

**Question for written answer E-004663/2021  
to the Commission**  
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Subject: Erasmus+ programme

The Erasmus programme is one of the EU's success stories. Since its launch in 1987, around 4.4 million young people have had the opportunity to benefit from an intercultural stay abroad. Participants have the chance to enjoy formative experiences in terms of both mobility and understanding.

With the Erasmus+ programme, which is set to run from 2021 to 2027, the EU has taken the next step and made European cooperation accessible to new sections of the population. Various types of stay abroad and cross-border cooperation have been significantly simplified as a result.

1. How does the Commission plan to promote exchanges between graduates of the Erasmus programme and students who are considering an Erasmus semester?
2. Does the Commission have any plans to set up a forum to bring together students who are considering an Erasmus semester with students who have had the experience and can therefore explain the educational and cultural benefits of studying abroad?
3. Is the Commission looking into the possibility of a virtual 'study abroad' fair where all European universities could present their study programmes and the cultural advantages of their country in order to attract foreign students?