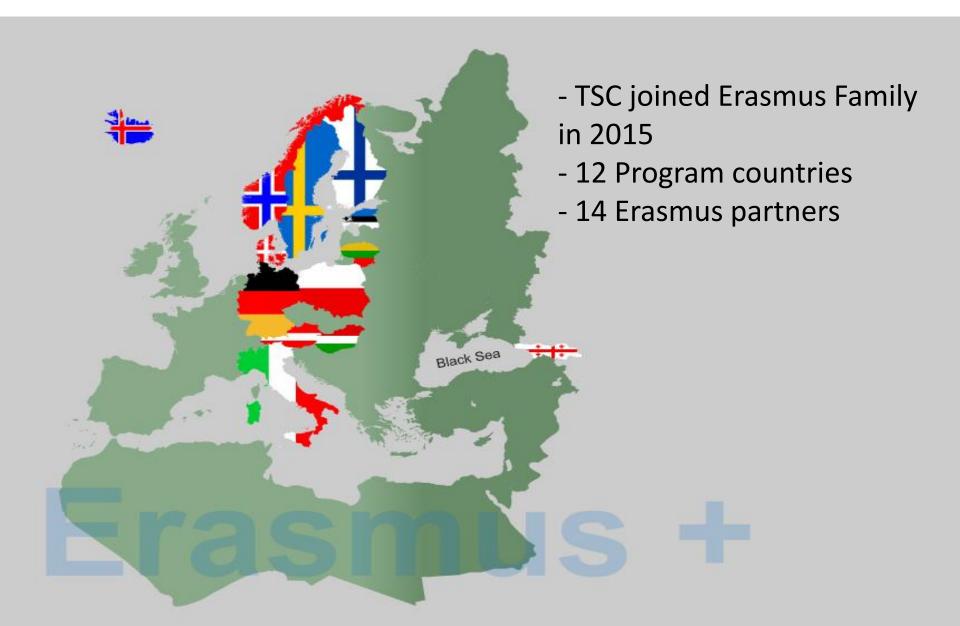


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### TSC's Erasmus + map



#### Partner selection criterias

- 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.

#### 2015-2017 planned motilities in total through E+

| Staff    |          | students   |           |  |
|----------|----------|------------|-----------|--|
| Outgoing | Incoming | Outgoing   | Incoming  |  |
| 27       | 17       | 181 months | 40 months |  |

### already done motilities through E+

|           | Staff       |          | students                           |          |
|-----------|-------------|----------|------------------------------------|----------|
|           | Outgoing    | Incoming | Outgoing                           | Incoming |
| 2015-2016 | 17          | 12       | 58 months                          | 0        |
| 2016-2017 | In progress |          | 123 months - Currently on exchange | ?        |

# Organizational steps for mobility - Students' case

**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

2. <u>E+ application</u> 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 Practicalities related to
- -Visa
- Travel
- Accommodation and etc
- 3. Mobility and after the mobility

#### **Benefits**

- It enriches the creative environment of the institution;
- exchange of the staff brings lots of ideas towards development of the study programs
- 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
- building capacity
- it's not only about sharing but also learning how to find ways to communicate better with people of various cultural backgrounds

### Challenges

- 1. On the level of the institution
- Balanced mobility (student; administrative/teaching staff)
- To get more teachers involved
- linguistic and cultural challenge.

2. Visa fees for long term stay (students), visa processing time for the final decision (students, sometimes it takes up to 60 days)

### Thank you for attention