



Contributing to promote sustainable development and poverty reduction by increasing the availability of trained and qualified high-level professional manpower in Africa.

Facts and figures

- ❖ Total budget: EUR 10 million (100% EU budget)
- ❖ Action of the 2015 Annual Action Programme of the Pan-African Programme

Partner

- ❖ African Union Commission

Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme

Within the framework of the Joint Africa-EU Strategy, the EU and Africa committed during the 4th EU-Africa Summit in 2014 to further promote higher education in Africa through mobility of students and staff, and institutional support to higher education institutions. The commitment was motivated by the recognition of the crucial role of higher education for economic and social development and of the strong potential of mobility to improve the quality of higher education, by accelerating the use of transparency and recognition tools, and by helping institutions develop better services to send and receive foreign students and researchers.

Objectives

The overall objective of the project is to promote sustainable development and poverty reduction by increasing the availability of trained and qualified high-level professional manpower in Africa. Its specific objective is to contribute to the improvement of the quality of higher education through the promotion of internationalisation, and harmonisation of programmes and curricula within participating institutions. Furthermore, it aims at enabling students and staff to benefit linguistically, culturally and educationally from the experience gained in the context of mobility to another country.

Activities

The [programme](#) is implemented through projects which were selected as a result of an open call for proposals. The seven partnership projects which have been selected will facilitate the mobility of academic staff and students between the participating higher education institutions. Exchanges of good practices with European universities are also foreseen as part of the projects.

The African Union Commission was involved in the evaluation of the proposals and will jointly monitor the implementation of the activities with the services of the European Union.

Implementation

The action is implemented under direct management by the Education, Audio-visual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) through a delegation by the European Commission in collaboration with the African Union Commission (AUC).