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Capacity Building in Higher Education

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Former programmes:

- TEMPUS
- ALFA
- EDULINK
- ASIA LINK
- ERASMUS MUNDUS

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Objectives

- Improve the **quality** of **higher education** and enhance its **relevance** for the **labour market** and **society**
- Improve the level of **competences** and **skills** in HEIs by developing new and **innovative education programmes**
- Enhance the **management, governance** and **innovation capacities**, as well as the **internationalisation** of HEIs
- Increase the capacities of **national authorities** to modernise their **higher education systems**, by supporting to the definition, implementation and monitoring of **reform policies**
- Foster **regional integration** and **cooperation** across different regions of the world through joint initiatives, sharing of good practices and cooperation

Eligible Countries

- 33 Programme Countries: EU28, FL, IS, NO, MK, TR
- About 150 Partner Countries:
 - Region 1: Western Balkans (16 projects)
 - Region 2: Eastern Partnership countries (UA: please contact the NEO) (17 projects)
 - Region 3: South-Mediterranean countries (LY and SY just as partners!) (36 projects)
 - Region 4: Territory of Russia (just as partner + need of a 2nd Partner Country!) (8 projects)
 - Region 6: Asia (not the industrialised countries!) (45 projects)
 - Region 7: Central Asia (11 projects)
 - Region 8: Latin America (16 projects)
 - Region 9: Middle East (2 projects + 1 project just IR)
 - Region 10: South Africa (4 projects)
 - Region 11: ACP countries (8 projects)
- In total : 164 projects with € 131,47 Mio.

Priorities

- IMPORTANT: project idea ➔ national/regional priorities of the Partner Countries
if not: NO funding
- 4 Categories of national/regional priorities:
 - A: Subject areas (for Curriculum Development)
 - **B: Improving quality of education and teaching (always!)**
 - C: Improving management and operation of HEI
 - D: Developing the Higher Education sector within society at large
- List of the priorities is on the webpage of the EACEA

Project Typs

- **Joint Projects (JP):**

focus on the institutional level in the Higher Education

- modernisation of curriculum by developing new and innovative courses and methodologies (A&B)
- modernisation of governance, management and functioning of higher education (B&C)
- strengthening of relations between higher education and the wider economic and social environment (B&D)

- **Structural Projects (SP):**

focus on the level of the Higher Education **systems**

- modernisation of governance, management and functioning of higher education (B&C)
- strengthening of relations between higher education and the wider economic and social environment (B&D)
- **relevant ministry of each targeted Partner Country must be involved**

Additional mobility is possible ...

- for projects with the Western Balkans, the Eastern Partnership countries and the South-Mediterranean countries
- for students and staff à la International Credit Mobility (KA1)
- has to be part of the project but additional budget
- between Partner Countries and between Programme and Partner Countries
- mobility has to have an added value and an innovative character
- project targets must still be reachable without these mobilities!

Consortium

- at least 3 HEIs from 3 different Programme Countries
- HEI from Partner Countries \geq HEI from Programme Countries!!!
 - but at least 2 HEI from each Partner Country (exceptions: e.g. just 1 HEI existing!)
- Latin America: at least 2 LA Countries have to be involved
- Russia: additional Partner Country is needed
- Structural Projects: relevant authority of each targeted Partner Country has to be part of the project
- positive for the project: invite companies & businesses, NGOs, students associations, ...

Duration & Budget

- Duration: 2 or 3 years
- Budget:
 - € 500.000 - € 1 Mio. € for the project
 - additional budget for mobilities for Region 1-3, if relevant (see above)

Eligible Costs

Staff costs (max. 40%) Unit costs	manager; researcher/teacher/trainer; technician; administrative staff
Travel costs Unit costs	travel to the countries involved
Costs of stay Unit costs	costs of subsistence, accommodation health insurance,...
Equipment (max. 30%) Real costs	for HEIs in Partner Countries only
Sub-contracting (max. 10%) Real costs	for competencies which cannot be covered by the consortium, e.g. financial audit, external QA

