

# Jean Monnet actions in 2021-2027



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# Jean Monnet actions in 1989-2021

- ❑ Thematic-based: EU integration studies
- ❑ Objective: to promote excellence in teaching and research on the European integration process throughout the world and across all disciplines
- ❑ Milestones:
  - 1989: Jean Monnet activities aiming to introduce European integration studies in the European universities following the fall of the Berlin Wall
  - 2001: Jean Monnet activities extended to the rest of the World
  - 2014-2020: the activities are integrated into the Erasmus+ Programme
  - 2021: continuity of Jean Monnet activities under the new Erasmus+

# Jean Monnet worldwide network

Over 90  
countries

1,700 +  
professors  
each year

1,000 +  
universities  
offering Jean  
Monnet courses  
as part of their  
curricula

265,000 +  
students  
each year

5,850 projects  
funded in  
1989-2020  
in European  
integration  
studies



# Jean Monnet action types in 2014-2020

Promote policy debate and exchanges  
between academics and policy-makers



**Projects and Networks**

Promote Teaching &  
research  
on European integration



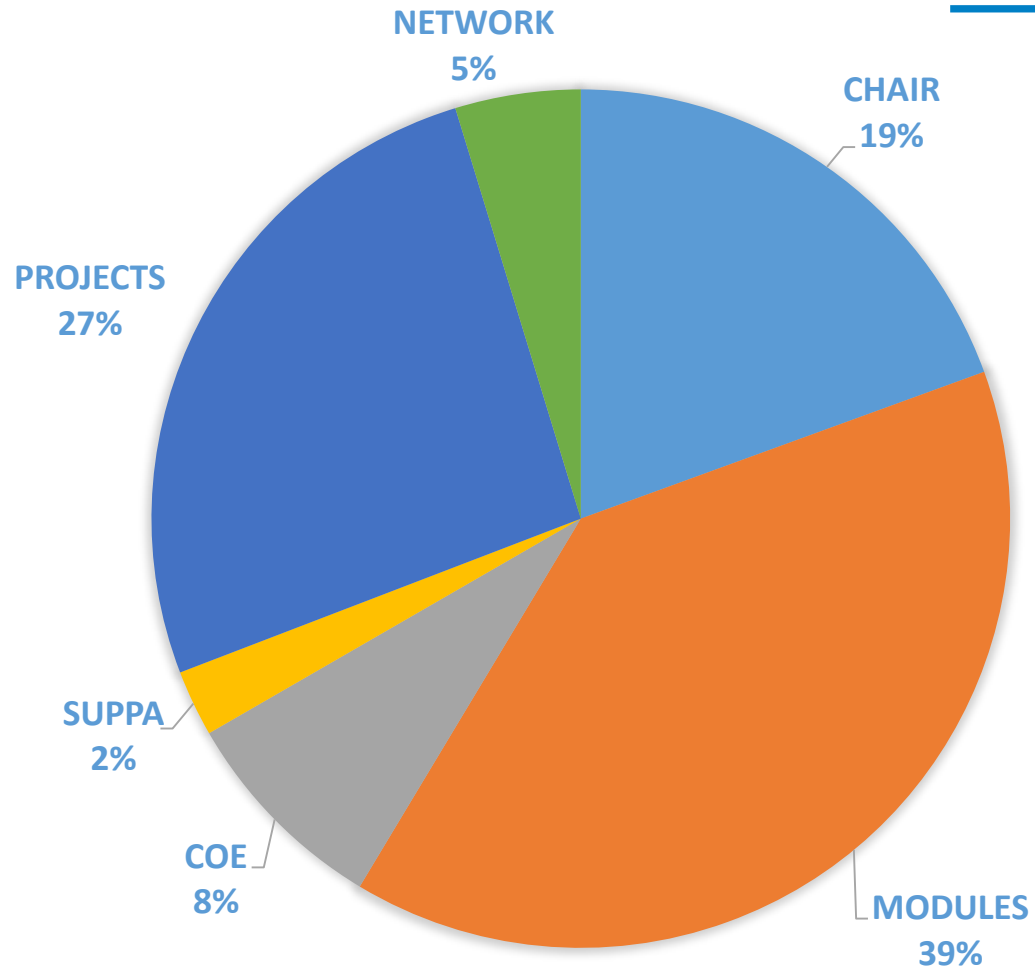
**Modules, Chairs,  
Centres of Excellence**



