



# Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs

## Registration Guide- New entrepreneurs



Internal Market,  
Industry,  
Entrepreneurship  
and SMEs

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## Background and purpose of the guide

The Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs aims at helping recently established and would-be entrepreneurs, to acquire relevant experience and skills for managing a small or medium-sized enterprise, by working with an experience from another European country.

The overall objective of the programme is ensuring the transfer of knowledge and experience between European entrepreneurs to increase the number of successful start-ups and enhance cross border trade in Europe.

To participate in the programme, you should apply online via the website [www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu](http://www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu).

This guide has been especially developed to provide you with direction on the type and level of detail of information that should be submitted to ensure a high level of quality of applications and consequently more chances to be accepted in the programme.

## STEP 1 – Preparing your registration

The programme is accessible to all European entrepreneurs (new and host) provided that they are eligible for the programme. Therefore, before registering, please make sure that you fulfill the eligible criteria and the minimum quality standards set by the programme. Make also sure that you prepared the necessary compulsory information (i.e. business plan, CV, motivations...) to validate your application.

### *Eligibility criteria*

#### **New entrepreneur definition**

- Would-be entrepreneurs who are firmly planning to start their own business based on a viable business plan or a concrete project; or, entrepreneurs who have recently started their own business in the last 3 years<sup>1</sup>;
- Permanent resident<sup>2</sup> in one of the participating countries<sup>3</sup>;
- Have a concrete project or a business idea reflected in a business plan.

Please note that the programme does not require a minimum age to participate in the programme. However, from the definition of the new entrepreneur and the various requirements linked to this definition (in terms of educational background, business experience etc.) it is very unlikely that individuals below the age of 18 can fulfil these requirements. Furthermore, individuals under 18 do not have the legal ability to sign contracts on their own.

### *Minimum quality standards*

#### **The motivations and expectations should be clearly expressed**

Host entrepreneurs are looking for motivated new entrepreneurs with clear objectives. Therefore, it is extremely important to clearly describe your expectations and motivations in order to find the suitable business partner corresponding to your needs.

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<sup>1</sup> Whenever planned or already existing the business can be in any sector

<sup>2</sup> Permanent residence' is defined as:

- The place where the company of the applicant is registered, if the applicant has a registered company;
- If a company has several establishments in different EU Member States or other participating countries, the entrepreneur should choose one of the countries as permanent residence;
- The place where the applicant has spent 183 days or more in the course of the last 12 months, if the applicant does not have a registered company.

<sup>3</sup> EU Member States, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Iceland, Montenegro and Turkey, Albania, Serbia, Moldova and Armenia, as well as the corresponding EU outermost regions and Overseas Countries and Territories (OCTs).

## A sound personal and vocational background

The curriculum vitae should include a summary of your educational & vocational background, your competencies/skills and your work experience.

It should be clear, concise, complete and up-to-date with current employment and educational information.

The [Europass CV format](#) is preferable, but not compulsory<sup>4</sup>. The CV can be **submitted in any language**. However, you should take into consideration the language of the selected Intermediary Organisation. In any case, English is favoured as it is understood by almost all users of the online database (new entrepreneurs, host entrepreneurs and Intermediary Organisations) and consequently facilitates the matchmaking

## A well formulated business idea

A business plan is a document that summarises the operational and financial objectives of one's business and contains the detailed schemes and budgets, which show how to realise the objectives.

You are requested to submit a **full business plan** and a **summary** of it.

- The summary of the business plan must be submitted in any EU official language; however English is strongly preferable as it will be available to all accepted users of the online catalogue. You are invited to formulate the summary in a way that avoids misuse and potential damage to yourselves.
- The full business plan is a **confidential document** that can only be read by the chosen new entrepreneur's Intermediary Organisation, Support Office and European Commission. It can be submitted in an official language of the EU or the language of one of the other participating countries that your Intermediary Organisation understands.

The Support Office does not provide a business plan template. You are able to choose the format you prefer. It will be up to your IO to check if the document is of sufficient quality and fulfils the basic requirements, namely that it demonstrates that you are firmly planning to start your own business or have started your own business within the last 3 years and that the business idea is well thought through.

Furthermore, it should contain at least:

- A description of the product or service offered;
- A market analysis including a definition of the target market and a competitor analysis;
- A financial plan including estimated expenses and income in the following 2 years and a break-even analysis.

As previously mentioned, the full business plan is a confidential document and as such, before submitting the full business plan, you may want to sign a non-disclosure agreement (NDA) or a similar confidentiality agreement with your Intermediary Organisation should you consider this useful.

## Ability to work in a foreign language

The communication between you and the host entrepreneur is crucial for a successful exchange.

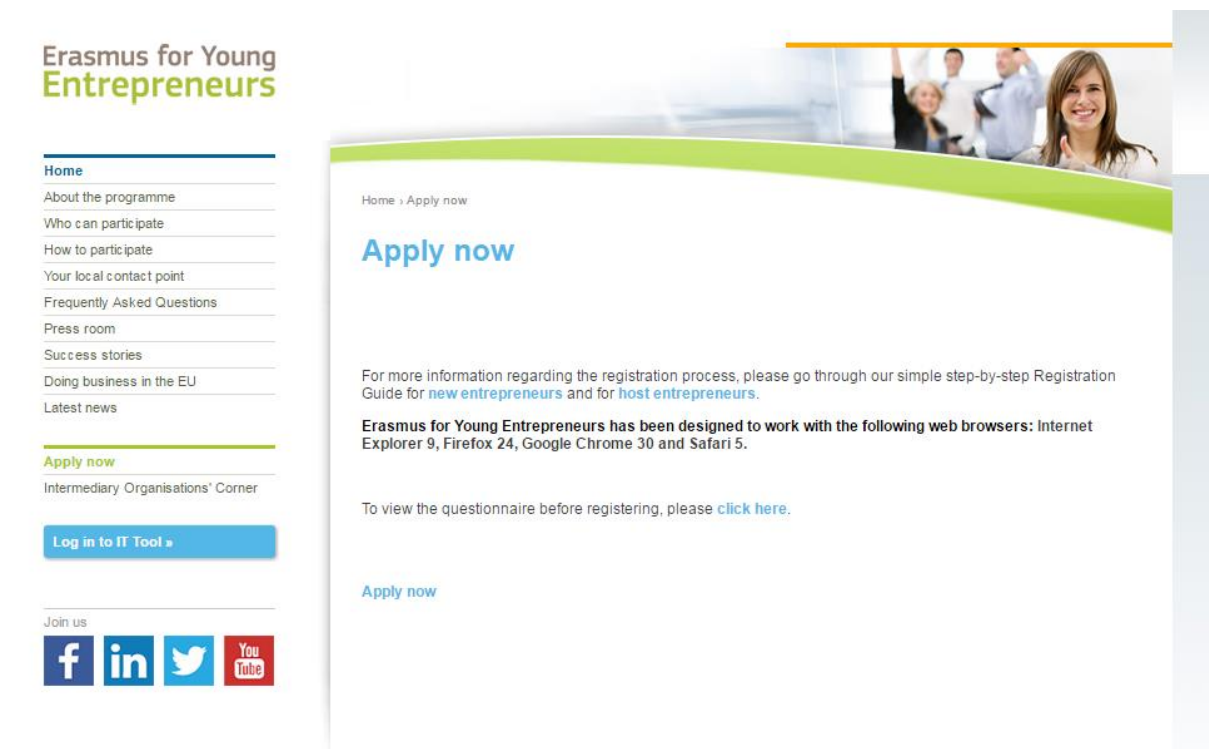
Given that no language training is provided by the programme and that language skills are one of the main criterion for a suitable matching, it is important to ensure that you have good command of the English language or master a second language, in addition to your mother tongue (i.e. no difficulty in understanding, speaking and writing in the language(s)).

