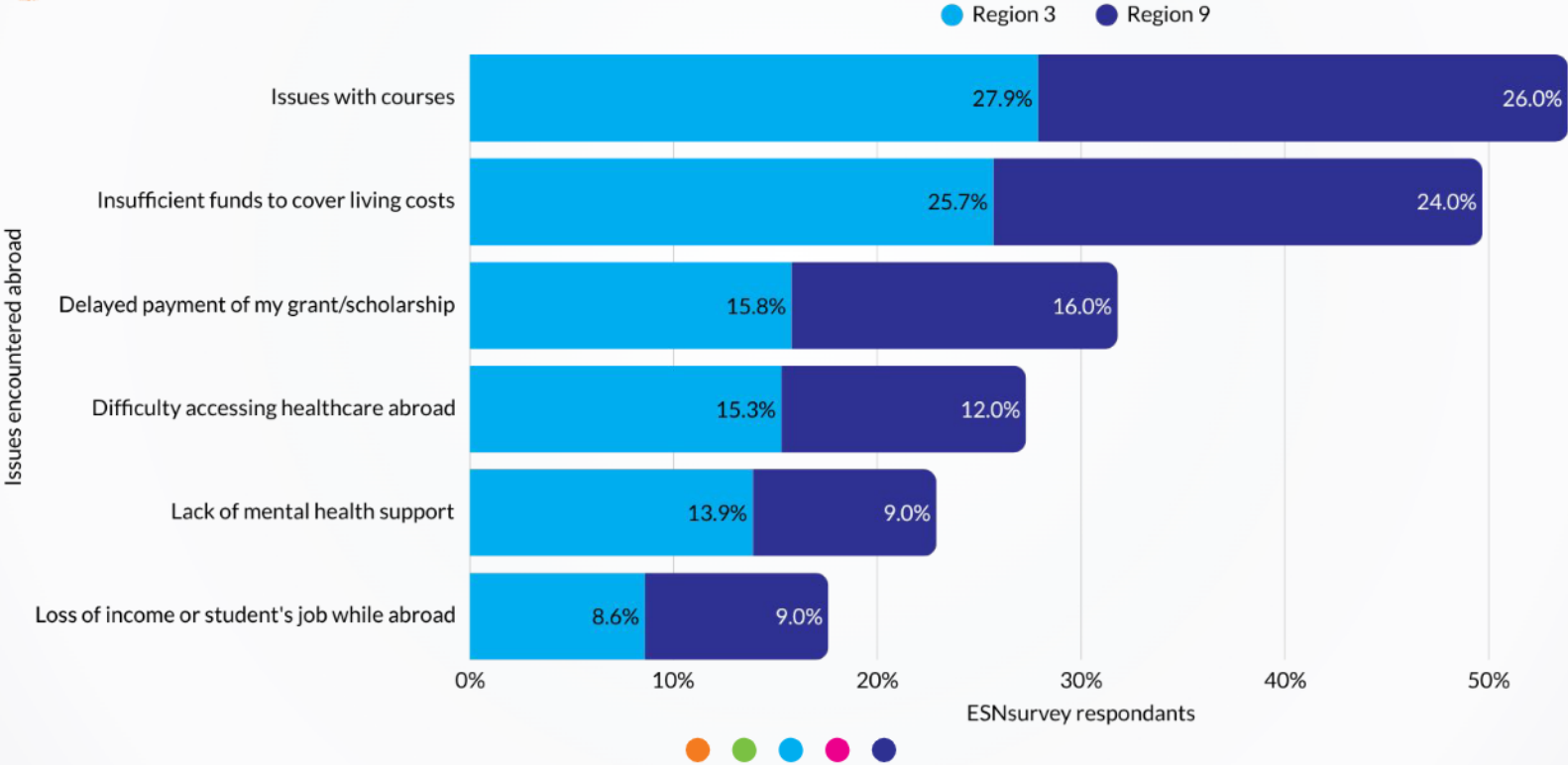
All partners: A tool to demonstrate commitment to student-centred internationalisation.



