



**European
Engineering Learning Innovation
& Science Alliance**

**EELISA charter for automatic mutual recognition of higher education
qualifications and learning outcomes abroad**

Considering that « learning mobility fosters knowledge, skills, competences and experiences, including personal and social competences and cultural awareness, that are crucial for active participation in society and the labour market, as well as for the promotion a European identity »¹, the partners of the European Engineering Learning Innovation Science Alliance (EELISA) intend to organize the automatic recognition of qualifications gained by their students as part of EELISA activities in order to increase the cooperation between the partners, promote the internationalization of their curricula, enhance the intercultural skills of their students and staff in education, as well as research and innovation and reduce the administrative burden.

Therefore,

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Université Paris Sciences et Lettres (PSL)

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undertake to apply or be guided by the following precepts in organising the mutual recognition of the academic activities of the alliance:

¹ Recommendation on the promotion of automatic mutual recognition of higher education and upper secondary education diplomas and the outcomes of learning periods abroad, 26 November 2018



Article 1 – Students and Learners

This concerns

- all students taking courses within the EELISA joint catalogue or EELISA degree, as well as
- all students or learners participating in so-called « EELISA activities » as part of their curriculum and willing to gain:
 - an EELISA credential, or
 - an EELISA supplement.

Article 2 – EELISA credential

An EELISA credential can be issued to all learners who are active in an "EELISA community" by participating in activities (courses, challenges, seasonal schools...).

The award will be made by measuring learning outcomes, defined by the following factors:

- knowledge in science related to the sustainable development goals that EELISA wants to address,
- working in an intercultural and interdisciplinary environment,
- teamwork and foreign languages.

The learner will have to demonstrate these learning outcomes through the constitution of a portfolio.

Physical mobility is not mandatory, but mobility, at least virtual, is a requirement.

Article 3 - EELISA supplement

An EELISA supplement is issued by EELISA. It can be attached to a bachelor or a master or equivalent degree.

The student should obtain at least 10% of the ECTS required to obtain the diploma achieved in mobility (can be accumulated or carried out in one go) by:

- doing an internship (at least 2 months),
- and/or
- studying abroad (e.g. EELISA week, seasonal school, 1 full semester courses or internship),



and/or

- participating in an activity linked to a community (courses, challenges, seasonal schools...),

and/or

- validating courses of the EELISA joint catalogue

The EELISA supplement is attached to the diploma delivered by the home institution. It is issued automatically and free of charge in a widely used language and, where possible, in digital format.

Article 4 - EELISA double degrees and EELISA degree

The EELISA master/engineering diploma will be submitted for accreditation. Before EELISA degree can be delivered, students will obtain a double or multiple degree involving two or more EELISA partner institutions.

Students who complete the whole EELISA degree programme and successfully achieve learning outcomes earn the degree awarded by their home institution, as well as the degree awarded by the other EELISA institutions as long as the EELISA degree is accredited by national and European institutions.

The student will obtain the EELISA master/engineering degree if he/she

- does an international mobility for a minimum amount of 60 ECTS (studying and/or internship),
- does an internship,
- learns English and one other foreign language.

Virtual and blended mobility or education-blocks (short-term mobility periods) are taken into account for international mobility criterion.

Article 5 - EELISA joint catalogue

The EELISA consortium delivers a course catalogue with descriptions of degree programs, single educational units and grade distribution tables, that can lead to the award of European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) credits to their students.

Each activity is described in the joint catalogue validated by the Academic and Scientific Board. These activities are confirmed in the transcript of records according to the requirements of the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System.

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Each semester will be composed of 30 ECTS.

Article 6 – Automatic recognition

EELISA partner institutions deliver transparent criteria for recognition that are applied throughout each higher education institution.

The above-mentioned ECTS credits earned by the students as part of EELISA activities in one of the EELISA partner institutions are automatically and fully recognized by the others even if they are earned at a partner institution other than the home institution (similar to ERASMUS+ program regulations).

All credits earned during the study abroad period or during the virtual mobility – as agreed in the learning agreement and confirmed by the transcript of records – should be transferred directly and count towards the students' degree without any additional student workload or assessment being required (similar to ERASMUS+ program regulations).

The degree shall not be awarded to the student until each of the institutions involved in the academic path taken by the student has specified that the requirements of each institution have been fulfilled. Neither the sending institution nor the receiving institution can award the degree separately.

Article 7 - Learning agreement


A learning agreement will be mandatory only when the student wants to choose a course or an activity which is not registered in the EELISA joint catalogue.

Article 8 – Duration and termination

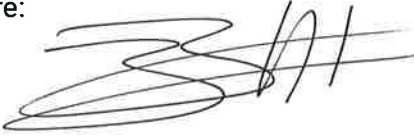
This charter shall take effect as of its signature by the representatives of each EELISA partner institution and shall remain in force for a period of five years extendible by tacit agreement for a further five years.



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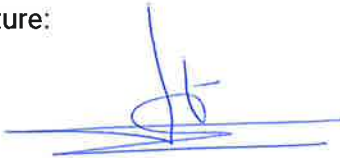
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