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<sup>4</sup> <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/europass/home/home/Downloads/EuropassCV/CVTemplate.csp>

## STEP 2 – Register!

The online registration form is available on the programme website [www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu](http://www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu) under the section “Apply now”.



Enter your e-mail address and click on the Register button.

Please note that Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs works with the following web browsers: Internet Explorer 9, Firefox 31, Google Chrome 32 and Safari 5.

Once you register, you will not be able to change your e-mail address (nor your first and last name) any longer. Therefore, please make sure that you will not lose access to this account in the future.

## Welcome page of the application form for new entrepreneurs

The first page of the application form explains the registration process.

Choose your status 'New entrepreneur' and click on 'Next'. It is recommended to save as draft your application at least once during the registration process.

The screenshot shows the 'Welcome' page of a registration form. At the top, a horizontal navigation bar lists the steps: 'Welcome', 'Your profile', 'Motivation', 'Languages', 'Business sector', 'Geographical preferences', 'Duration and period of the exchange', and 'Selection of IO and submission'. The 'Welcome' step is currently active. The main content area contains several paragraphs of text explaining the registration process, including a link to a list of IOs and a note about saving drafts. A section titled '\* Do you want to register as a NEW or a HOST entrepreneur?' features two radio buttons: 'New entrepreneur' (selected) and 'Host entrepreneur'. To the right of these buttons is a grey box with explanatory text about the criteria for new and host entrepreneurs. At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: 'Next' and 'Save draft'. A small note at the bottom left states '\* = mandatory fields'.

Registration steps: Welcome > Your profile > Motivation > Languages > Business sector > Geographical preferences > Duration and period of the exchange > Selection of IO and submission

Welcome to the registration form to participate in Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs as an entrepreneur!

The information you will provide in this multi-page form will be transmitted to your chosen Intermediary Organisation (IO). To view a list of the IOs officially appointed for the programme, please [click here](#).

Your chosen IO will normally contact you within 2 weeks after you have completed and confirmed your submission.

Once your application has been processed and accepted by your IO, the information you provided will be entered into the on-line catalogue of accepted entrepreneurs, where you will be able to find possible counterparts. The catalogue is accessible to all IOs, the accepted Host Entrepreneurs (HEs) and the accepted New Entrepreneurs (NEs), except where indicated otherwise.

Before proceeding to fill out this form, please make sure you have at hand the following documents: updated version of your CV, your business plan (only if you are a new entrepreneur) and other relevant documents you may find useful to accompany your application.

You can at any time save a draft of your application and resume the registration process later on. It is recommended to do frequent saves of your information, to avoid any loss of data.

**\* Do you want to register as a NEW or a HOST entrepreneur?**

☒ New entrepreneur

☐ Host entrepreneur

Someone who is firmly planning to set up his or her own business or has already started a business within the last three years is considered a new entrepreneur. Experienced entrepreneur should own or manage an SME in the EU. For more information, click here.

Next

Save draft

\* = mandatory fields

The collected personal data (e.g. name, address, phone/fax numbers, e-mail) is intended for the express purpose of organising the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs exchange. This information may be disseminated electronically or on paper and conferred to other participants in the interest of facilitating communication among them, as well as for the promotion of future events on this subject or on similar subjects. This registration procedure is subject to data privacy rules and is executed in compliance with Regulation (EC) 45/2001 on the data protection of personal data and the processing thereof. A privacy policy statement specifies how your data will be used. If you want to exert your right to access, modify, rectify or delete your personal data please contact us. Complaints, in case of conflict, can be addressed to the European Data Protection Supervisor (<http://www.edps.europa.eu>).



## Your Profile

This section is about your personal data. Please indicate your contact details and then click 'Next' (the fields with an **\* are mandatory**).

If you do not specify your country you will not be able to select an Intermediary Organisation on the last step of your registration process.

Registration steps: Welcome **Your profile** Motivation Languages Business sector Geographical preferences Duration and period of the exchange Selection of IO and submission

**\* Profile information**

Title:

Last name:

First name:

Company name:

Address (300 character(s) left):

Zip code(postal code):

City:

Country:

Phone:

Fax (if any):

Email:

Website (if any):

Skype ID (if any):

Please fill-in your personal information.

**\* Have you already started your own business ?**

☐ Yes  
☐ No

Please state if you have already started a business.

\* = mandatory fields

## Motivation

In this section, you are required to explain why you are interested in participating in the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme and how you wish to contribute to the host entrepreneur's company. You should demonstrate:

- A real commitment to invest in a learning experience;
- A clearly identifiable commitment towards being an entrepreneur;
- Clear and well defined learning needs;
- A willingness to contribute to the development of the host entrepreneur's business and to make available your skills and competences;
- Dynamism, seriousness, creativity and initiative.

Please be as concise and precise as possible as the motivation is a very important criterion for selection.

The screenshot shows the 'Motivation' section of the registration form. At the top, a navigation bar includes 'Registration steps:' followed by 'Welcome', 'Your profile', 'Motivation' (highlighted), 'Languages', 'Business sector', 'Geographical preferences', 'Duration and period of the exchange', and 'Selection of IO and submission'. Below the navigation bar, there are four questions, each with a text input area (2000 character(s) left) and a grey box for instructions:

- \* Please indicate why you wish to participate in the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme and state your expectations:**  
Please be as concise and concrete as possible, as your motivation is a very important criterion for selection.
- \* How should your stay abroad help you develop your business?:**  
Please be as concise and concrete as possible, as your motivation is a very important criterion for selection.
- \* Have you worked or studied abroad before? How do you plan to prepare yourself for your stay with the Host Entrepreneur?:**  
Please fill-in some comments.
- \* Which added value can you provide to your envisaged Host Entrepreneur? Why should the Host Entrepreneur choose you?:**  
Please be as concise and concrete as possible, as your potential Host Entrepreneur is very interested in your answer.