Award Criteria

- Relevance of the project (max. 30 points → at least 15 points needed)
- Quality of the project design and implementation (max. 30 points)
- Quality of the project team and the cooperation arrangements (max. 20 points)
- Impact and sustainability (max. 20 points)
- **for funding: min. 60 points needed**
- Additional mobility (Reion 1-3): Quality of the design and implementation of the Special Mobility Action (max. 10 Punkte → at least 5 points needed)

Deadline & Execution

- Deadline:
 - **10th February 2016, 12.00 CET** to the EACEA in Brussels
 - max. 3 projects for each call from the same coordinating HEI can be **funded**
 - start of the projects: 15th October 2016
- Execution:
 - centralised action – EACEA in Brussels is responsible
 - NA in Programme Countries are supporting
 - NEOs in the ex-TEMPUS Countries are supporting and monitoring

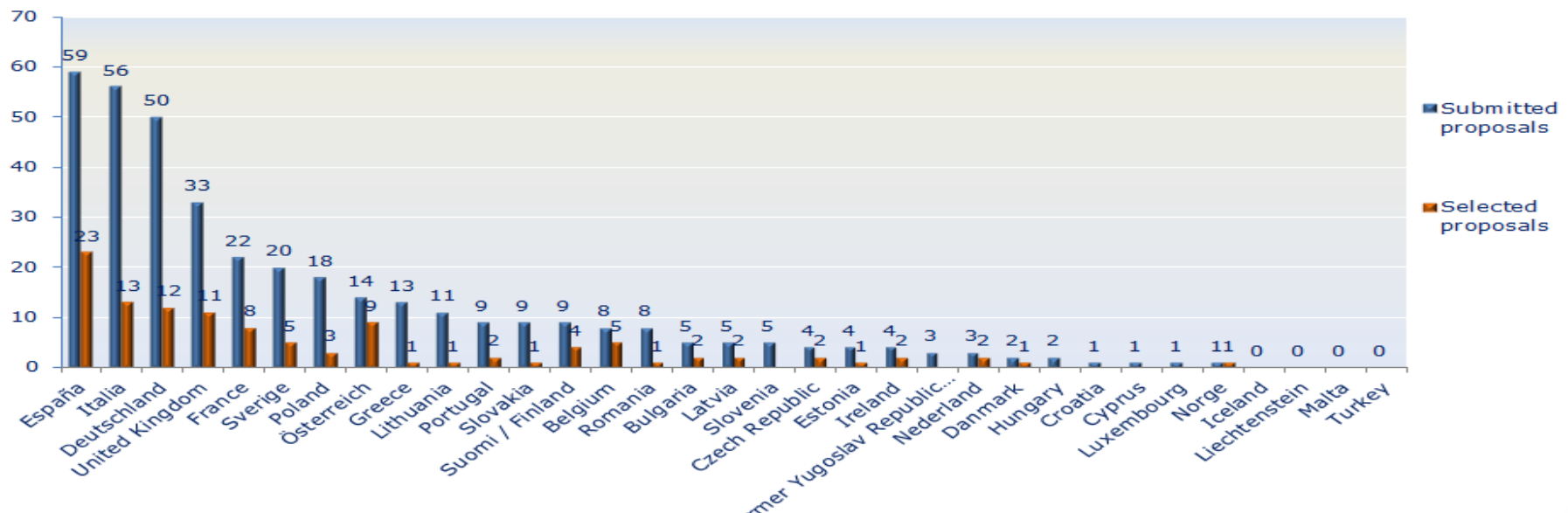
Some Facts concerning Call 2015 (Source: EACEA)

- 515 applications but just 452 eligible projects
- 140 selected projects:
 - 122 Joint Projects and 28 Structural Projects
 - 53 National Projects and 87 Multi-country Project
 - average consortium size: 12 partners (min. 6 – max. 34)
 - average budget: 880.000
- Reasons for ineligible projects:
 - minimum number of HEIs required not respected for the project
 - missing Ministries for higher education in Structural Project
 - wrong / missing mandates related to partners; applicants contacted for correction and no reply received
 - applicant not having the profile required for eligible organisations
 - incomplete applications

Some Figures – Call 2015 (Source: EACEA):



Number of applications coordinated by Programme Countries (Submitted / Selected proposals)