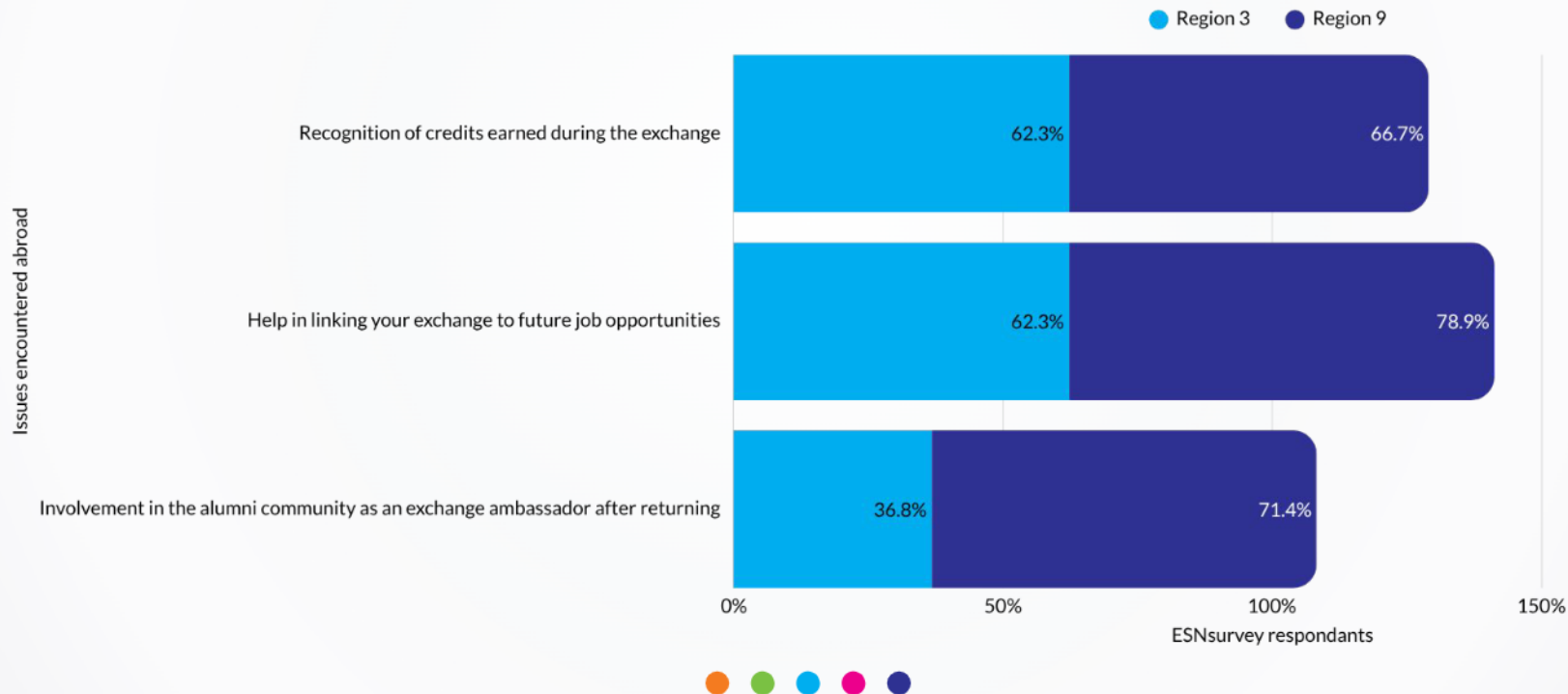
Pre-Departure Support: What Students Found Important



Issues Faced During Study Abroad



Post-Exchange Satisfaction with Sending University Support



ESN Activities



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Buddy System

Become a Buddy for an international student
or be helped by a local student!