The CV should be submitted preferably in **English**. If you use another language, please make sure that the selected Intermediary Organisation understands it.

The screenshot shows the CV upload section of the registration form. It features a green header bar with the text: **\* Please upload your CV (Preferred format: PDF). The [Europass CV format](#) in English is preferable, but not compulsory:**. Below this, there is a file selection area with a button labeled 'No file select...' and a blue button labeled 'Choose File'. To the right of the file selection area is a grey box with the instruction: **Please upload your CV file (.PDF, .DOC). Maximum file size of 200KB.**



You should provide a **summary** of your business plan in **2000 characters**.

This overview will be visible to all accepted entrepreneurs in the online database as well as to all existing Intermediary Organisations, Support Office and European Commission. Therefore, you are required to formulate it in a way that does not disclose confidential information.

* Please give short overview of your plans to develop a business (preferably in English):	
<p>2000 character(s) left</p> <div></div>	<p>The business plan must at least contain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) A clear description of the product or service to be offered;</li><li>b) A market analysis that includes definition and assessment of the target market;</li><li>c) It should also include competitors analysis as well as NEs marketing and sales plan;</li><li>d) A financial plan including estimated expenses and income in the following 2 years and a break-even analysis.</li></ul> <p>Please formulate the summary in a way that does not disclose confidential information.</p>

Please upload the **full business plan**. The business plan is a confidential document that will only be accessible to you, your Intermediary Organisation (Local Contact Point), the Support Office and the European Commission (not to other entrepreneurs or IOs). It should be submitted in an official language of the EU that is spoken by your selected Intermediary Organisation.

* Please upload your business plan (Preferred format: PDF):	
<div>No file select... Choose File</div>	<p>This information will only be available to your chosen IO, not to other entrepreneurs. The IO is fully responsible for the confidential treatment of the business plan. If the content needs special protection, you may consider to sign a non-disclosure agreement (NDA) with the IO. Maximum file size of 200KB.</p>

If you have any additional supporting document, please upload it.

Other supporting document:	
<div>No file select... Choose File</div>	<p>If you want to provide some other useful document. Maximum file size of 200KB.</p>
Description of the document:	
<p>2000 character(s) left</p> <div></div>	<p>Write a description of the attached document.</p>

Experience in running a business- add the information about professional work experience **as entrepreneur (running your own business) in number of years**. Please note that this reflects the entrepreneurial experience and not the professional one in general, mentioned at the next question.

**\* Experience in running a business (number of YEARS):**

Professional work experience as entrepreneur (years, number only). NOT THE WORKING EXPERIENCE AS AN EMPLOYEE. Please note that if you have more than 3 years of entrepreneurial experience, you should register as Host Entrepreneur. If you fail to do so, your application as New Entrepreneur will be automatically removed from our system.

And any other professional work than entrepreneur.

**\* Previous working experience (number of MONTHS):**

This is for any professional work experience other than as entrepreneur (number only).

[Previous](#) [Next](#)  
[Save draft](#)

Click 'Next' or save as draft.

## Languages

The success of an exchange depends on the ability of both entrepreneurs to communicate properly.

Since language plays a key role in this process, you must be able to communicate in a language your host entrepreneur understands in order to collaborate adequately. Furthermore, the work or project proposed during the placement (e.g. foreign market research), may require some specific language skills. Given that no language training is provided by the programme, you should be comfortable with the languages you have selected in your application (i.e. no difficulty in understanding, speaking or writing the language(s). Although there are no specific language requirements, a relatively good level of English is encouraged in addition to your mother tongue.

Please first select your mother tongue.

Registration steps: Welcome > Your profile > Motivation > **Languages** > Business sector > Geographical preferences > Duration and period of the exchange > Selection of IO and submission

**\* Please specify your mother tongue:**

Please select your mother tongue.

Select any other language that you have no difficulty in understanding, speaking and writing.

Please specify other languages in which you are comfortable working:

<input type="checkbox"/> Bulgarian	<input type="checkbox"/> Greek	<input type="checkbox"/> Norwegian
<input type="checkbox"/> Croatian	<input type="checkbox"/> Hungarian	<input type="checkbox"/> Polish
<input type="checkbox"/> Czech	<input type="checkbox"/> Icelandic	<input type="checkbox"/> Portuguese
<input type="checkbox"/> Danish	<input type="checkbox"/> Irish	<input type="checkbox"/> Romanian

**\* Please upload your business plan (Preferred format: PDF) :** [i](#)

[Browse...](#) [Clear](#)

**\* Experience in running a business (in years) :** [i](#)

**\* Previous working experience (number of months) :** [i](#)

Click 'Next' or 'Save draft'.

## Business sector

The business sector is another important criterion to find a suitable business partner. You need to specify the business sector of your future or recently started company, as well as the other sectors you are interested in.

Specify the business sector of your recently established future enterprise.

The screenshot shows a registration progress bar with steps: Welcome, Your profile, Motivation, Languages, **Business sector**, Geographical preferences, Duration and period of the exchange, and Selection of IO and submission. Below the bar, a green header reads: '\* Please specify the main business sector of your future or current business activity:'. A dropdown menu with 'Please select' is on the left, and a grey box on the right contains the text: 'This is the primary business sector of your future or recently started company.'

Choose up to 4 additional sectors that best correspond to the nature of your future or current business. Note that the more sectors you select the higher chances to find a partner.

This section features a list of 32 business sectors, each with an unchecked checkbox. The sectors are: Advertising, promotion, printing, media and related products and services; Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural products and services; Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services; Automotive industry; Chemical products; Clothing, footwear, leather and textile, luggage articles and accessories; Community, social and personal services; Construction sector and real estate; Crafts, art materials and accessories; Distribution and Retail sector; Education and training services; Electrical machinery, apparatus, equipment and consumables; lighting; Energy, fuel, electricity and other sources of energy; Financial and insurance services; Food, beverages, tobacco and related products; Furniture, domestic appliances and cleaning products; Health, beauty and social services; Hotel, restaurant, tourism, travel services and wellness; IT, office and communication equipment, services and supplies; Industrial machinery production, installation, repair and maintenance; Legal, fiscal and other consultancy services; Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products; Mining, machinery for mining, basic metals and related products; Music, theater, events and related cultural and entertainment services; Organic/Bio/Eco products and services; Research and development equipment and services; Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment; Social economy/responsible entrepreneurship/CSR; Transport and Logistics services; Water distribution, Sewage, refuse, cleaning and environmental services. To the right of the list is a large grey area with the instruction: 'Chose up to 4 additional sectors which best correspond to the nature of your future or current business.' At the bottom are three buttons: 'Previous', 'Next', and 'Save draft'.

Click 'Next' or save as draft.

## Geographical preferences

In this section you should indicate your preferred countries for your stay abroad. You cannot do the exchange in your country of residence.

Select your primary choice for the county of exchange.

