

FORTHM Alliance Eighth Call for Projects:

Short-term collective mobility projects 2027-2028

Among many actions taking place within the FORTHM alliance, one of them is short-term student mobility between all 9 alliance universities. Every year, **collective short-term mobility activities** are proposed to students, giving them a chance to take part in a group activity as part of a group of approximately 25 students, coming from all the FORTHM partner universities, who will meet physically on site in one university city.

This eighth call for projects covers actions from **1st April 2027 to 31st March 2028**.

The **deadline for submission** of the applications is **15th October 2026**.

1. Context

The goal of the alliance is to create an inclusive European Higher Education network, a “European University” promoting student and staff mobility and facilitating the emergence of new forms of cooperation. This involves overcoming current barriers to mobility, promoting exchanges and coordinated teaching between partners assisted by strengthened language teaching and employing linguistic mediation technology solutions, as part of a seamless virtual campus.

FORTHM funded short-term mobilities programmes should be presented by a student association or staff member of a FORTHM partner university and be validated by their home university. The duration of the activity **should not exceed 5 days on site**. Organisers will receive 1000€ for organisational purposes and details should be given on how the amount is planned to be used (coffee breaks, visit entries...) and on how any additional organisation costs generated by the planned activity will be covered by the organisers. When planning the day-by-day programme, the organisers should also take into consideration the traveling days (students will be coming from all parts of Europe). In practical terms, we advise not to start the programme before the afternoon/evening on a first day and finish in the morning of the last day. Alternatively, there can be some optional cultural activities on the first morning and the last afternoon.

2. Practical Information

The activities will be organised in all partner universities based on proposals made in response to this call for projects. FORTHM Alliance will provide the students with the financial support to help them with transport and living costs during the mobility.

Selected projects will be advertised through the FORTHM Alliance network and a centralised call for student applications will be launched in **Autumn 2026** for activities which will be **organised in between April 2027 and August 2027**.

A new call for student applications will be launched in **Spring 2027** for the activities **planned between September 2027 and March 2028**.

3. Eligibility

Projects should be validated by their home university.



The total number of student participants expected should generally be **around 30 (including up to 24 participants from 8 partner universities)**. The planned activity should take place between the **1st of April 2027 and the 31st of March 2028**.

4. Funding, documentation and assistance for selected projects

- FORTHM Alliance supports the students with a travel grant for transports and living costs during the mobility.
- Organisers will receive 1000 EUR for organisational costs but will need to make provisions on how to cover them. If you wish to invite guest lecturers from other FORTHM universities, they can apply for Erasmus+ STA/STT funding.
- The local FORTHM Office will provide assistance in managing student applications and selection process.
- At the end of the selected activities, certificates will be provided by local FORTHM Office and transcripts (for the activities that will award ECTS) will be provided to participants by the organisers.
- Home universities will inform their local students about eventual ECTS awarding.
- Organisers will be required to submit the following to the local FORTHM office:
 - An attendance list indicating the qualification obtained by each student, submitted on the last day of the programme; and
 - A two-page report giving feedback, learning outcomes acquired by the students and suggestions for future activities within 2 months of the end of the activity

5. Application procedure and selection criteria

Applications

Applicants wishing to organise a collective short-term mobility should fill out the [application form](#), giving details of the activity planned, the structures involved and anticipated funding, as well as any requirements to be met by future student applicants. It is also possible to send the application to the local [FORTHM Office](#) by email including all the information [from the online form](#).

The application form is open until **Thursday, October 15th 2026**.

Selection criteria and review process

Applications will be reviewed by representatives from all alliance universities. The following criteria will be applied in establishing the final selection of projects to be funded:

- Quality and innovation of the proposed programme (feasibility, contents, structure, planned organisation)
- Coherency with overall [values of the FORTHM alliance](#) (mobility, research and innovation, regional and civic outreach)
- Provisions by organisers to cover organisational costs other than student mobility
- Detailed explanation of Learning Competencies foreseen to be acquired by the students
- Representativity of all universities of the alliance in the final selection

Examples of our previous short-term activities can be found [here](#). Other possible activities might include:





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- A sports tournament bringing together players from the different partner universities.
- A cultural gathering on a particular theme, linked to a local or regional event.
- An extended event organised by an association on a specific topic.

Applicants will be notified of the results of the selection process **by 23rd October 2026.**



Activity report following a short-term collective mobility programme

Activity reports should be sent by email to the applicant's local FORTHM office within two months after the end of the activity. Please submit reports in English and in PDF format, font Calibri size 12, singled-spaced, 2 pages maximum.

Name of activity:

Name of organiser:

Brief recap of activities carried out (max 0.5 page)

- Including numbers and origins of participants. (N° of BA, MA & PhD students, N° of academic, admin staff involved, N° of participants per university)

Implementation (max 0.5 page)

- What were the main difficulties you faced in organising and implementing the programme? How did you overcome them? (Select on scale 1-10, one least difficult, 10 extremely difficult)

Assessment / future developments (max 0.5 page)

- How would you assess the success of the programme you organised? (positive and negative points)
+ on scale for 1-10, 1 being not successful, 10 being extremely successful
- Do you see your programme as having a lasting impact or leading to further actions/collaborations between partner universities? If so, how? + on scale 1-10, 1 not having impact at all, 10 having a long term impact

General feedback (max 0.5 page)

- What advice would you give to facilitate the organisation of future activities of this kind (barriers to be overcome, etc.)?