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Buddy System

International Students Welcome Week

17-25 September 2022



Welcome students during integration days

YOUR ERASMUS ADVENTURE
**BEGINS WITH
THIS GUIDE**



Guide Erasmus+ participants



**Connecting international students
with local communities**



I want to go to

I want to go on



BECOME A SUSTAINABLE ERASMUS+ TRAVEL STORYTELLER!



Informing about mobility opportunities



Informing about mobility destinations



ERASMUSINTERN.org

Where trainees and traineeships meet



Integration through Sports



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My journey is a product of collaboration

Born in Ghana →
Global academic journey



EARLY EDUCATION



EARLY LEADERSHIP



President, Computing Students Association
President, Entrepreneurship Club

FIRST INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- African German Entrepreneurship Academy
- Students from Africa & Europe



KEY REALISATION

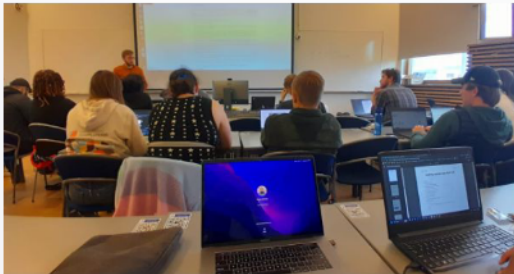
Exception



Norm



STUDYING IN EUROPE



University of Iceland - Discovery of



Erasmus+



SYSTEM GAP

Barriers still exist:

- Funding
- Complexity
- Unequal access
- Awareness gaps



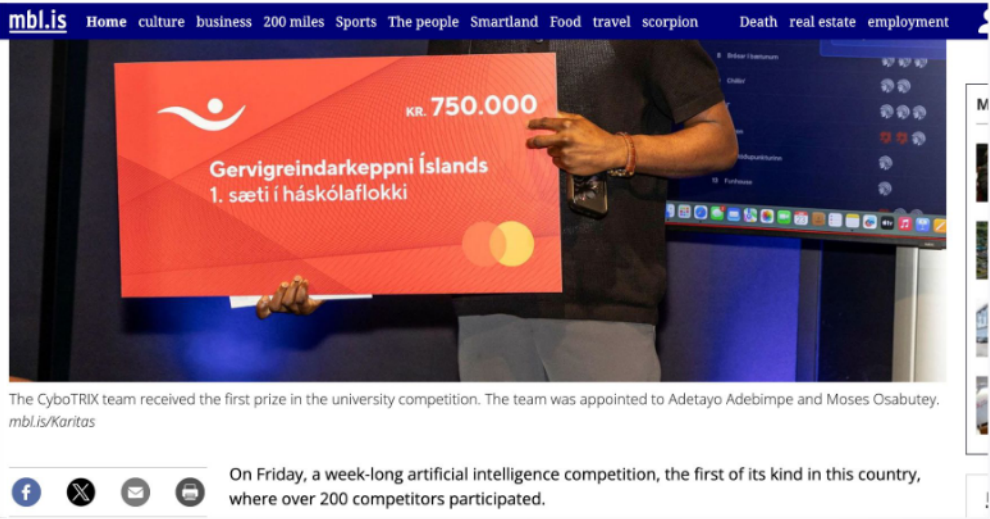
ESN EXPERIENCE



INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENT



Entrepreneurship & competition



[mbl.is](#) Home culture business 200 miles Sports The people Smartland Food travel scorpion Death real estate employment

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Gervigreindarkeppni Íslands
1. sæti í háskólaflokki

