

„Gheorghe Asachi” Technical University of Iași Erasmus+ Policy Statement

The increasingly dynamic, global and competitive international context in which higher education operates requires continuous adaptability, openness and collaboration. Guided by its **Internationalisation Strategy**, TUIASI aims to strengthen its position as a competitive European technical university and a global hub for education, research and innovation.

Our institutional mission focuses on providing high-quality education, fostering innovative research and cultivating international collaborations that enable students and staff to thrive in a globally interconnected society. The Erasmus+ Programme supports these objectives by promoting mobility, enhancing the academic offer and expanding strategic partnerships worldwide.

Strategic Objectives and Main Actions

To achieve these goals, TUIASI will implement the following actions:

1. Enhancing teaching, learning and curriculum internationalisation

- Improving curricula, course modules and teaching materials through international cooperation and benchmarking with partner universities.
- Developing interdisciplinary, intercultural and globally oriented curricula, aligned with TUIASI's commitment to open knowledge and student-centred education.
- Increasing the number of study programmes taught in foreign languages and expanding joint/double degree programmes.

2. Promoting student mobility and practical international experience

- Supporting outgoing and incoming student mobility for study and traineeships, aiming to strengthen transversal competences, creativity, employability and global citizenship.
- Offering students opportunities to prepare bachelor's, master's and doctoral research or thesis work in international academic or industry environments.
- Encouraging participation in Blended Intensive Programmes (BIPs) and cross-border cooperation initiatives.

3. Supporting staff mobility, professional development and international visibility

- Stimulating the participation of academic and administrative staff in training and teaching mobilities, contributing to skill development, knowledge transfer and greater international exposure of TUIASI's expertise.
- Facilitating staff involvement in international projects, conferences, workshops and global research networks.

4. Strengthening partnerships and international networks

- Expanding inter-institutional agreements on the basis of prior successful collaboration and strategic alignment.
- Leveraging participation in the **European University Alliance INGENIUM**, international networks and global partnerships with universities, research centres and industry actors.
- Encouraging involvement in initiatives promoting sustainable development, innovation, entrepreneurship and technology transfer.

5. Improving support services for internationalisation

- Enhancing digital presence and communication through updated English-language websites and dedicated international promotion platforms (e.g., study.tuiasi.ro, international.tuiasi.ro).
- Strengthening support services for international students, including accommodation, integration activities and guidance through the existing **Buddy System**.
- Offering Romanian language courses for incoming students, in cooperation with specialized university centres.
- Consolidating administrative processes to ensure efficient management of mobilities and international projects.

6. Ensuring equity, inclusion, sustainability and quality in mobilities

- TUIASI fully adheres to the Erasmus+ principles of **non-discrimination, equal access and inclusion**, ensuring that mobility opportunities are accessible to all members of the university community.
- All mobilities will be recognized based on transparent procedures aligned with ECTS and national legislation.
- The university integrates sustainability principles in mobility planning, research activities and institutional strategies, consistent with the internationalisation objectives and the UN SDGs.

Operational Management of Erasmus+

The Erasmus+ Office ensures continuous coordination and communication with partner institutions. It works closely with Erasmus+ faculty coordinators and the Vice-Rectorate for International Relations to manage:

- incoming and outgoing mobility applications,
- pre-departure and arrival procedures,
- academic recognition processes,
- dissemination of mobility opportunities (including training placements for staff),



- annual selection calls and information sessions for students and staff.

Incoming participants can access Romanian language courses and dedicated integration services. Outgoing students receive mentorship from Erasmus+ faculty coordinators, and their mobility reports are monitored to ensure quality and address potential challenges.

Expected Impact of Erasmus+ on TUIASI

Active participation in the Erasmus+ Programme will contribute to:

- Increasing the number and diversity of student and staff mobilities.
- Strengthening TUIASI’s academic and research excellence through international exposure and collaboration.
- Enhancing TUIASI’s global attractiveness and visibility, contributing to the growth of international student enrolment.
- Developing innovative curricula, teaching methods and research initiatives through international cooperation.
- Consolidating partnerships that support European values, sustainable development and technological progress.

Through these efforts, TUIASI will make significant progress towards becoming a **leading international academic actor**, aligned with its mission to educate responsible, creative and globally competitive engineers, architects and researchers.