

Towards a statement of shared values and principles

The Past (1)



- *Idea goes back to 2005, revived in 2009*
- *Two EACEA coordinators meetings in 2009: February (60 participants), October (100 participants)*
- *All coordinators of EM A1, A2, A3 informed in December 2009 (through EACEA)*

The Past (2)



- *February 2009 meeting*: (re)definition of general principles, creation of a working group on voluntary basis
- *October 2009 meeting*: presentation of bylaws/statutes, discussion on membership, extension of scope to include A2, fees

The Past (3)



- January 2010: « kick-off » meeting in Bruxelles outside EACEA context
- Invitation to all current EM coordinators
- Definition of a group of coordinators to draft *bylaws*
- Good feedback
(13 countries, >45 EMMC, 7 EMJD, > 12 EMA2, ...) but low attendance ...
- Solution: IDEA = creation of an Action 3 project to build trust and substance through time

The future



To take into consideration:

- In spite of the position paper, the Association / Concilium is to make sense even if *Erasmus for All* does not keep the *Erasmus Mundus Brand Name*.
- The Concilium is inspired by the ideas underlying the EM programme and not only its existence.

The present



- Proposed values, principles and aims: listed in the next slides from general to more specific (source: draft bylaws)
- Remark: Project Activity 'Needs Analysis' will also have an impact
- Reflective process: future input welcomed

General aims



- to contribute to the **promotion** of European higher education institutions and notably their centres of **excellence** and their educational programmes
- to contribute to the definition of European higher education **policies**
- to encourage **structured cooperation** with higher education institutions in and outside Europe

Input?

Specific Aims



- increase the visibility, accessibility, and awareness of European higher education **worldwide**
- promote the **quality** of European educational programmes on offer, in particular to socioeconomic and institutional actors, in the public and private sectors
- serve as a **forum** for the discussion among those actively involved in the implementation of the association's aims and the representation of the joint positions at the European level
- encourage **structured cooperation** with Higher Education Institutions in Europe and outside the EU and student, teacher and staff **mobility** in Europe and between the EU and third countries
- To provide **support and services** to individuals and institutions sharing the values of the association

Input?

Future issues for discussion: operations



- Members: individuals vs. institutions?
- Governance and structure
- Sustainability

In the meantime: continue to make position papers (eg. Scholarship levels)

Input?



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Possible actions



- to share and disseminate know-how and best-practices among its members, in order to improve the quality of their teaching offer
- to offer consulting and information services for the HEIs adhering to the association's principles
- to identify, at the national and/or institutional level, the legal and technical stipulations that may hinder the effective implementation of officially supported cooperation policies
- to promote the Erasmus Mundus and related programmes,
- to promote exchanges and partnerships with professional sectors
- to establish a think-tank for innovation in higher education
- the development of international cooperation strategies