

# EWP Dashboard Workshop: latest updates and step-by-step guidance

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## On the Agenda for today:

- Nominations and ToRs latest updates and early adoption
- 2. IIAs where to receive the guidance to assure smooth finalisation of the agreements
- 3. Reaching of the 95% targets for LA in digital form
- 4. Q&A





## Nominations and ToRs – latest updates and early adoption



### **Digital Nominations**

- Towards a common standard
  - Replacement for the current fragmented practices
  - Simplification and streamlining IROs daily work
  - Reduces errors and administrative workload
  - Improves data quality and reliability
- Enhance student experience







## **Digital Nominations**



#### Digital nominations: A new chapter in digitising Erasmus+ processes

The student nomination process has now entered a transformative phase with the roll-out in digital form.





### Digital Nominations: Preparing The Groundwork

#### 2023

- Community consultation with IROs on the nomination process workflow
- Analysis of the feedback received to inform Mandatory Business Requirements (MBR)

#### 2024

- Validation of the Mandatory Business Requirements by the DG EAC
- Technical consultations and Nominations API v3 enhancements







### Digital Nominations: Key Milestones

#### 2025

- Spring: Nominations v3 stable release
- Autumn:
  - Technical workshop Conformance Testing
  - Early adopters
- Autumn/Spring: Trainings for IROs on Digital Nominations roll-out







### Digital Nominations: Roll-out

#### 2026

- Large-scale roll-out of digital nominations via EWP
- What to expect?
  - Digital nominations operational network-wide
  - Standardised approach for all partner HEIs
  - Reduced manual entries and improved efficiency









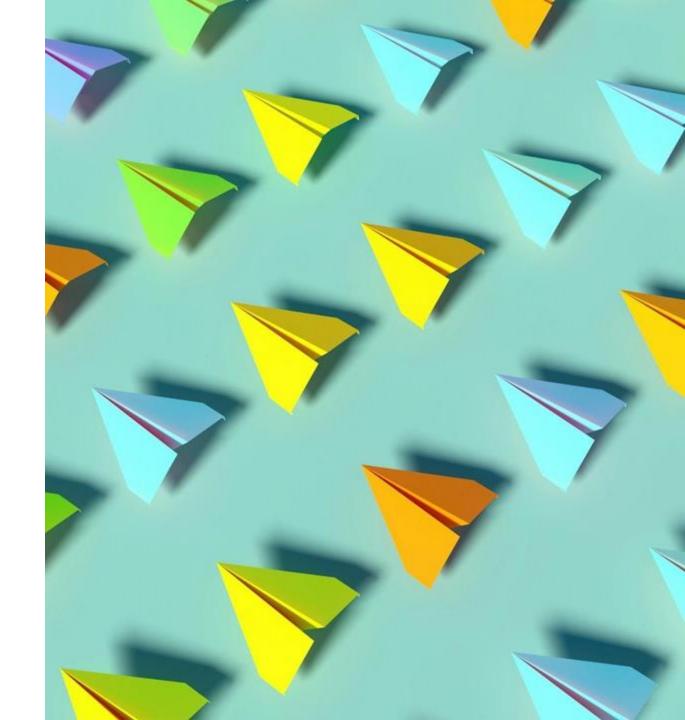


- With IROs
- National Agencies
- Technical teams
- Other strategic stakeholders





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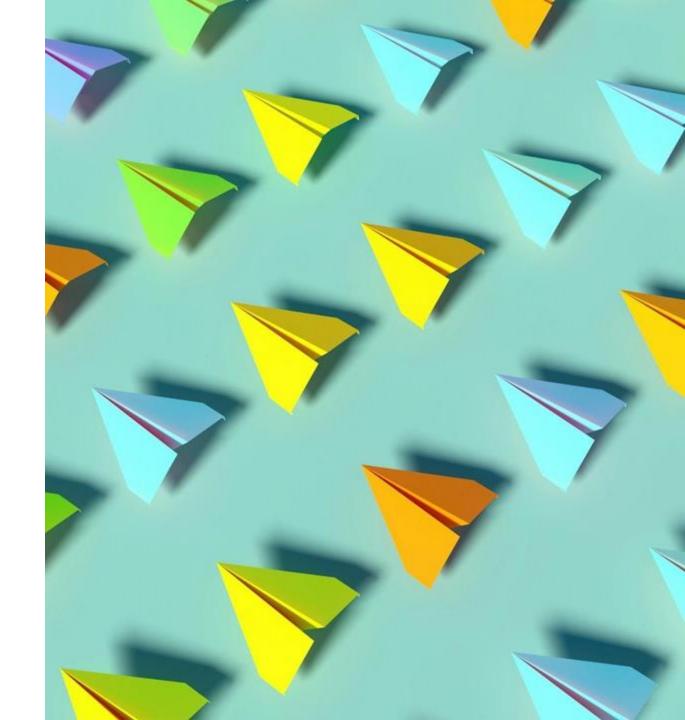


## ToR API status quo and the next steps





Questions?



