



# Funding towards supporting Indo-Finnish partnerships

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# 1. Funding Source: Higher Education Programme (HEP Programme)

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## About the funding

HEP supports collaboration projects between higher education institutions in Finland and in developing countries.

## Forms of cooperation

Including but not limited to development of teaching methods, trainings, courses, materials, workshops/seminars, networking, internationalization, data collection

## Primary applicant

Minimum requirement: One Finnish and one southern HEI

## Maximum support

\*700,000-1100,000 euros

## For more information

[List of countries eligible since 2023](#)

[HEP programme - for applicants](#)

[Higher Education Partnership brochure](#)

## 2. Funding Source: Team Finland Knowledge (TFK Programme)

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### About the funding

TFK supports educational cooperation projects between Finnish higher education institutions and countries in TFK network\*.

### Forms of cooperation

Including but not limited to development of joint courses, virtual teaching, joint degrees, mobility

### Primary applicant

- Finnish HEI
- Minimum requirement: One Finnish and one HEI from the TFK network country

### Maximum support

- 80,000 euros
- Covers travel and organizational costs

### For more information

[TFK programme](#)

\*Countries in TFK network – China, India, Russia, Southern Africa, Southeast Asia, and Latin America

### 3. Funding Source: Nordic Centre India (NCI)

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#### About the funding

NCI supports academic activities involving at least two NCI member universities and at least 1 Indian higher education and research institution.

#### Forms of cooperation

Including but not limited to joint research projects, conferences, networking activities.

#### Primary applicant

- Doctoral level researchers and above in NCI member universities

#### Maximum support

- 5000 euros maximum per project
- Recurrence: Two times a year

#### For more information

[NCI Academic Activity/Collaboration Grant](#)

## 4. Funding Source: Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE)

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### About the funding

CBHE supports international cooperation projects based on multilateral partnerships between HEIs. It focuses on equity, inclusion, strengthening of systems and capacities at HEIs.\*

### Forms of cooperation

Various activities can be taken up under 3 strands –

- i. Fostering access to cooperation in higher education
- ii. Partnerships for transformation in higher education
- iii. Structural reform projects (national authority must be involved in projects under this strand)

### Primary applicant

- The funding can be accessed by institutions in eligible third countries not associated to the Erasmus programme.
- Multi-country projects with institutions from EU region and non-associated countries.

### Maximum support

- Duration of projects must be between 24-36 months
- Projects under strand 3 can last until 48 months
- Funding varies from 200,000-1,000,000 euros across the three strands

### For more information

[Capacity Building in Higher Education](#)  
(Details page 292 onwards.)

## 5. Funding Source: Indian Council of Social Science Research, India

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### About the funding

ICSSR supports individual and collaborative projects on social science or interdisciplinary research. Funding available for [research projects](#) and [research programmes](#).

### Forms of cooperation

Including but not limited to data collection, international seminars abroad/India, cultural exchange programmes.

### Primary applicant

- Indian HEI

### Maximum support

- Value of funding varies with the purpose for which funds will be used and the funding modality\*.

### For more information

[ICSSR research programme](#)

[ICSSR research project](#)

\*Funding available for organizing events, publication, research projects and programmes

## 6. Funding Source: NCERT, Educational Research and Innovations Committee (ERIC)

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### About the funding

ERIC provide financial support to faculty members working in universities, research organisations, NCERT for conducting research related to school education and teacher education.

### Forms of cooperation

Policy research in education, qualitative, quantitative and participative studies, case studies, inter-disciplinary research

### Primary applicant

- Researcher(s) in an Indian HEI or research organisation

### Maximum support

- Amount not mentioned
- Funding towards equipment, printing, local travel, development of research tools

### For more information

[Educational Research and Innovations Committee](#)

## 7. Funding Source: Global initiative of Academic Network (GIAN), India

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### About the funding

Supports faculty members in HEIs to develop and deliver courses with minimum 12-14 lecture hours over 5 days and maximum 24-28 hours over 10 days.

### Forms of cooperation

Minimum 60% of course must be taught by a foreign faculty.  
Preference given to courses which can be converted to MOOCs.

### Primary applicant

- Central or state universities in India
- Faculty from universities or research organisations abroad can submit a proposal too after receiving an invitation from the host faculty.

### Maximum support

- 8000 USD paid for 12-14 lecture hours
- 12000 USD paid for 24-28 lecture hours

### For more information

[Guidelines for proposal submission](#)

[Global initiative of Academic Network](#)

[Form for submitting the proposal](#)



## More details and links:

1. For a brief background on higher education institution landscape in India, you may refer to this report -> [Mapping of potential funding sources for research-based IndoFinnish collaborations in the field of education development](#)
2. For more details on Erasmus funding opportunities, please refer here -> [All instructions for applying for funding in the Erasmus+ programme compiled on one page](#)
3. For a list of low-and middle-income countries defined by OECD refer here -> [DAC List of ODA Recipients](#) This list is relevant to check a country's eligibility for participation in an Erasmus+ funded project.
4. For more queries regarding links and fundings, reach out at [bdeepti@jyu.fi](mailto:bdeepti@jyu.fi).



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