The screenshot shows a progress bar at the top with steps: Registration steps, Welcome, Your profile, Motivation, Languages, Business sector, **Geographical preferences**, Duration and period of the exchange, and Selection of IO and submission. Below the progress bar, a green header reads: "\* Please indicate your preferred target country for the exchange (this has to be different from your country of residence):". Under this header, there is a dropdown menu with the text "Please select" and a right-pointing arrow. To the right of the dropdown is a grey box with the text: "Indicate here the country you would like to go to for the stay abroad."

Select up to 4 other possible countries for the exchange.

This screenshot shows the same green header as the previous image: "\* Please indicate your preferred source country for the exchange (this has to be different from your country of residence):". Below it is a dropdown menu with "Please select" and a right-pointing arrow, followed by a grey box with the text: "Indicate here the country from which the NE you will host should ideally come from." Below this is another green header: "Please indicate other possible countries for the exchange:". Under this header, there is a list of countries with checkboxes, arranged in three columns: Albania, Armenia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Montenegro, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, and United Kingdom. To the right of this list is a large grey box with the text: "Select up to 4 further countries as secondary choice." At the bottom of the form, there are two buttons: "Previous" and "Next".

Click 'Next' or save as draft.

## ***Duration and period of the exchange period***

In this section, you should mention the number of months you wish to spend abroad and the periods when you are available for the exchange. This information is of utmost importance in the search for a suitable host entrepreneur.

### ***Specify the length of your exchange***

The exchange should last between one and six months and should be completed within an overall time span of twelve months.

The screenshot shows a progress bar at the top with steps: Welcome, Your profile, Motivation, Languages, Business sector, Geographical preferences, **Duration and period of the exchange**, and Selection of IO and submission. Below the progress bar, a green header reads: "\* Please specify your preferred length of the exchange (in months):". Underneath is a dropdown menu with "Please select" and a blue arrow. To the right, a grey box contains the text: "Duration of the stay abroad: 1-6 months, with the possibility to spread the stay over a maximum of 12 months."

Please note that if your application is accepted for the selected length, it is not a guarantee that the exchange you will propose will be accepted for this period.

### ***Specify your preferred periods for the exchange***

The exchange period is one of the main criterion for a suitable match. The more flexible you are the greater choice you will have in finding a host entrepreneur.

The screenshot shows a green header: "\* Please specify the months in which you will be available for the exchange:". Below it is a list of months from November 2012 to December 2013, each with an unchecked checkbox. To the right, a grey box contains the text: "The more flexible you can be, the more chance there is to find a good match." At the bottom right are three buttons: "Previous", "Next", and "Save draft". At the bottom left, a small note says: "\* = mandatory fields".

Note that the selection of months done at this step will have an influence on the range of Intermediary Organisations among which you will have to choose one at the last step. Should you like to register with a specific Intermediary Organisation, please make sure that the months selected do not exceed the contract end date of that organisation. Please contact the IO you would like to register with and request this date upfront to know which months you can select.

## Selection of an Intermediary Organisation and submission

212 Intermediary Organisations/Local contact points have been officially appointed by the European Commission to establish contacts between new and host entrepreneurs. The selected Intermediary Organisation should be active in your country of “**permanent residence**” defined by the programme as:

- The place where the company of the applicant is registered, if the applicant has a registered company; if a company has several establishments in different EU Member States or other participating countries, the entrepreneur should choose one of the countries as permanent residence;
- The place where the applicant has spent **183 days** or more in the course of the last **12 months**, if the applicant does not have a registered company.

If you live in a country without an active Intermediary Organisation, you may choose another one close to your country.

The chosen Intermediary Organisation is responsible for recruiting; establishing contacts between you and your preferred host entrepreneur and for helping you prepare your exchange. It will act as guide and contact throughout the entire process.

The list of Intermediary Organisations is available on the programme website [www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu](http://www.erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu) under the section “Your local contact point”.

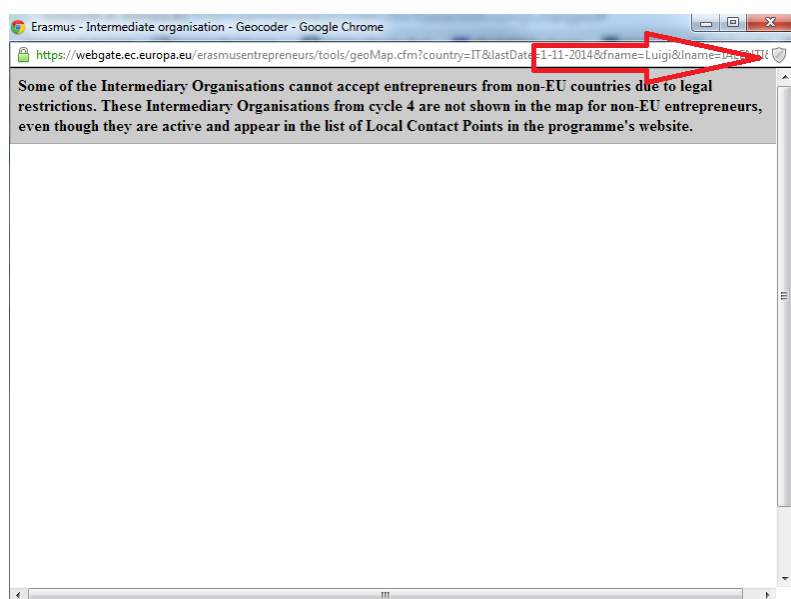
### Tips and tricks for the selection of the Intermediary Organisation

**Note:** the list of organisations available to be selected will depend on the preferred periods for the exchange that you have selected in the previous step. If you select dates too far in the future, the Intermediary Organisation that you might wish to choose could be unavailable for selection as they might not be active during that period.

Please verify first that your browser is a compatible one, and the pop-ups are enabled.

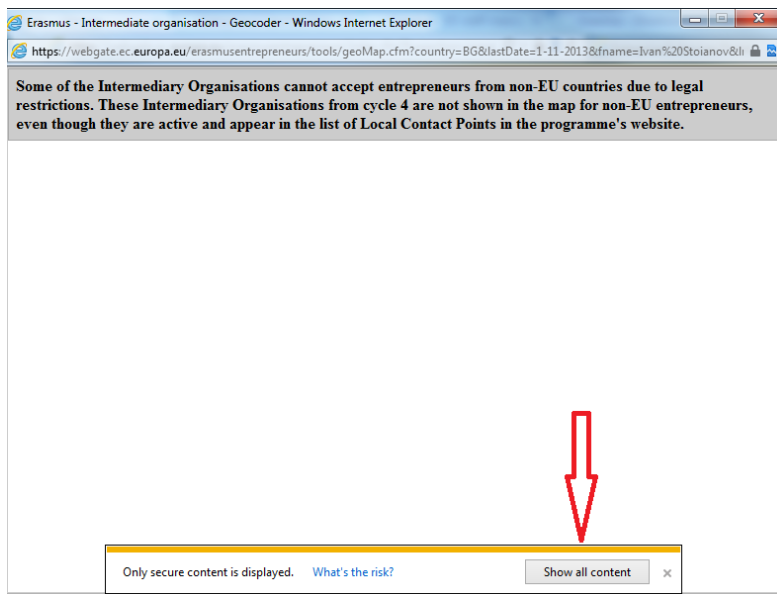
Look carefully at all dialog boxes and questions you may receive and click "Yes" to accept the display of all contents.

