

**Question for written answer E-006136/2017**  
**to the Commission**  
Rule 130  
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Subject: Erasmus+: funding youth exchanges in Europe

One of the objectives of the Erasmus+ programme is to give young people a better understanding of what European values mean in practice. Since it was first introduced over 30 years ago, more than three million students have benefited from the scheme. Funding has also been granted to support school partnerships.

1. What percentage of European students and pupils currently receive an Erasmus grant, and will the planned budget be enough to meet this demand?
2. What is the Commission doing actively to promote exchange programmes in schools and among teachers?
3. Does the Commission support the idea of a fundamental 'right to a student exchange' as the basis for continuing to fund exchanges between secondary schools?