# IIAs - where to receive the guidance to assure smooth finalisation of the agreements





## Digital Inter-Institutional Agreements (IIAs)

- IIAs in stable release, ensuring reliable access across the network
- Ongoing monitoring issues: Known issues in EWP data exchanges webpage
- Community consultations
  - Managing digital IIAs
  - Renewal process in the next Programme









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#### Featured portals





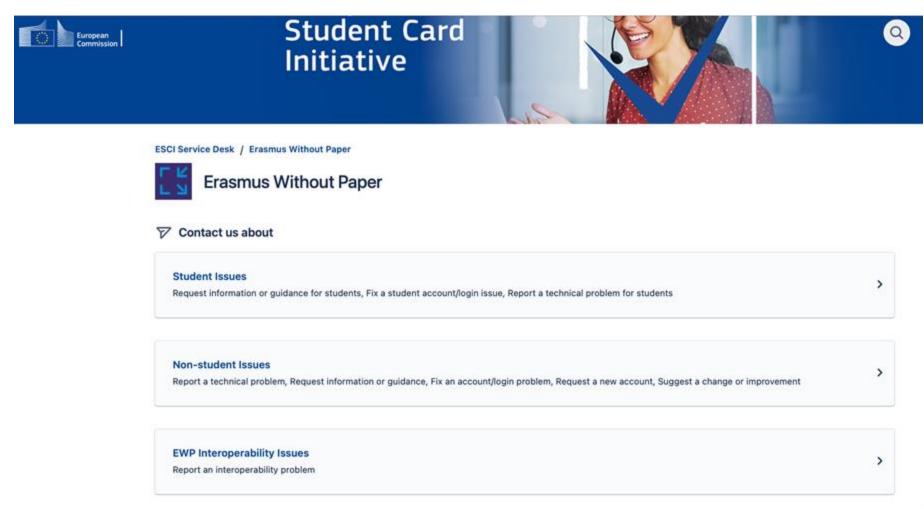
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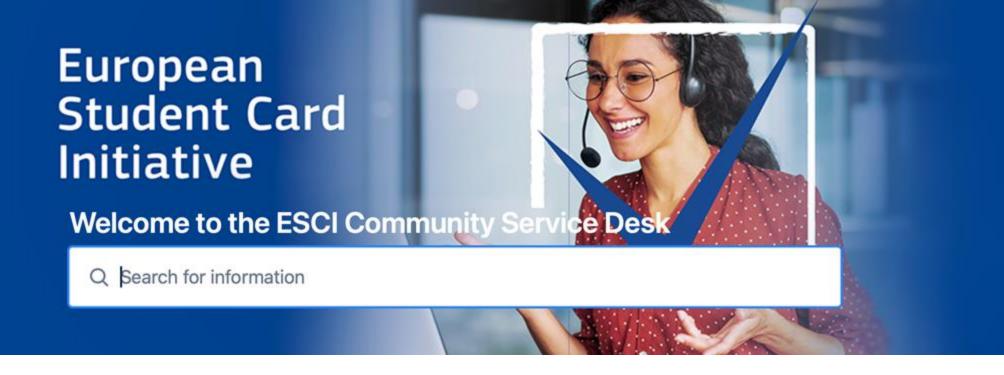
## ESCI SD – Request Types











## Together we improve – your feedback drives progress

If issues are not reported, they cannot be recognized and addressed!





## Acceptable Use Policy

#### Part of Collaboration Agreement

The AUP sets out firmer processes for following up on interoperability issues, including stricter timelines that reflect the need any such matters to be followed-up properly and timely, with a view to avoid that compliance issues affect users.







### Know issues within EWP Network

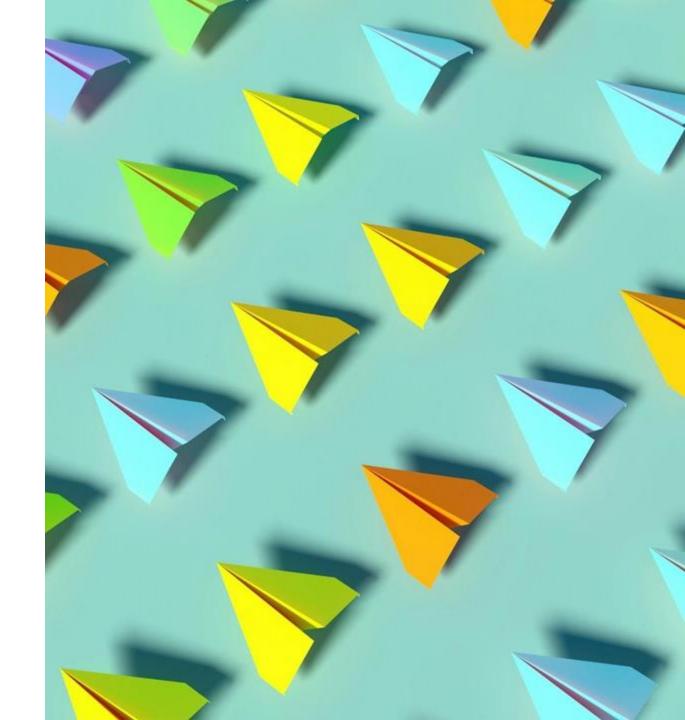
#### ESCI Knowledge Base - Known issues in EWP data exchanges

- An overview of known errors occurring in the network that has been reported by users through the ESCI SD is publicly available for the EWP community
- The list includes the name of the provider, the related process, a short description, and since it has been reported





Questions?



## Reaching of the 95% targets for LA in digital form



## Bridging the digital divide: 95% of learning agreements to be fully digital by 2025

The number of digital learning agreements completed per academic year has increased steadily in the past years. An action plan for 2024-2025 aims to close the remaining gaps.









Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Malta, Latvia, Slovakia





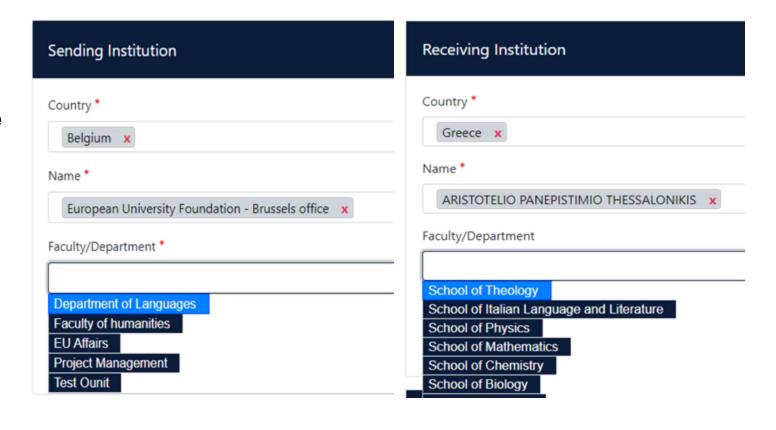
## New Features pertaining LAs in EWP Dashboard





## LAs: Organizational Units on the spotlight

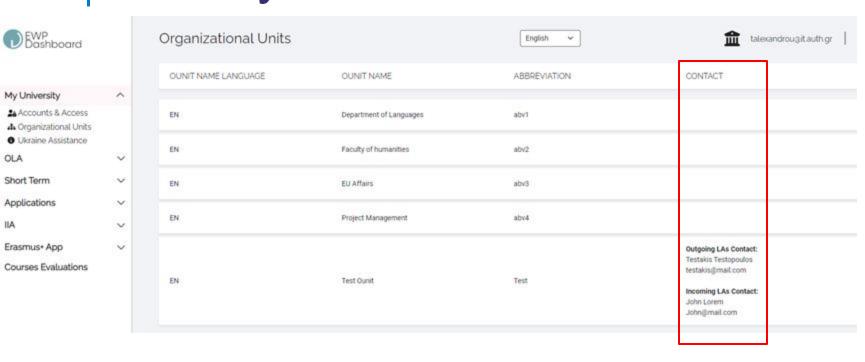
- On the learning-agreement.eu application, organizational units can now be selected from an up-to-date dropdown list.
- The Faculty selection functionality is available for both the sending and receiving institutions, even if the receiving institution is not an EWP Dashboard user (Organizational Units loaded from EWP Network).







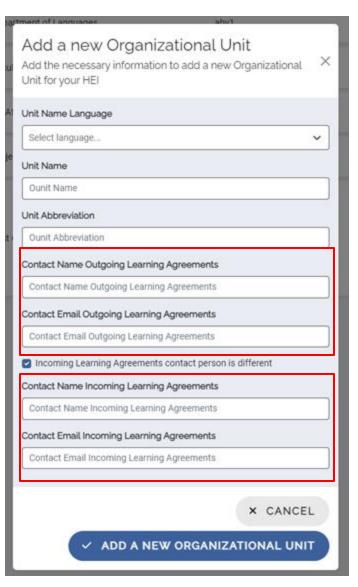
## Outgoing & Incoming LAs Contacts per Faculty/Ounit



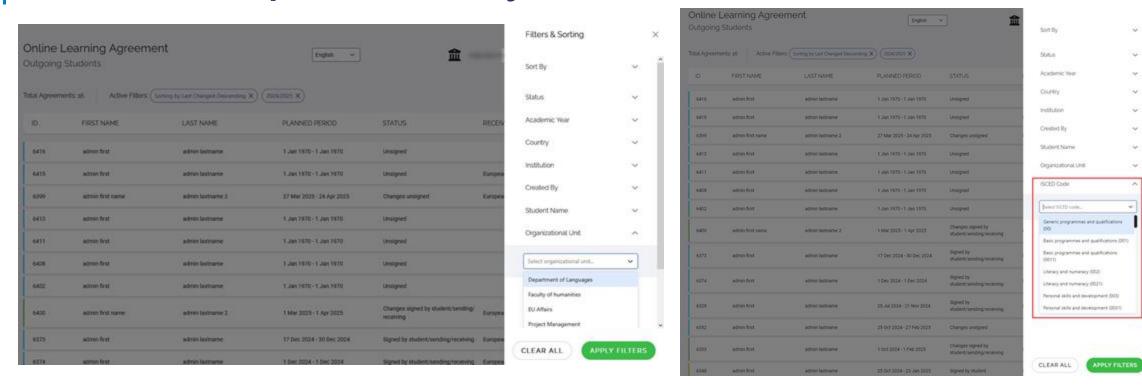
HEIs can stipulate the contact points for incoming and outgoing Learning

Agreements per Organizational Unit.





### Filter LAs per Faculty/Ounit & ISCED Code



- More granular views in the EWP Dashboard listing sections
- A filtering option based on the documents' affiliation to a respective Organizational Units/Faculties or ISCED Codes.





## Minor vs Major Changes to the digital LAs

**The issue:** Certain minor changes made to the digital LAs require a resigning procedure.

**Suggestion:** Differentiate minor changes (which do not require LA reapproval) from major changes (which require oversight from HEIs).

Minor changes can now be made to
LAs that have been approved by all
three parties without requiring a new
round of approvals by the three parties
involved.

Major changes still constitute a new round of approvals by all three relevant parties of the Learning Agreement.