E.g. Google Chrome



Click on the small shield icon and select the option which permits the download of the unsafe script. A Geomap will open subsequently and you will be able to select an Intermediary Organisation.

E.g. Internet Explorer



Click on the "Show all content". A Geomap will open subsequently and you will be able to select an Intermediary Organisation.

If despite this, you cannot complete the step "Select your IO", it may be due to one of the following situations:

#### *Situation 1*

*You receive the message "No Intermediary Organisation found"*

Please verify that your address and country are correctly selected on the second tab.

#### *Situation 2*

*If you click on the field "Select an IO", the geomap is displaying correctly but you can see only part of the IOs and not the one you want to select.*

The reason for this is that the exchange months you selected at a previous step exceed the period during which the respective IO will be visible to the public. You have to contact your IO and ask for the "activity end date" of their organisation and then fill in the availability period again with months until the one specified by your IO.



## Choose your Intermediary Organisation

Registration steps: Welcome > Your profile > Motivation > Languages > Business sector > Geographical preferences > Duration and period of the exchange > **Please select an IO and submission**

Please select an IO:

No IO selected. [Select an IO](#)




You must choose one of the IOs officially appointed to establish contacts between NEEs and HEs. The IOs should be active in your country or region of residence, for HEs the IO has to be from the same country. The chosen IO will act as guide and contact throughout the process. For more information about the list of IOs involved in the programme, please [click here](#).


Further relevant information, include:

2000 character(s) left

How did you hear about the programme?

- ☐ Website
- ☐ Press
- ☐ Radio
- ☐ TV
- ☐ Intermediary Organisation
- ☐ Social networks (internet)
- ☐ Other

The  icon will be replaced by a  if multiple IOs are located very close to each other. In this case, click  to locate those IOs with a greater zoom factor on the map.

The  indicates the entrepreneur's home address as specified on page 2 of the application form.

## Submit or Save a Draft of your application

After completing the last page of the registration form:

Either:

⇒ **Submit** your form directly: click 'Confirm my registration' button at the bottom of the page.

Or:

⇒ **Save the form as draft** without submitting it yet (i.e. if you want to review your information first): click the 'Save as draft' hyperlink at the bottom of the page.

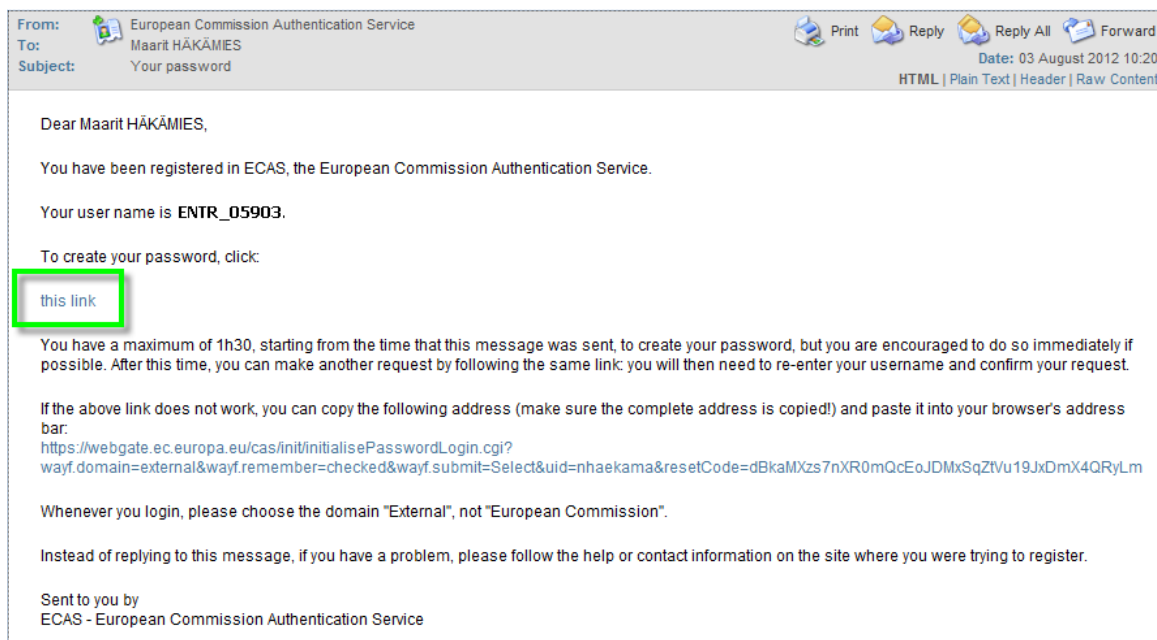
## STEP 3 – Confirm your registration

Once you have **submitted/saved as draft your application**, you will receive an automatic email from European Commission Authentication Service (ECAS) through which you are invited to set-up a password (this is **ONLY** for users who didn't have a previous ECAS account):

**Note:** If you do not receive an email from ECAS to set up your password, please go to <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/init/passwordResetRequest.cgi?> and request a new email. Please make sure that the domain on the screen says External and NOT European Commission.

To initialize your ECAS account:

1. Open the Inbox associated to the email address with which you registered to Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs in the past, and open the email message that was sent to you by European Commission Authentication Service.
2. Click the 'this link' hyperlink in the email:




### 1h30 restriction

Please note that although the instructions email mentions a standard 1h30 period for initializing your account after receiving the message, you can still click the link passed this delay. Only, you will be asked to 'make another request' for the same email address. A new instructions email will then be sent to you, with a new link to press in order to set your password.

On the New password page, enter a password of your choice (please observe the format requirements at the bottom of the page), repeat the password in the next box and click Submit.

You are prompted to set a password:

Contact | Privacy Statement | English (en)



**EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUTHENTICATION SERVICE (ECAS)**

**External**

EUROPA > Authentication Service > New password

[Login](#) [New password](#) [Sign Up](#) [Help](#)

! Is the selected domain correct? **External** [Change it](#)

## New password

Please choose your new password.

Username

New password \*

Confirm new password \*

\* Required fields

Passwords cannot include your username and must contain at least 10 characters chosen from at least three of the following four character groups (white space permitted):

- ▶ Upper Case: A to Z
- ▶ Lower Case: a to z
- ▶ Numeric: 0 to 9
- ▶ Special Characters: !"#\$%&'()\*+,-./:;<=>?@[\]^\_`{|}~

Examples:

[\[Generate other sample passwords\]](#)

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Enter a password of your choice (please observe the format requirements at the bottom of the page), repeat the password in the next box and click 'Submit'.