Mastercard

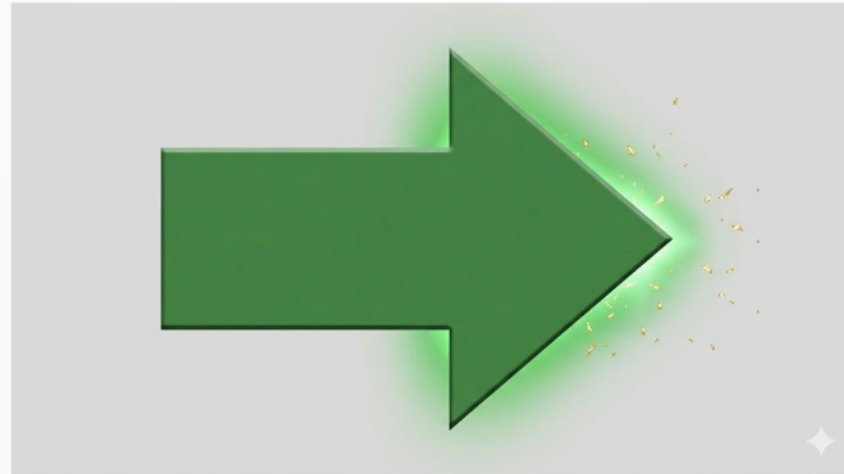
The CyboTRIX team received the first prize in the university competition. The team was appointed to Adetayo Adebimpe and Moses Osabutey. [mbl.is/Karitas](#)

On Friday, a week-long artificial intelligence competition, the first of its kind in this country, where over 200 competitors participated.



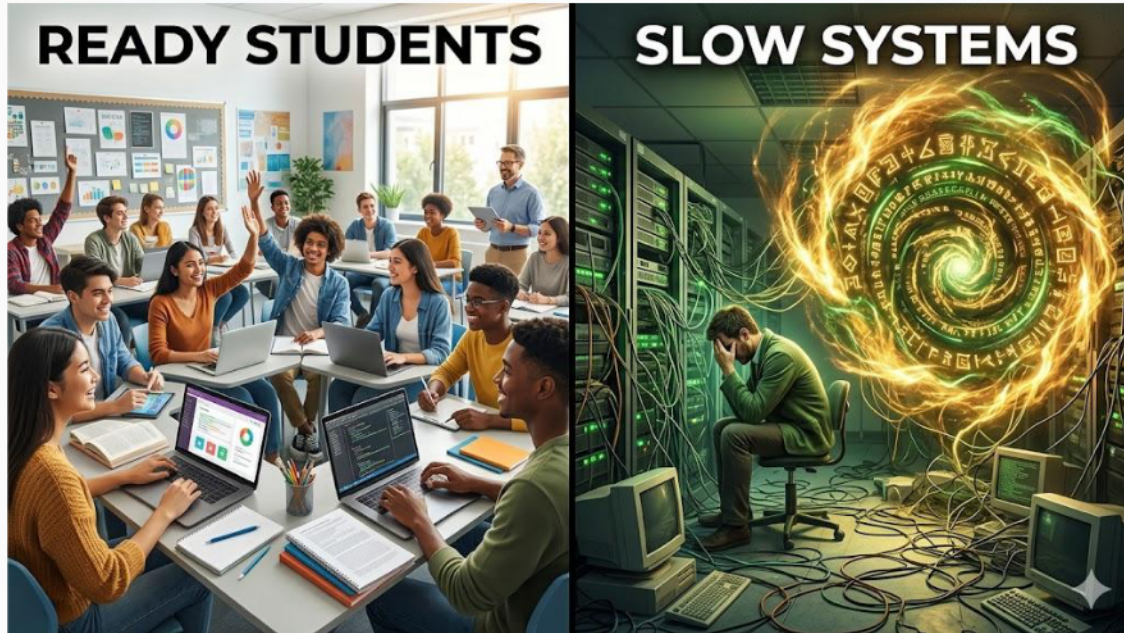
Mobility is transformation

Not just movement But opportunity



The challenge

Students are ready Systems are not fully inclusive



Erasmus+ & INDIRE initiative

Building Africa-Europe bridges

AGENZIA NAZIONALE
ERASMUS+ **INDIRE**



The bridge must be two-way

Shared ownership of mobility



My story should not be rare

It should be normal



Reframing Erasmus+

Not just movement But
transformation of systems



We are ready

- We are not just asking to be included in mobility
- We are ready to co-create it





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