## LAs minor/major changes

#### **Minor Changes**

- Planned start/end of the mobility
- •Sending/Receiving contact details (Responsible/Administrative person)
- •All web links

#### **Major Changes**

Changes to any of the components inside Table A and Final LA Table
 A2

Changes to any of the components inside Table B and Final LA Table
 B2

•Changes to any of the components inside **Table C** 



## Where to find informations about those New Features in EWP Dashboard?

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Inter-Institutional Agreement Manager (e... new feature to download IIAs as PDF files Courses Evaluations - AsCOLA · management of the student's applications for mobility through the Erasmus+App EWP Settings (enhanced EWP Dashboard) E EWP Dashboard FAQs > Functionalities Browse through the articles on the left menu bar or use the search engine to find answers to your questions. 

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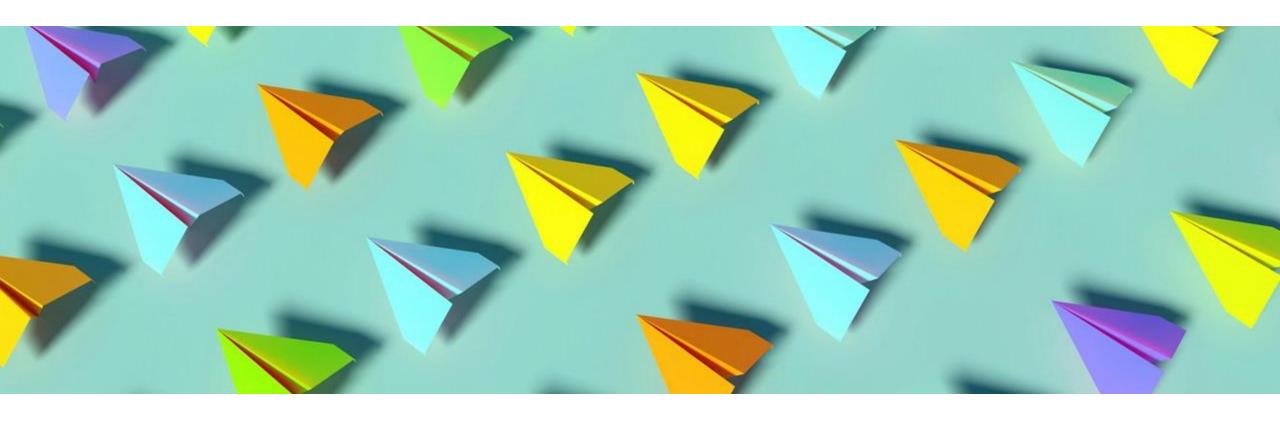
Q Search for a solution

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#### Dash 5.0: Tutorials As announced at the latest webinar, there are new features made available on the EWP Dashboard! We invite you to get acquainted with the tutorials created to showcase the new functionalities via the following links Organisational Unit/ Faculty views: https://escisd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/1067253767/Organizational+Units As well as filtering OLAs: https://esci-sd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/1068367873/Filter+Sort+OLAs and IIAs: https://esci-sd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/39518214/Filter+Sort+IIAs OLAs Minor/Major changes management; https://escisd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/1068662793/OLAs+Minor+Major+changes Multilingual interface options: https://escisd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/1067122693/Multilingual+User+Interface Course evaluation opportunities functionality: https://escisd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/1068105741/Courses+Evaluations+-+AsCOLA Stay tuned also for the upcoming peer-leaning session to further explore the fucntionalites related to faculty managemet as well as online user workshop sessions! More information about the registrations will be made available here. Created: 3/26/2025 Last Updated: 3/27/2025





LAs in digital form – most pressing matters?