Support to  
Associations active in  
EU integration studies



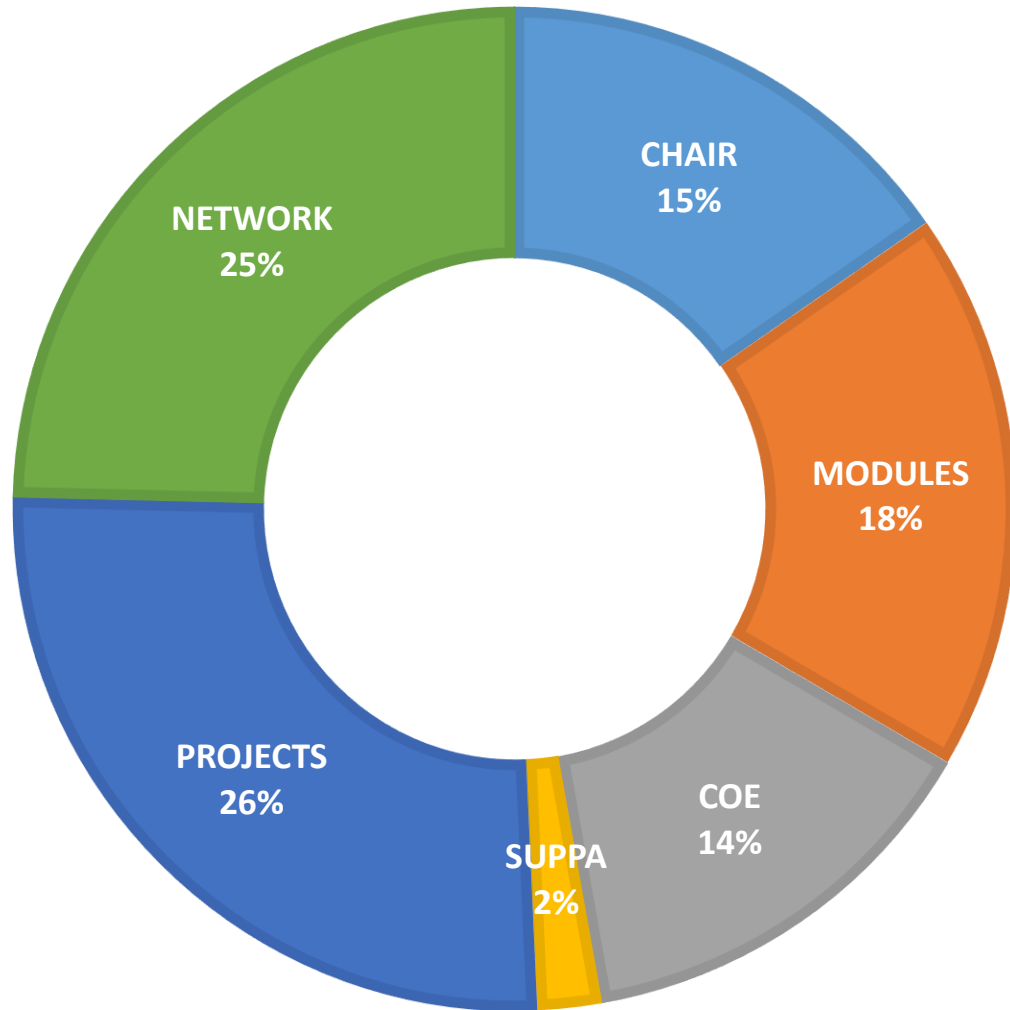
**Associations**



JM 2020

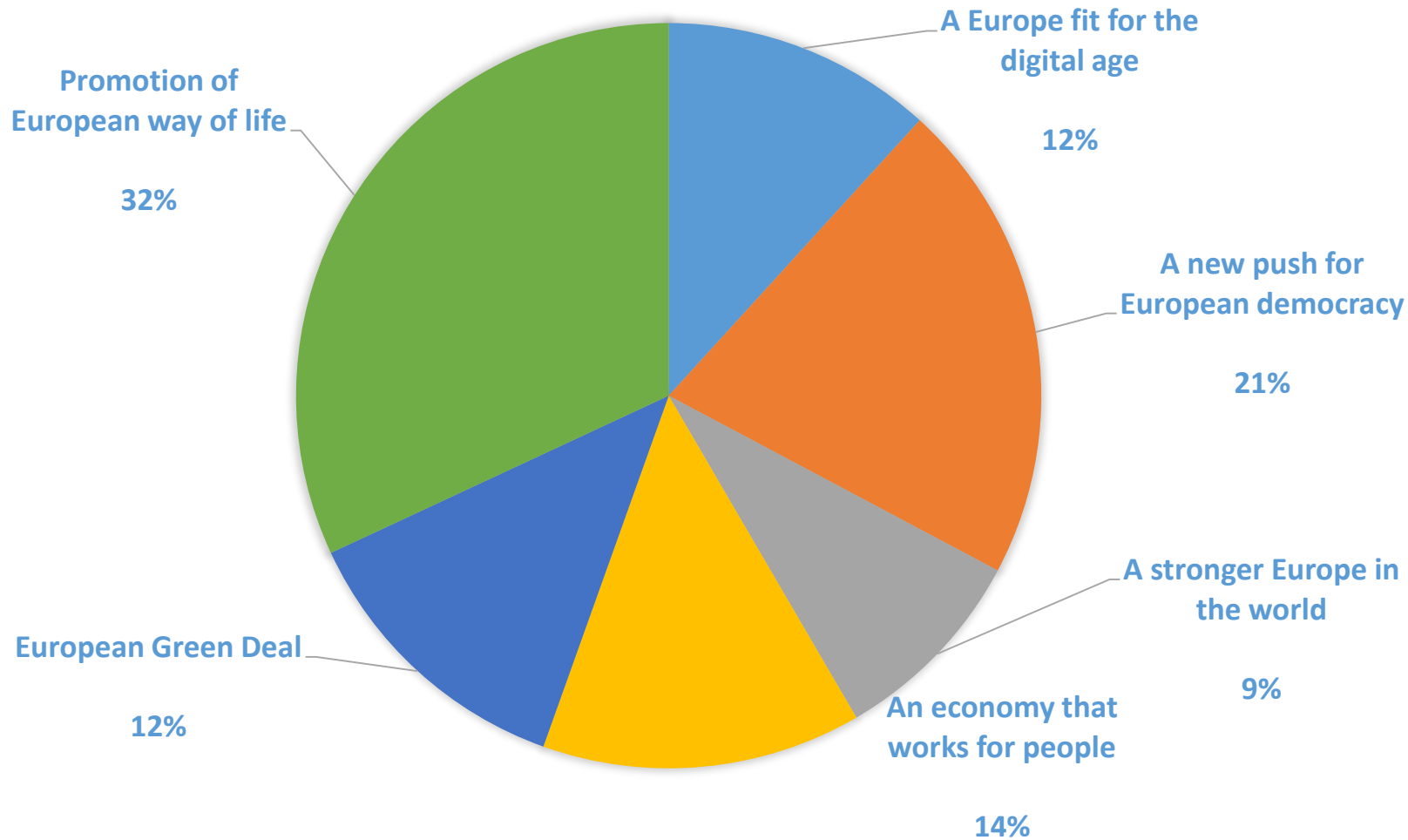
362 proposals  
selected

€ 20.6 million



JM 2020

Budget  
allocation  
per action  
type



# JM 2020

## Commission Priorities 2019-24

# Jean Monnet actions - Defining the scope of EU studies

“The study of Europe in its entirety, with a particular emphasis on the EU dimension”



Enhancing awareness of the European Union:

- **European citizenship** and values
- Role of the **EU in a globalised world**
- Facilitating future engagement and **people-to-people dialogue**
- Vector of **public diplomacy** in the world, promoting EU values and enhancing the visibility of the European Union
- Scope of EU studies may vary as long as **EU angle is explored**



# Jean Monnet in HEI - Objectives

Promote excellence in teaching and research on European integration worldwide

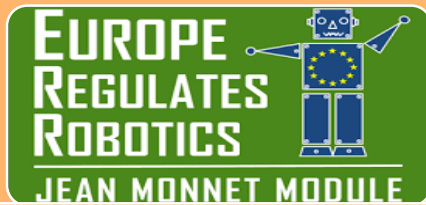
Reach out to a wider public, bringing EU knowledge closer to society

Promote policy debate and exchange between the academic world and policy-makers

Equip students, young professionals with knowledge of European Union subjects

Public diplomacy towards partner countries, promoting EU values

# Jean Monnet actions for Teaching and Research in HEI



**MODULES:** Short teaching programmes in EU studies taught at a HEI. May be multidisciplinary and involve input from several professors and experts. Minimum: 40 teaching hours.



