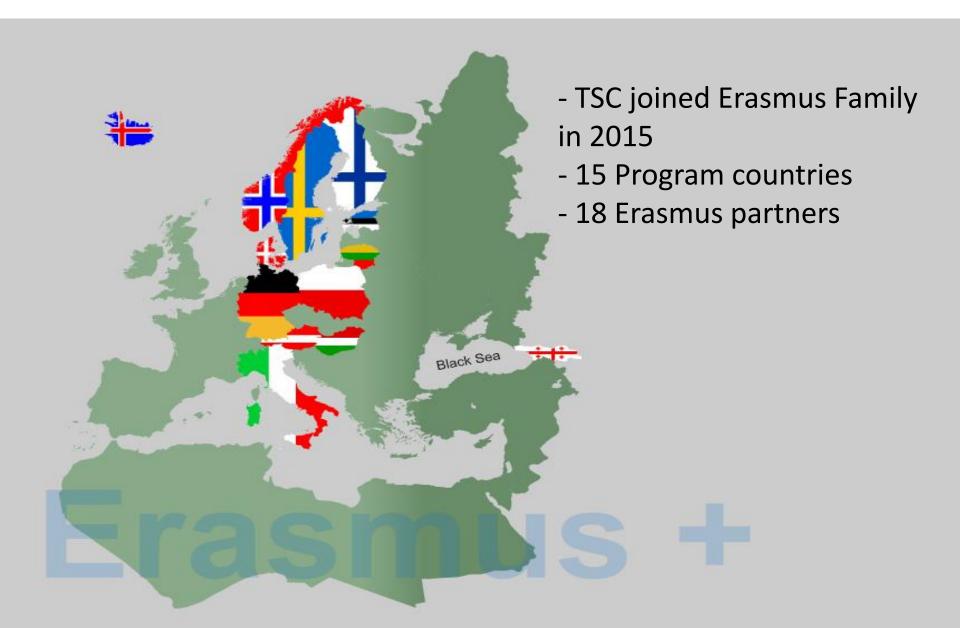
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TSC's Erasmus + map



What does this program mean Georgia?

- Why Erasmus?
- International collaboration has been pointed out as a strategic priority for the coming years by TSC. Becoming the member of the big Erasmus family fitted well to the strategy of the TSC.
- What are the Partner selection criteria's?
- TSC has been cooperating with the majority of the Erasmus partners long before we got Erasmus grant;
- However our cooperation with Iceland Academy of the Arts, Siena Jazz Academy has started with the Erasmus + program
- the fields of cooperation have been clearly identified according to the TSC needs.

How the Erasmus + ICM program works in partner country HEI?

1. internal deadline – pre selection for Erasmus application

- applicant must present at the International Relations Office
- 1. grades in specialty block subjects (authorized by the dean's office, signed and stamped);
- 2. certificate of language proficiency according to the European Language framework

 E+ application deadline and the final decision

- Sending the docs for E+ Application
- Waiting for the final decision from the Erasmus partners

 N.B. TSC students are going through the open competition with other students of the program countries HEI 3. Preparation for mobility



4. After the mobility

- practicalities related to
 - Visa
 - Travel,
 - Accommodation and etc

Responsible body for recognition of studies at TSC is BOARD:
QA, Head of relevant Department, Dean of the relevant faculty and in some cases invited person from the faculty + IRC

Organizational steps for mobility – Staff case

- 1. Before mobility Filled in internal application
- Teaching staff is required to fill in the Erasmus application and select desired Erasmus Partner HEIs from the list

2. Preparation for mobility

3. Mobility and after the mobility

2015-2017 E+ at TSC

 We have done all planned mobility's with our partners on both level – students and staff/teachers

Staff/teacher		students	
Outgoing	Incoming	Outgoing	Incoming
45	32	181 months	40 months

 With certain institutions we went beyond the planned mobilities – Sibelius Academy

How TSC benefited from E+

- Student and teacher exchange is not only about sharing but also learning how to find ways to communicate better with people of various cultural backgrounds
- > Teacher exchange brings ideas towards the study programs through
- curriculum development
- teaching and learning
- enhancing the teaching material through broadening the musical repertoire
- Staff exchange makes an impact on procedures and processes, building capacity
- > It enriches the creative environment of the institution
- 2 joint student and teacher projects with Liszt music academy ("Bartok Reflections"), Estonian music academy (Estonian days at TSC)
- Erasmus mobility strengthens HEIs position on the national level as well as raises competitiveness and attractiveness on a regional level.
- enhancement of the quality through development of international cooperation

To what extent has the TSC increased its capacity to co-operate at international level?

- **>**Synergy
- external examiners practice for final as well as MA entrance exams
- enhancement of the quality through development of international cooperation establishment of the international advisory board (IAB) for TSC

What TSC can bring into

- > TSC is the major cultural, educational and research center in Georgia dealing with both artistic education as well as research
- ➤ Mission of TSC is to provide education, research and artistic activities as well as position itself as a promoter of the art and thus TSC has become an inseparable part of the cultural life of the country
- > TSC is the only center for research in the field of music throughout the country
- Long-standing teaching tradition
- ➤ Traditionally strong directions Piano, Vocal as well as composition and musicological studies
- Capacity to cooperate through the projects in the field of Opera studies, Student orchestra, folk music and etc
- ➤ Diversity: independently together thus we all come together as one and the energy we create allows us to achieve our individual as well as group goals.

Thank you for attention