The system informs you that your password has been successfully initialized. You now have a valid ECAS account, with a login name and a password of your choice. You can always use your email address as user instead of the one generated by the system.

## LOG IN TO THE APPLICATION

If you **saved your application form as draft**, you will also receive an email informing that you have to login to the application to resume and complete the registration.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We received your DRAFT subscription to ERASMUS for young Entrepreneurs Programme.

To retrieve your entries and complete your subscription, just login to the IT tool and resume the registration through:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs>

To connect you need to use your ECAS login & password. For more information on ECAS (European Commission Authentication Service) please visit:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/login>

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c/o EUROCHAMBRES  
Avenue des Arts, 19 A/D ; B-1000 Brussels, Belgium  
Tel: +32 (0)2 282 08 73  
e-mail: [support@erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu](mailto:support@erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu)

Use your email address and ECAS password to login to the page containing your draft application details, complete the form as necessary and then click 'Submit' when you are ready.

If/when you **have submitted your application**, you will receive an email asking you to LOG IN to the application in order to confirm your registration to the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme:

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Please do not reply to this email address. This is a no-reply address and your email will not be treated. Instead, please address your email to the contact detailed below

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Dear [Title] [Last name],

After confirmation of your ECAS account, you can now complete your registration for the ERASMUS for young Entrepreneurs Programme by connecting to the application via the following link (THIS IS A COMPULSORY STEP TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION):

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs>

To connect you need to use your ECAS login & password:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/cas/login>

Your application will now be processed by your Intermediary Organisation (IO) for validation. Your IO will contact you in the coming days.

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**LOG IN to the application via the respective link. Failing to Log In, your registration will not be complete.**

After you submit your application and you log in, you automatically receive the status '**Applied**'. At this stage, you do not have access to the online catalogue of profiles to search for a business partner. This status only means that your application has been received and is currently being treated by your Intermediary Organisation.

An IT user's manual is available in the "**Help**" section of the online database to help using the tool.

Within a maximum of 2 weeks of receipt of application, your IO has to perform an initial check and take action accordingly. You will be automatically informed by email about any change of your application status.

Possible statuses:

- **Accepted** → your application fulfils all programme requirements and you should be granted to the online catalogue;
- **On Hold** → important information is missing or application is unclear;
- **Back to Applicant** → your selected IO is not in a position to accept entrepreneurs or the IO is terminating its contract;
- **Refused** → your application is inappropriate or irrelevant.

If your Intermediary Organization considers that some key elements are still missing in your application, you will be automatically notified by email that your application has been put "On hold". Your Intermediary Organization will contact you separately either by phone or by email requesting the lacking information in your application (business plan etc...). You should provide this information within a delay of **6 weeks maximum**. If this information is not provided on time, your application will be rejected. You may apply again later once you will be able to provide all information required by the programme.

Your application will be deleted if it contains irrelevant data, errors and/or has been submitted by mistake.

If the responsible Intermediary Organization considers that your application is of quality and that it fulfils all the programme criteria necessary, you will be notified by email that you are successfully accepted in the programme.

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Please do not reply to this email address. This is a no-reply address and your email will not be treated. Instead, please address your email to the contact detailed below

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Dear [Title] [Last name],

We are pleased to inform you that your application for the ERASMUS programme has been accepted.

Your Intermediary Organisation will contact you shortly to organise your ERASMUS exchange.

Meanwhile, you can already search in the online catalogue for a partner entrepreneur at <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs>

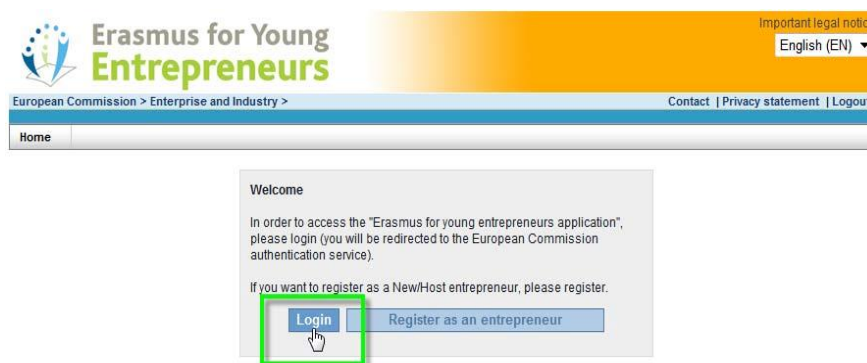
Your ECAS login & password will be required.

Please refer to the IT user's guide available in the HELP menu for further help and assistance.

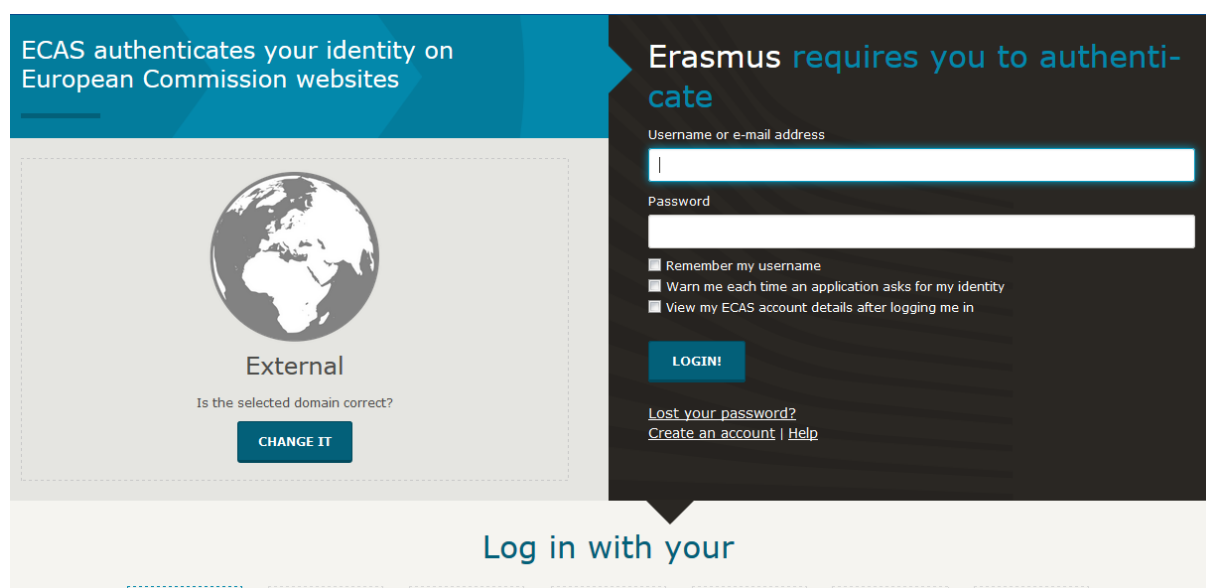
## STEP 4 – Starting the Erasmus IT Management Tool

