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Dear Sir,

I am sending some information on the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union (EU) depending on the materials presented at the event titled "Information day on the external dimension of Erasmus+" held in Brussels on 4 February, 2014.

The Erasmus+ is the new programme for education, training youth and sport for the period 2014-2020 funded by the European Union (EU). It aims to boost skills and employability, as well as modernizing Education, Training, and Youth work. The seven year programme will have a budget of **€14.7 billion**; a **40% increase** compared to current spending levels. Erasmus+ brings together seven existing EU programme in the fields of Education, Training, and Youth.

Erasmus+ offers some very good opportunities for the students and higher education Institutions (HEI) of Bangladesh. The prime opportunities are following:

**For students:**

- Students may apply for a scholarship to follow courses at masters or doctoral level offered by a consortium of European and non-European higher education institutions. Students have to study in at least two of the participating institutions and be awarded a joint or double/multiple degree at the end of study period ranging from 1 to 2 years. 135,000 students and staffs would be exchanged with partner countries during the period.
- There will be 25000 scholarships for masters degree students for the period. 75% of them would be sourced from non-European talents. Maximum 25000 euro per year would be provided by the EU for students of joint master degree program which covers participation cost, travel cost, a living allowance and insurance. Applications must be sent online directly to Erasmus +.
- If Bangladeshi Universities have inter-institutional agreement with a partner university anywhere in the world, students can apply for a grant of short term credit mobility (up to 12 months) under which students can spend part of the study at the partner intuition.

**For teachers:**

If Bangladeshi Universities have inter-institutional agreement with a partner university anywhere in the world, or is partner in a joint Master degree program, the teachers can apply for a grant to spend a period at the partner institution to deliver teaching or training or to follow training for career development purposes.

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