4EU+ Student Mini-Grants: Webinar
6 February 2024
• 17:00-17:20  Introduction to 4EU+ and Student Mini-Grants (4EU+ Local Office, Student Committee representative)
• 17:20-17:30  Zahra Kahrizi - 2nd 4EU+ Tomorrow’s Research and Science Innovation in Students' Start-ups (4EU+ Transition)
• 17:30-17:40  Lukáš Nowak - Optics students cooperation across 4EU+ universities
• 17:40-17:50  4EU+ Local Office answers questions from the registration forms
• 17:50-18:30  Q&A
1 VISION to build
ONE comprehensive research-intensive European University

8 PARTNERS

EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY ALLIANCE
4EU+ Alliance

- **Strategic partnership** (*2018*) of eight universities
- Long-term **process**, not just a project
- Sharing **best practices**, innovation
- **Integration** in all areas: education, science, administration
- **Connecting** students, academic and administrative staff, infrastructure, data…
HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITY
PARIS-PANTHÉON-ASSAS
UNIVERSITY OF MILAN
Our vision is to create One Comprehensive Research European University, contributing to the building up of the European Education and Research Areas by 2025 and beyond.

Our mission is to continuously deepen cooperation in education, research and innovation, and service to society within the Alliance.

4EU+ VALUES

- Academic & Research Freedom
- Democratization of Education
- Students at the Centre
- Interdisciplinary Approach
- Research Excellence
- Creativity & Openness
- Integrity
- Internationalization
4EU+ Flagships

1. Urban Health and Demographic Change
2. Europeanness: multilingualism, pluralities, citizenship
3. Digitisation, Modelling, Transformation
4. Environmental transitions

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Mission statement: Transversal skills/competencies

- Multilingualism
- Data literacy
- Entrepreneurship
- Critical thinking
- Social engagement
4EU+ Student Portal

sp.4euplus.eu
4EU+ Student Committee

Kamila Dzuriková
Representative of MA students, SEC member
Kamila is currently studying sociology and social policy at the Faculty of Social Science of Charles University, where she actively participates in various student organizations and groups. Recognizing the immense potential of 4EU+, she is determined to contribute to the development of the alliance and actively engage students in its initiatives.

Pavel Linzer
Representative of MA students
Pavel is a student at the Faculty of Law of Charles University. He is the Vice-chair of the Faculty Academic Senate and the Chair of the Study Commission of the Academic Senate of Charles University. Pavel is an enthusiast of European cooperation and sees 4EU+ as an ideal platform for increasing international mobility and providing unique opportunities and experiences for students from strong European universities.

Kateřina Grygarová
Representative of PhD students
Kateřina has recently completed her general medicine programme and is now pursuing a PhD in embryology. Throughout her time at the university, she has been actively involved in the political and student representative scene. Currently, she holds the position of President at the Centre of Student Associations, students and graduates of Charles University.

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Students in 4EU+

- Participating in and developing joint activities in Flagships
- On-site and virtual mobility
- Representation at international events, conferences
- Student Committee
- Representatives in Academic Council
- 4EU+ Student Ambassadors
- 4EU+ student community
BUILDING THE 4EU+ COMMUNITY
2024 call

• Key thematic areas: artificial intelligence and sustainability
• Each project must involve at least three 4EU+ member universities, with a student from Charles University as the applicant
• Supported activities must be in line with the 4EU+ Mission statement
• The maximum funding amount available for a project is CZK 150,000 (approximately EUR 6,100)
• The deadline for submitting proposals is 29 February 2024
Do not forget

The letter of acknowledgement can take the form of a confirming email.


Inform your faculty

Plan your project activities and related budget.

Eligible expenses: mobility (travel, accommodation), organization of events, staff costs (needs to be justified), other (materials etc.)

Non-eligible expenses: travel costs of external partners, investments, tangible and intangible assets (such purchase must be pre-approved)

Plan the budget

Project period: April – November 2024
How to find partners?

• Join the Facebook group “4EU+ student minigrants community”: https://www.facebook.com/groups/407731740990493

• Share your draft project idea with the Student Committee representatives, Student Ambassadors and the 4EU+ Local Office asking to disseminate it at other 4EU+ universities
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Answers to your questions from the registration forms
Questions for our former participants

- How big was the impact of the project?
  - What were the core values your team reflected?
  - What have you gained through the process?
    - How was the money utilized?
  - What were the most difficult challenges, you had to tackle?
- Looking at your activities with such a retrospection, what would you have done differently?
- How to apply for a grant? Some recommendations what is necessary to add into the form.
  - How were you able to find colleagues from other 4EU+ universities?
Can I apply to the mini grant if I’m a PhD student of Charles University but I’m not an employee?