To start the Erasmus IT Management Tool:

- Open the Erasmus IT Management Tool login page (as specified in the email notification):  
<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs/>
- Click 'Login'



- Enter your email address and ECAS password, and click **Login!**



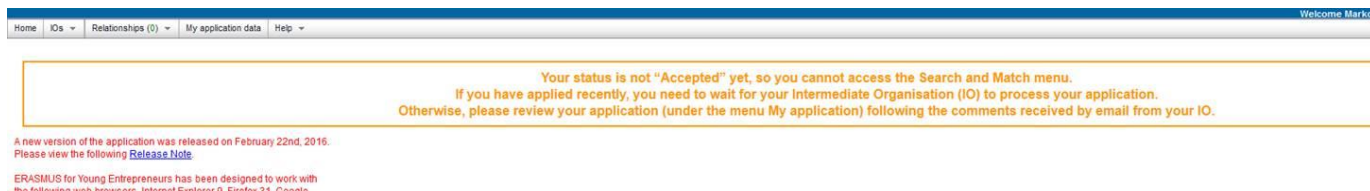
Please check that the correct 'domain' is displayed above the Username and Password boxes. **External** is required for people outside the European Commission. If necessary, click **Change it** hyperlink and select the appropriate domain. Login will fail if you do not select the correct domain.

The home page of the Erasmus IT Management Tool appears. Please refer to the Erasmus IT Tool User Manual (under section Help in the IT Tool) for detailed information about how to use IT Tool.

The first time you log in a message saying:  
*Your status is not "Accepted" yet, so you cannot access the Search and Match menu.*

*If you have applied recently, you need to wait for your Intermediate Organisation (IO) to process your application.*

*Otherwise, please review your application (under the menu My application) following the comments received by email from your IO.*



In the meantime, you can edit your application data and change your IO if needed.

## How to review your application?

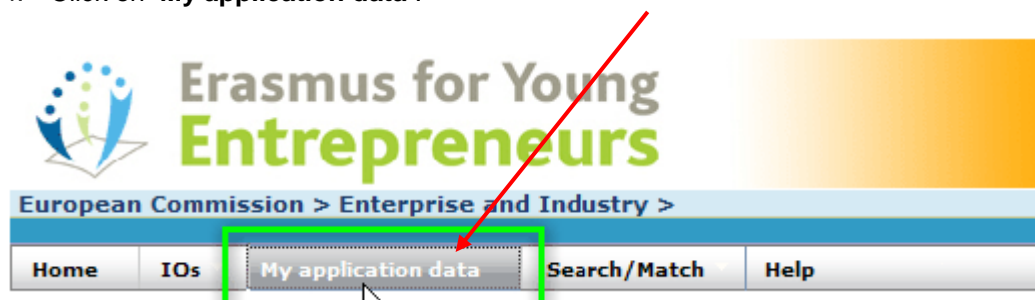
Status and possible actions with the application:

**Accepted** – if the entrepreneur wishes to modify his personal data (except name and email) and CV or business plan he has to do so by contacting his Intermediary Organisation. No other actions can be done.

**Applied, On Hold, Back to Applicant, Floating** – the entrepreneur has limited access to the IT tool, where he can change his personal application details (except name and email).


**Refused** – the entrepreneur has no access and can only ask for deletion of his data after the usual period of audit.

1. Go to the webgate: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs/>
2. Click on “**Login**”
3. You will be redirected to ECAS, enter username or e-mail address and password. Click on ‘Login!’
4. Click on ‘**My application data**’:



5. This will display a copy of the multiple page application form.





# Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs

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Welcome

Welcome to the registration form to participate. The information you enter into this multi-page form will be stored in a database. The information you enter into this multi-page form will be stored in a database. The information you enter into this multi-page form will be stored in a database.

Do you want to register as a NEW or a HOST entrepreneur?: ☐ New entrepreneur ☐ Host entrepreneur

**Title:** Mrs

**Last name:** GUÉBEL

**First name:** Martine

**Organisation name:** EcoLinguae

**Address:** Clos des nénup

**Postal code:** B-1341

**City:** Céroux-Mousty

**Country:** Belgium

**Phone:** +32 10402709

**Fax:** +32 10402709

**Email:** [contact@ecolinguae.be](mailto:contact@ecolinguae.be)

**Website:** [www.ecolinguae.be](http://www.ecolinguae.be)

Motivation

Please indicate why you wish to participate in the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs programme and state your expectations. (Up to 200 words):

My intention is to start a business in the field of hydraulic technology. I wish to find an established company manufacturing certain highly specialised components for use under heavy load conditions. Interested partners would be willing to consider integrating these components into our hydraulic check valves.

Please upload your CV (Europass CV format):

Please give a short overview of your plans to start a business: (a) check innovative design and component envisaged customer target group (c) activities planned for the first 12 months after the start-up. (Up to 400 words):

Please upload your business plan. (This information will only be available to your chosen IO, not to other entrepreneurs.):

Experience in running a business (in years): 0

Previous working experience (number of months): 0.5

Business sector

Please specify your main business sector: Industrial machinery production, installation, repair and maintenance

Please specify your secondary business sectors, if any: Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural products and services; Industrial machinery production, installation, repair and maintenance; Water distribution, Sewage, refuse, cleaning and environmental services

Geographical preferences

Please indicate your preferred country for the exchange: France

Please indicate other possible countries for the exchange: France Greece Italy Malta Portugal Spain

Duration and period of the exchange

Please specify your preferred length of the exchange (in months): 2

Please specify the months in which you will be available for the exchange: August 2009 September 2009 October 2009 November 2009 December 2009

Selection of IO and submission

Please select your intermediate organisation (IO): [France] IO011 Chambre de Commerce et d'Industrie de Paris

Further relevant information, including special requirements or wishes, hobbies, etc.: Preferably a company with experience in selling components to African or South American countries

The collected personal data (name, address, e-mail) is intended for the express purpose of organising the event. This information may be disseminated electronically or on paper and confirmed to other participants in the interest of facilitating communication among them, as well as for the promotion of future events on this subject or on similar subjects. This registration procedure is subject to [data privacy rules](#) and is executed in compliance with Regulation (EC) 402001 on the data protection of personal data and the processing thereof. A [privacy policy statement](#) specifies how your data will be used. If you want to exert your right to access, modify, rectify or delete your personal data please contact us. Complaints, in case of conflict, can be addressed to the European Data Protection Supervisor (<http://www.edps.europa.eu>).