**CHAIRS:** Teaching posts with a specialisation in European Union studies for university professors. Minimum: 90 teaching hours taught by a Chair holder. Held by one professor ONLY, but with a possible team to enhance the activities.



**CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE:** focal points of competence and knowledge on European Union subjects. They should seek to:

- \* gather high-level experts, aiming to develop synergies between disciplines in EU studies, and develop joint transnational activities
- \* widen outreach: to students from other faculties, policy makers, civil servants, etc

## General Objectives - Erasmus+ 2021-2027

*Support, through lifelong learning, the educational, professional and personal development of people in education, training, youth and sport, in Europe and beyond, thereby contributing to sustainable growth, quality jobs and social cohesion, to driving innovation, and to strengthening European identity and active citizenship.*

Erasmus will also be a key instrument in

- ❑ Building a **European Education Area**, including an **enabling framework for cooperation with Member States and engagement with stakeholders**
- ❑ Supporting the implementation of the **Digital Education Action Plan** and the **European Skills Agenda**
- ❑ Advancing youth policy cooperation under the **Union Youth Strategy 2019-2027**
- ❑ Developing the **European dimension in sport**

# Key priorities of the new Erasmus+ Programme



## *Evolution not revolution*

*...while making the programme...*

- more inclusive and accessible
- more digital
- greener

*... and also...*

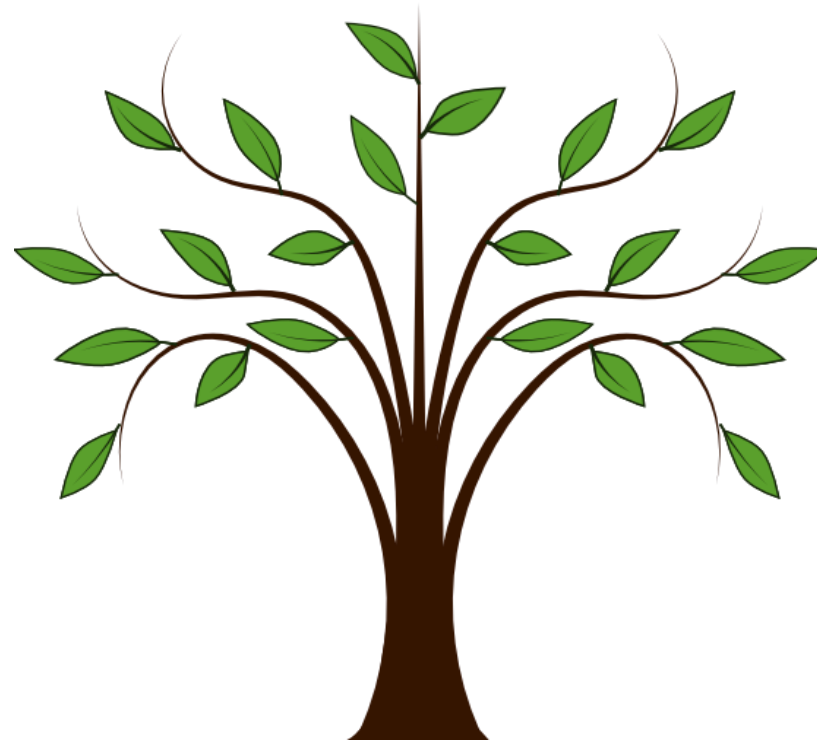
- broader and forward-looking
- more participatory and focussed on developing EU awareness
- more international
- in synergy with other EU instruments
- simpler

# Jean Monnet actions in 2021-2027

## Higher Education Institutions

- Modules
- Chairs
- Centres of Excellence
- Networks for HEI
- Projects

Any HEI in the World



## Other fields of Education and Training

- Teacher training
- Networks for schools and VET providers
- EU Learning Initiatives
- Projects (?)

Erasmus+ Programme  
Countries ONLY



## Top success story: **ITALY**



In the Jean Monnet actions 2014 – 2020,  
**857** proposals have been submitted  
and in total **251** were selected:

Module: 113

Chair: 49

C o E : 18

Project: 61

Network: 6

SUPPA: 4



- More information on Erasmus+ Programme:  
[http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/index_en.htm)
- More information on Jean Monnet Activities:  
[http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/jean-monnet\\_en](http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/actions/jean-monnet_en)

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**Thank you for your attention !**