### Ongoing activities to reach the targets



With Erasmus+ National
Agencies and Digital
Officers



With IROs



With technical teams operating EWP Network nodes



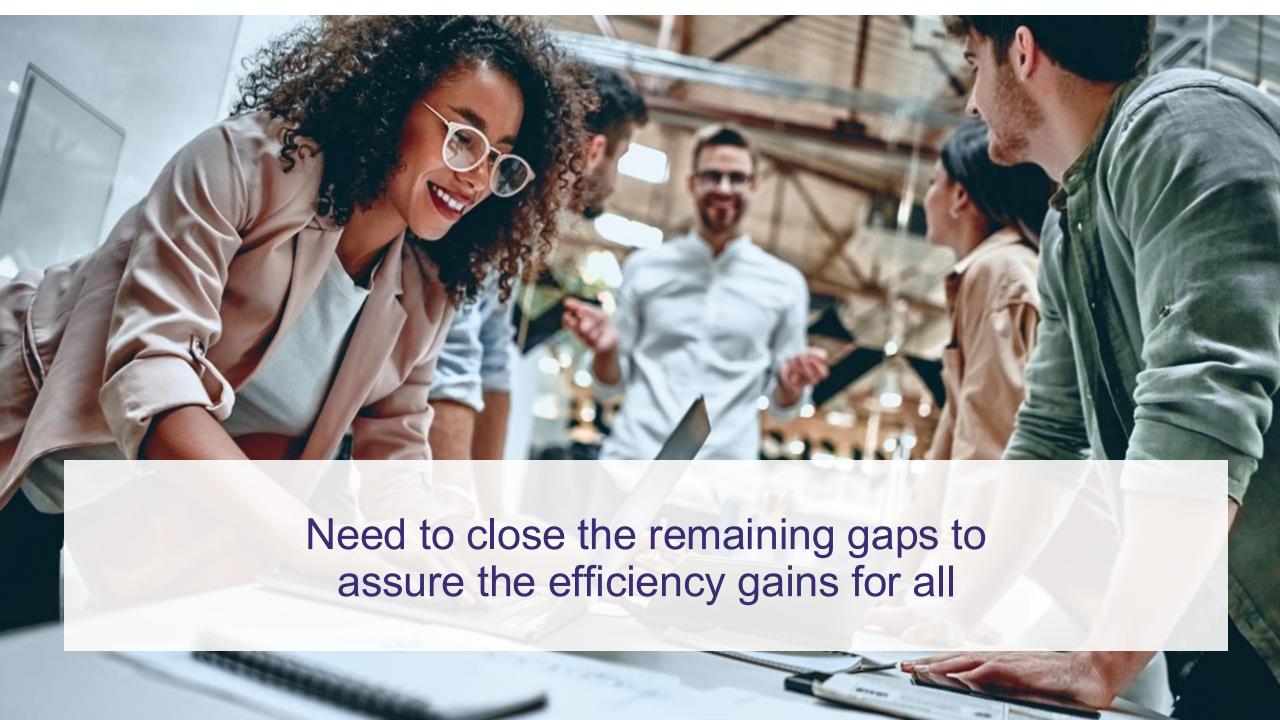


## Progress towards full digitalisation

- More than 126 000 digital learning agreements in 2023/24
- Already 6 countries have reached the 95% targets
- This is the result of a joint effort by the whole community







# Mandatory Business requiremens and Comprehensive User Guide for digital LA





### Community awareness

- Are you familiar with these documents?
  - If yes, how would you assess their usefulness (from IRO point of view)
  - If no, is there any particular reason or barrier you'd like to share?









- "Bridge" between business and IT point of view
  - Detailed description of business process requirements, workflows/document life cycle for the technical solutions developed under EWP
  - Includes user stories
  - High-level process flowchart
- Primary source for the technical community to define technical specification and systems' development









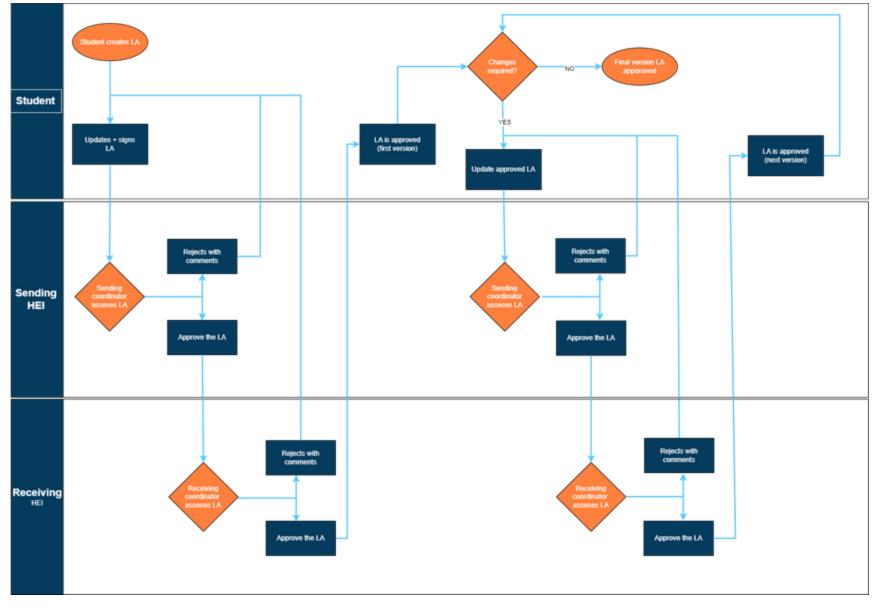
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Development, Implementation and Support of the European Student Card Initiative

Mandatory Business requirements Erasmus+ Learning Agreement



## Digital LA flowchart





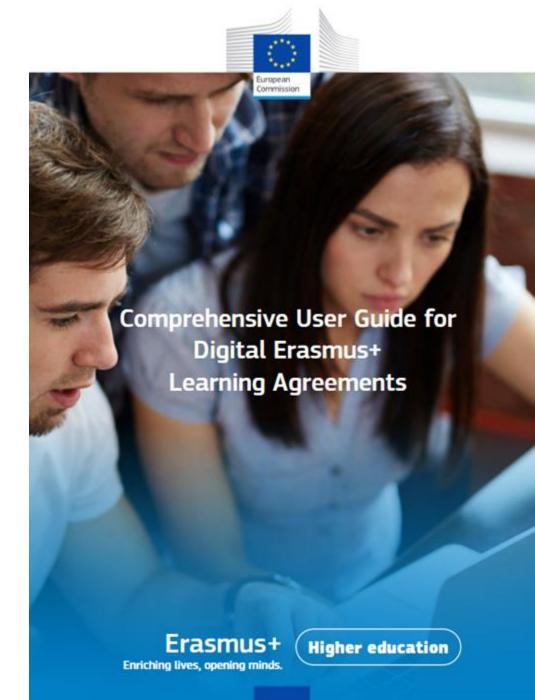


## Comprehensive User Guide for digital LA

- Official user guide for digital learning agreements published on ESCI portal.
- Goal: enhancing "human interoperability" and fostering a shared understanding of the process.