You can apply if you are a PhD student, there are no restrictions on the level of the studies.

Do we need to submit research proposal for it?

The project may focus on educational activities without a research part. However, each student wishing to participate must submit an application containing the annotation, expected results, the objective of the project etc.
Application

- Application procedure, workshop durations, nature of collaboration

The application must be submitted electronically using the form available on the European Centre website of the Science and Research Department of the UK Rector's Office by 29 February 2024. The Rector, on the proposal of the 4EU+ Council, will decide on the award of support. Following the Rector's decision, a tripartite agreement will be concluded between the UK, the applicant (hereinafter also referred to as the 'Principal Investigator') and the relevant faculty.

The workshop duration is flexible.

Nature of collaboration: The primary purpose of the student project is a scientific or scientific-educational activity, or an activity leading to the strengthening of the so-called "third role", in a transnational student research team and the promotion of cooperation between 4EU+ students.
2023 projects

What type of activities were supported in the past?

- TRANSLOCAL. Us by/for/as the eyes of foreigners
- How to be a young journalist of the future who finds their way in the job market?
- Collaborative research on a newly appeared glacial lake in the Alps
- Optics students cooperation across 4EU+ universities
- 2nd 4EU+ Tomorrow’s Research and Science Innovation in Students’ Start-ups (4EU+ Transition)
- Summer School of Practical Ophthalmology
- Role of Culture in Times of War and Post-war Reconstruction. The Case of Ukraine
- Resilience of calcareous plankton to rising pCO2 and temperatures
- Practical AI for Academia Workshops
- The European perspective of identity changes on the old continent in the 21st century and their impact in Latin America
- Samuel Beckett in Central Europe - Stagings and reception beyond censorship
- Migration within the EU Context seen through a Multi-disciplinary and Plurilingual view
2023 projects

You can find reports about some of the projects on the 4EU+ website.
What kind of tangible results are teams expected to produce if they are selected for the student mini-grants?

The primary objective of the student project is a scientific or scientific-educational activity, or an activity leading to the strengthening of the so-called "third role", in a transnational student research team.

The output of the project can be, for example, a conference, workshop, seminar, round table, publication, community event and similar activities.
What shall be the reported results of the cooperation?
The reported results of the cooperation are part of the final report, which must include:

a) Identification of the project (project number, title, name of principal investigator, affiliation),
b) a list of partners involved,
c) project contribution, list and evaluation of outputs,
d) a description of the ongoing project design, including identification of follow-up external support,
e) a list of names of the participants involved, including their affiliation and whether they are academic/researcher or student.
f) a summary of the actual use of funds with justification (roster).
How can I team up with students from partner universities?

We have a Facebook group where you can contact some of the students from 4EU+ partner universities. You can also contact us, the 4EU+ Local Office, or the 4EU+ Student Ambassadors or Student Committee; we will help you disseminate your project draft idea at the partner universities.

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Addresses to send your project proposal: 4euplus@cuni.cz; 4euplusstudents@cuni.cz
How many of the 4EU+ Universities have to be included initially?
When you apply, you need to have a minimum of 2 partners indicated in the project proposal (CU as the main applicant + another partner from another 4EU+ university). In this case, integration of the third partner must be accomplished during the project phase.

The other members of the partner universities have to be senior researchers or can be other PhD students?
The other members of the partner universities can be PhD students, but not senior researchers, since it is a student collaboration. However, they can engage in the project.

The project can be a workshop aiming graduates and undergraduates or the final audience is specific?
The final audience is not specific, it can definitely be aimed at both undergraduates and graduates.
What is the approximate funding allocation - stipend to the participants, travel costs between the Universities, workshop organization, etc.?

The approximate funding allocation varies from project to project, however the maximum amount that can be applied for is 150 000 CZK.

Are the grants paid in advance?

That's entirely a faculty matter. Some faculties will give you an advance payment for e.g. travel or some bigger expenses, depending on how you agree.
Thank you for your attention!
4EU+ team (4euplus@cuni.cz)