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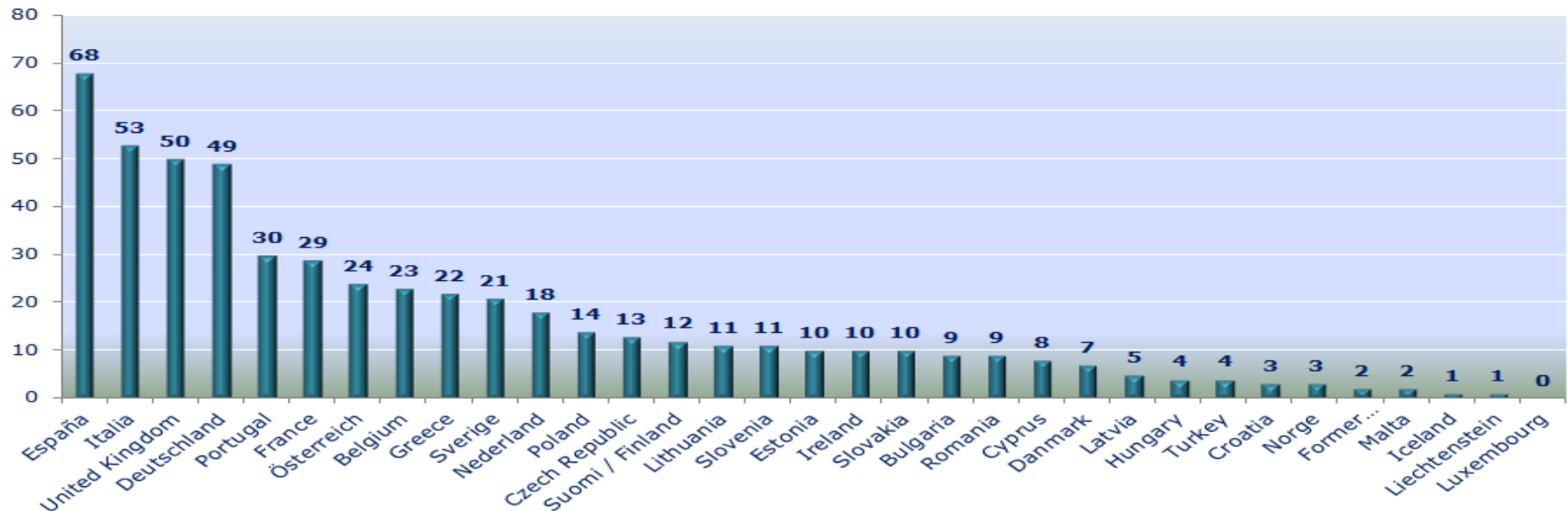
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Participation of Programme Countries as coordinator or partner in Selected proposals*