# Comprehensive User Guide for digital LA

- EWP community consultation as a key background source for scenario-based recommendations
- Content
  - Intro
  - LA for studies in EWP
  - Erasmus+ Programme requirements
  - Clarifications about certain fields
  - Exceptional scenarios
  - Fields exchanged via EWP







# Resources to navigate digital Learning Agreements





## Step-by-step







Understand and Prepare

Start small: Pilot with Partners

Monitor, Flag and, Improve





## Step 1: Understand and Prepare

Reference websites





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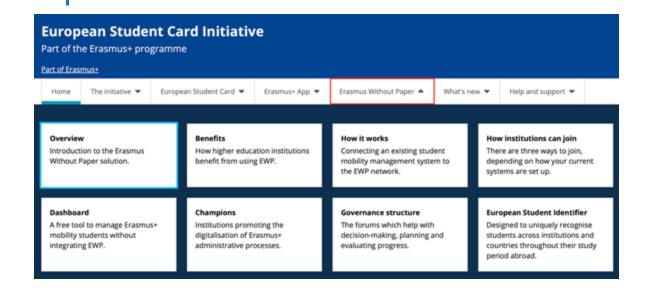
An initiative to help students and higher education institutions on Erasmus+ exchanges by simplifying administrative processes and enhancing digitalisation.

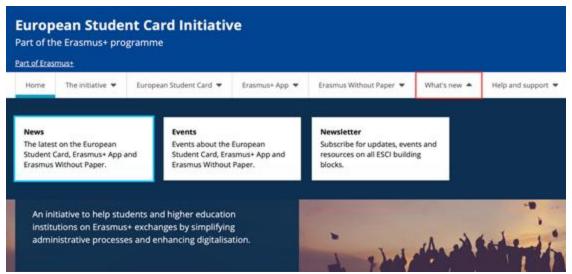


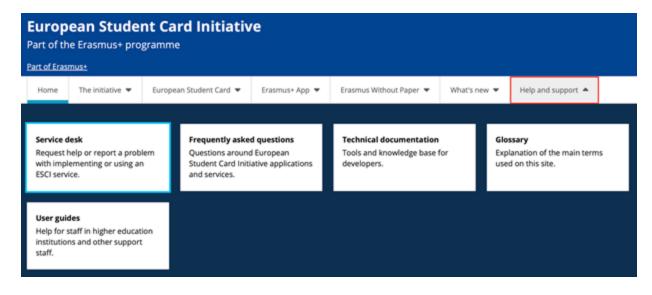




#### **ESCI** Portal







### **ESCI** Newsletter

#### **Cut through the noise**

Get key updates straight to your inbox!



## European Student Card Initiative newsletter



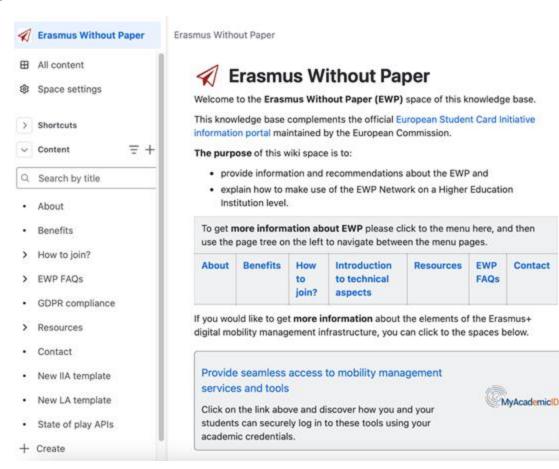
Explore the latest news about Erasmus Without Paper, the Erasmus+ App and the European Student Card

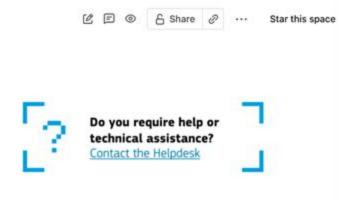






## ESCI Knowledge Base

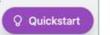




Use the enhanced EWP Dashboard as free solution for managing student mobility



The enhanced version of EWP Dashboard is available. Click on the link above and discover the tool for universities not using in-house or commercial software.

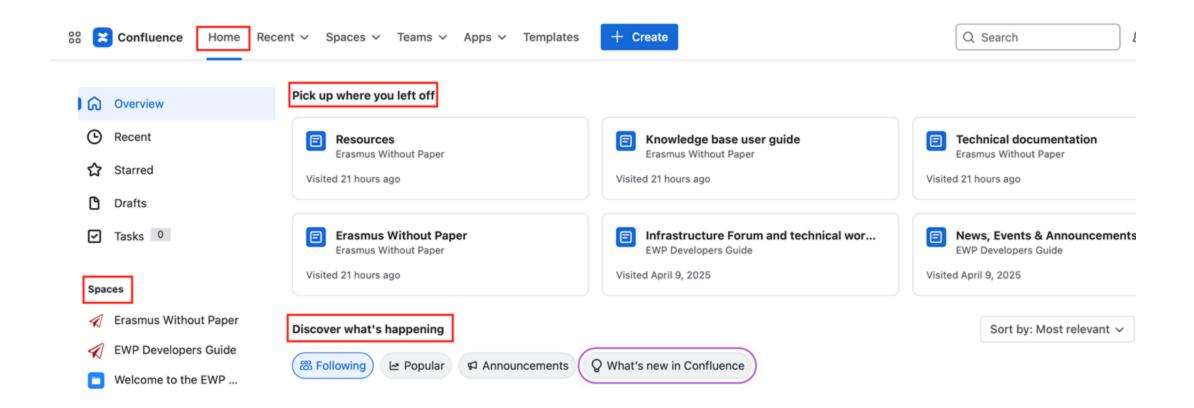








## **ESCI** Knowledge Base







## ESCI Knowledge Base: Technical testing results

EWP Developers Guide / Technical testing and validation reports

The list below provides an overview of all providers that successfully completed the technical testing. Conversely, if a provider features in the list but you encounter issues exchanging data, we encourage you to contact the ESCI support desk.