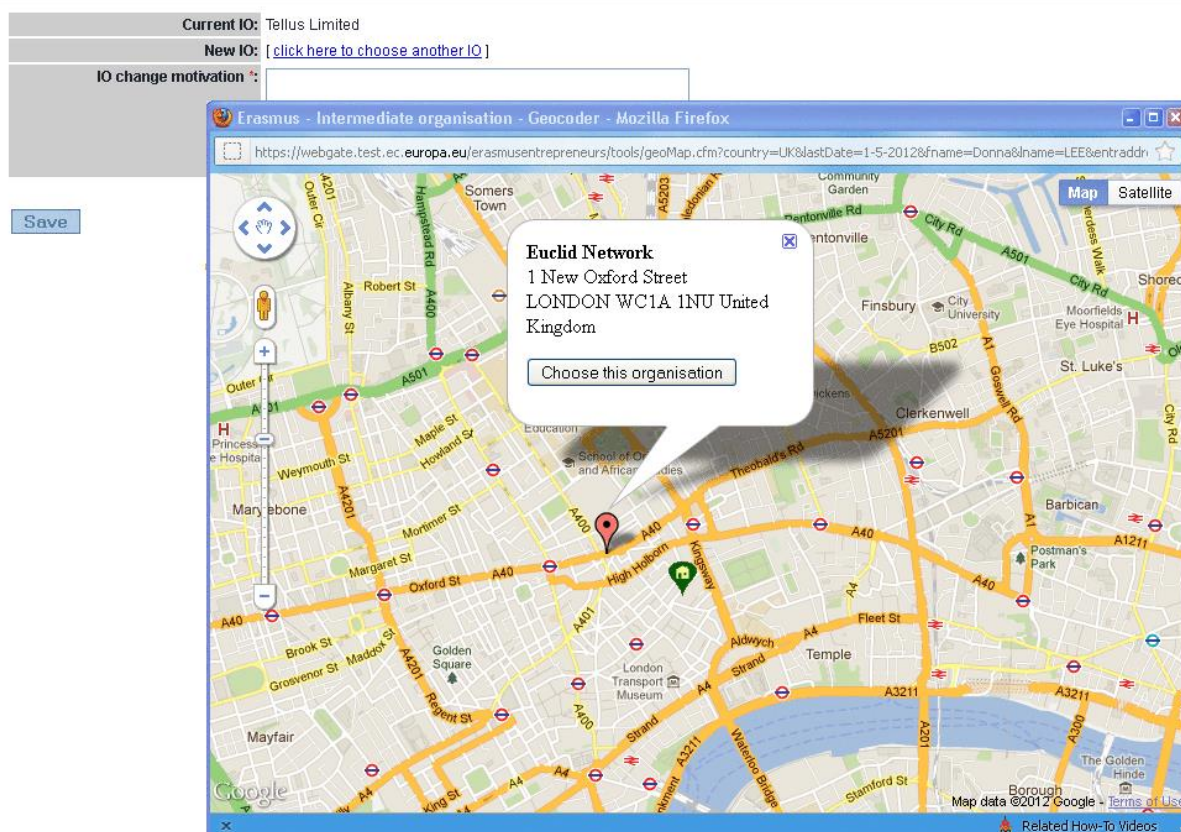
## How to change your Intermediary Organisation?

1. Go to the webgate: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs/>
2. Click on **“Login”**
3. You will be redirected to ECAS, enter username or e-mail address and password. Click on 'Login!'
4. From the Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs menu, select IOs > Change IO.



5. Click the 'Click here to choose another IO' hyperlink on the *Change your IO page*.
6. Select the desired IO on the online map and click 'Choose this organisation':

### Change your IO



7. Click 'Save'.

## How to change or recover your password?

1. Go to the webgate: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/erasmusentrepreneurs/>
2. Click on **“Login”**. You will be redirected to ECAS. Please click on **“Lost your password?”**

ECAS authenticates your identity on European Commission websites

Erasmus requires you to authenticate

Username or e-mail address

Password

☐ Remember my username

☐ Warn me each time an application asks for my identity

☐ View my ECAS account details after logging me in

**LOGIN!**

[Lost your password?](#)

[Create an account](#) | [Help](#)

Log in with your

3. You will be prompted to enter your e-mail and a verification code

EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUTHENTICATION SERVICE (ECAS)

EUROPA > Authentication Service > New password

External

Is the selected domain correct?

**CHANGE IT**

**New password**

Username or e-mail address

Confirm username or e-mail address

Enter the code

**GET A PASSWORD**

[New password](#) | [Create an account](#) | [Help](#) | [Login](#)

5. A message saying that you will soon receive an e-mail to set up a new password is shown:

[Login](#)
[New password](#)
[Sign Up](#)
[Help](#)

! Is the selected domain correct? [External](#) [Change it](#)

## New password

In the next few minutes, you will receive an e-mail containing a link to this site.  
If you need assistance, use [this link](#) to go to the contact page.

6. You will receive an e-mail with a link to set up a new password. Please click on the link:

Dear [First name] [Last name],

You have requested a reset of your ECAS password. You can do this by following the link below, preferably immediately - but a maximum of 5m after this message was sent. You should therefore follow the link before 12/07/2013 11:47 GMT+02:00.

<link>

If the above mentioned link does not work, you can copy-paste it (without any line break) in your browser address bar.

If you did not make or authorise this request yourself, it may be due to a typing error by another user. To cancel the request, please click [here](#).

If this message was delayed or for some other reason you are unable to complete the rest of the process within 5m, please return [here](#) to make another request.

If you suspect that someone else is trying to obtain or reset your password, please report this to your local support desk.

Sent to you by  
The ECAS automated password reset service

7. You will be prompted to enter a new password. Click on "Submit" when finished:

[Login](#)
[New password](#)
[Sign Up](#)
[Help](#)

! Is the selected domain correct? [External](#) [Change it](#)

## New password

Please choose your new password.

Username

New password \*

Confirm new password \*

\* Required fields

Passwords cannot include your username and must contain at least 8 characters chosen from at least three of the following four character groups (white space permitted):

- ▶ Upper Case: A to Z
- ▶ Lower Case: a to z
- ▶ Numeric: 0 to 9
- ▶ Special Characters: !"#\$%&'()\*+,-./:;<=>?@[\\]^\_`{|}~

Examples:

[\[Generate other sample passwords\]](#)

8. You will receive a confirmation message. If you click on “Proceed” you will be redirected to Erasmus:

[Login](#) [New password](#) [Sign Up](#) [Help](#)

! Is the selected domain correct? [External](#) [Change it](#)

## New password

Your ECAS password was successfully changed.

Click **Proceed** below to continue to **erasmusentrepreneurs**

**Proceed**

## Advice and assistance

Please contact your Intermediary Organisation for any further information you may have about the registration process.

For issues regarding **functioning of the Erasmus IT Management Tool**, please contact the Erasmus Support Office at:

Email: [support@erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu](mailto:support@erasmus-entrepreneurs.eu)

Tel: +32 2 282 0873