**Total number of project in which the country is involved as coordinator or partner in selected proposals*

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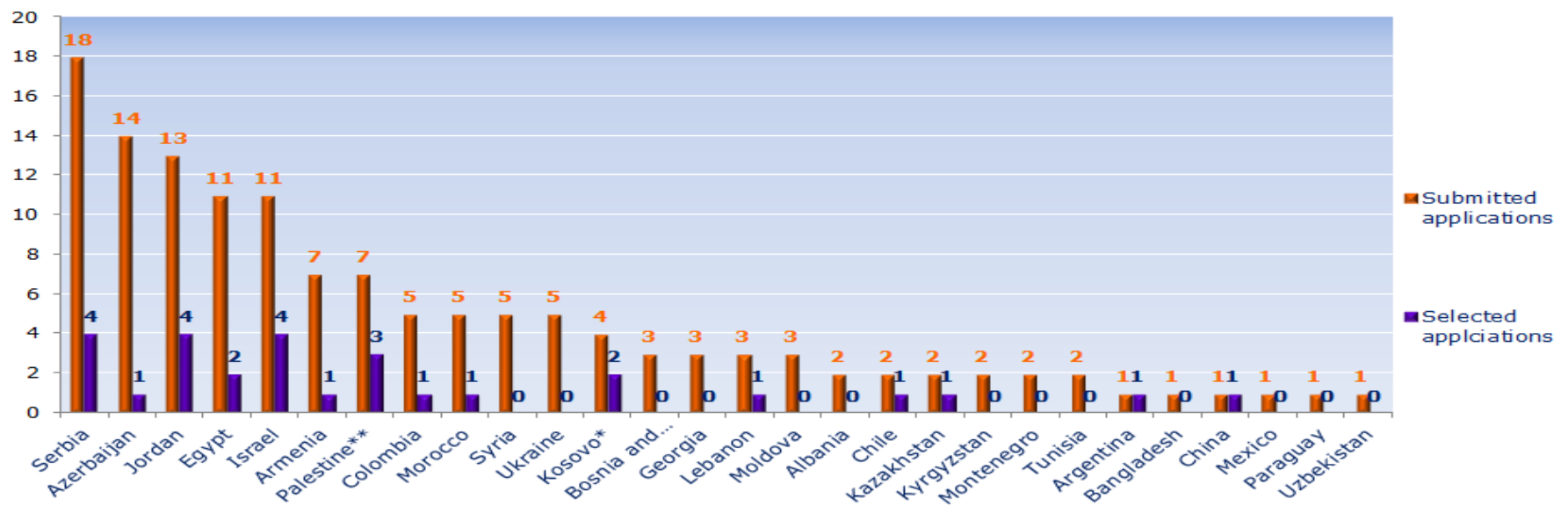
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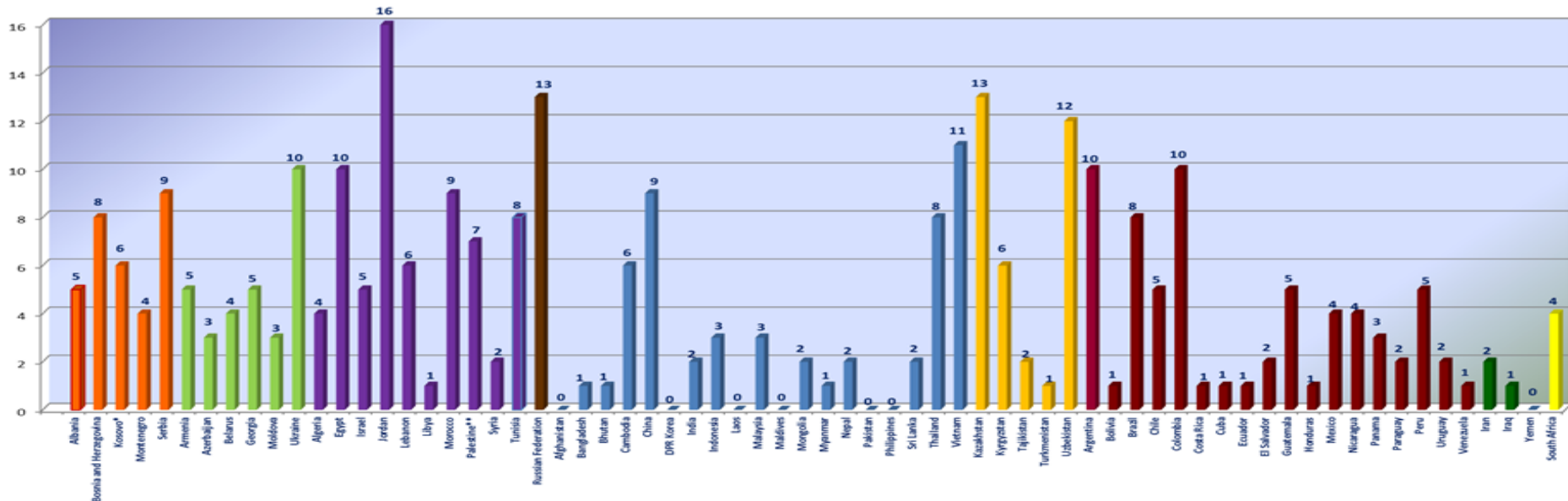
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Red = WB; Green = EP; Violet = SM; Blue = Asia; Orange = CA; Dark Red = LA; Dark Green = ILY; Yellow = SA



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Thank you for your attention!
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☺ Good luck! ☺

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