In order to make this process as transparent as possible, the list indicating which technical tests have been successfully completed, is regularly updated.

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1	1	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (MobiSIS)	auth.gr	in-house	19/06/2024		EWP Stats Portal
2	2	Be Smart s.r.l. (smart_edu)		3-rd party	27/03/2024	04/03/2022	EWP Stats Portal
3	3	Brno University of Technology	vutbr.cz	in-house	27/06/2024		EWP Stats Portal
4	4	CACI (Osiris)		3-rd party	28/02/2024	11/02/2022	EWP Stats Portal



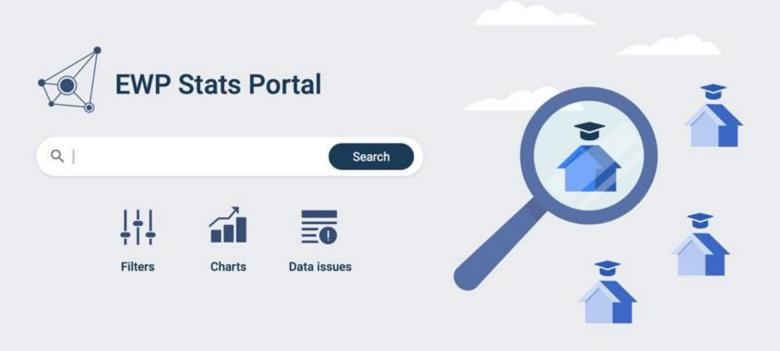


## Step 2: Pilot with partners

What is my partner' status in EWP?











Monitoring (for developers)



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#### **EWP Stats Portal**

https://stats.erasmuswithoutpaper.eu/





## EWP Stats Portal – User guide for National Agencies (or any user)

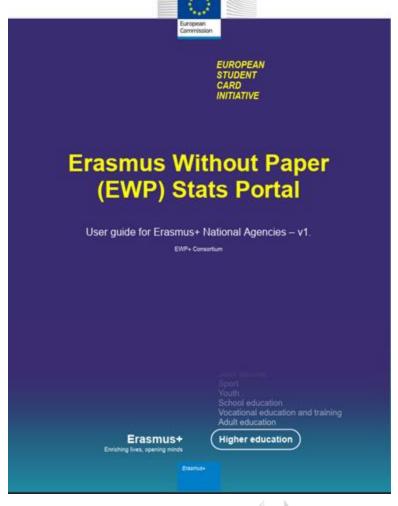


# Erasmus Without Paper Stats Portal - Guide for National Agencies Presents digital officers in Erasmus\* National Agencies with the main features of the Erasmus Without Paper Stats Portal. Share Available languages (1)

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**Erasmus Without Paper Stats Portal - Guide for National Agencies** 







## Step 3: Monitor, flag and improve

Something's not working? Get the support you need via the Service Desk





# LA process in EWP Dashboard





## How can create a Digital LA?

#### There are two options:

Option 1: HEI pre-filling the Online Learning Agreements via

https://ewp-dashboard.eu



Option 2: Students initiating the Online Learning Agreement via

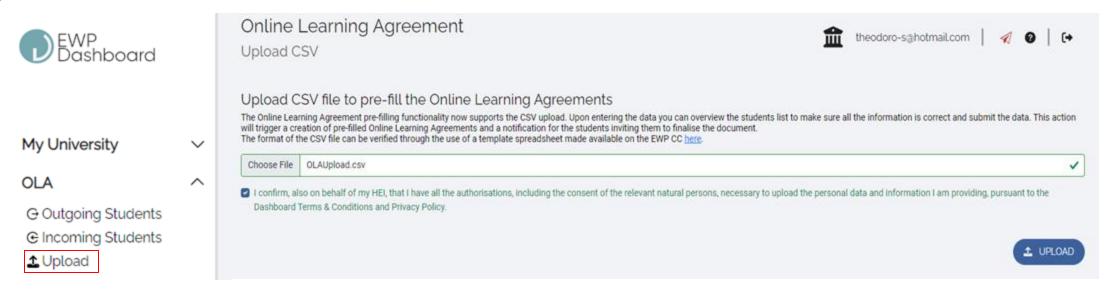
https://www.learning-agreement.eu







### Create a LA as a staff in EWP Dashboard



- The CSV files for creating prefilled students' OLAs have to follow a specific format that is illustrated in the Excel spreadsheet template.
- You can find the CSV file template format here: <a href="https://esci-sd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/22282243/Creating+OLA+enhanced+EWP-Dashboard">https://esci-sd.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DASH/pages/22282243/Creating+OLA+enhanced+EWP-Dashboard</a>



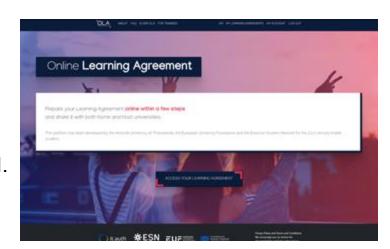


## Create an LA as a student in OLA Platform

- Students create their OLA via the OLA platform by:
  - Filling in the Learning Agreement fields.
  - Signing it digitally.
  - Providing contact details of the responsible person at their sending HEI.
- Once submitted:
  - The responsible person at the **sending HEI** receives an automatic email notification to review and sign the OLA via the EWP Dashboard.
  - The responsible person at the receiving HEI also receives a notification to review and sign:
    - Either in the EWP Dashboard
    - Or via their in-house or 3PP (if connected to the EWP network)







# Challenges and how to overcome them







# From zero to 50% of digital LAs

In a few years' time about half of LAs got digitalised

What are the main success factors?





# Towards fully digitalised LAs

Looking at the future we want all learning agreements to be digital.

What are the remaining obstacles?







## "Human interoperability"

#### Challenges

- Lack of common understanding of the process
- Need to adapt to digital workflows

#### Solutions

- Engage leadership and key-role colleagues
- Comprehensive user guides
- ESCI portal & FAQ





## Embracing Digital Transformation: The Role of Change Management

Erasmus Without Paper (EWP) is more than a technical shift — it's an organizational transformation.

Resistance to change is natural: common concerns include workload, loss of control, lack of clarity.

#### Change management helps address:

- Communication gaps
- Staff engagement
- Process alignment



#### Without effective change management:

- Low adoption rates
- Miscommunication
- •Implementation delays



## Change Management for Small Teams: Practical Steps

#### Start Small and Scale

Focus on one EWP process at a time (e.g. Online Learning Agreement)

#### **Empower a Single Champion**

Identify one motivated person to lead and share learnings

#### Leverage Peer Support

•Connect with similar institutions via EWP community or national agencies events

#### Use Ready-Made Resources

•ESCI Knowledge Base, ESCI portal and FAQs, Comprehensive user guides

#### Keep Feedback Simple

Regular short check-ins with your team to adapt quickly





## Wrong contacts

#### Challenges

- Often reason why LA is rejected
- Less important in digital set up
- Some systems rely on correct contacts

#### Solution

- Focus groups identified those systems Relationship Managers are in contact
- Make contacts optional in next version of the API





## Partner not connected/not exchanging

#### Challenges

Serves as a blocking factor

#### **Solutions**

- Followed up by DG EAC and Digital Officers with institutions concerned
- EWP Stats Portal
- Add ticket to ESCI SD





## LA rejected for "wrong reasons"

## "Minor changes" (no new version and approvals)

- Nationality, gender, email
- ISCED code, EQF level
- Admin contact person details
- Receiving academic year, start date, end date,
- OUNit, learning outcomes url, provisions url, language

#### Major changes (new version and approvals)

- Last name, first name, date of birth, ESI
- LA Type
- all fields in table A-B-C-D-E-A2-B2-C2





## **Duplicate LAs**

#### Possible scenarios

- PDF signed, partner requires digital learning agreement as well
- Digital learning agreements signed, student needs to upload PDF when applying
- Student starting new LA instead of modifying an existing LA





# Timing for sharing Digital Learning Agreement

#### Challenges

- From outgoing perspective: learning agreement needs to be signed before grant agreement
- Two divergent incoming perspectives
  - Digital learning agreement as part of nomination/application process
  - Waiting for finalisation course catalogue





## Challenges regardless of digital or not

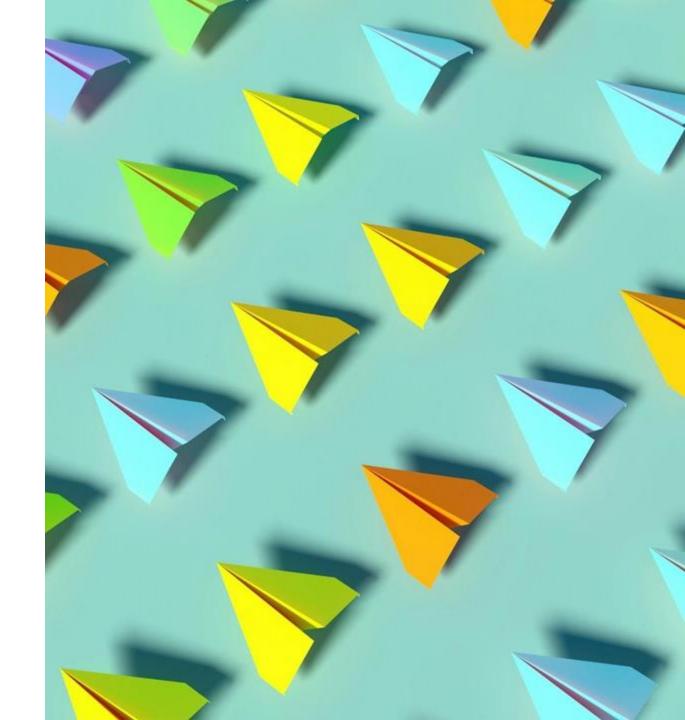
#### Challenges

- Learning agreement to be singed before mobility: exceptional changes are the rule rather than the exception
- Quality & timing course catalogue
- Automatic recognition being part of table B





Questions?



## Summary and key takeaways





## Join the EWP User Groups













