

The Western Balkans in the European Higher Education Area (EHEA)

**REGIONAL COOPERATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION:
HUNGARY AND WEST BALKANS**
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OVERVIEW

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Part I: Bologna process – state of play in the Western Balkans

		Albania	BiH	Croatia	Kosovo*	FYROM	Montenegro	Serbia
Bologna 3-cycle structure	legislation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	implementation	100	100	100	100	75	100	100
ECTS	legislation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	implementation	75>	75>	75>	75>	<75	75>	75>
Diploma Supplement	legislation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	implementation	75>	75>	75	75	75	75>	75>
National Qualifications Framework (NQF)	legislation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	Yes
	implementation	50	50	50	50	N/A	50	50
National Quality Assurance System	legislation	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	implementation	75	75	75	50	50	50	50

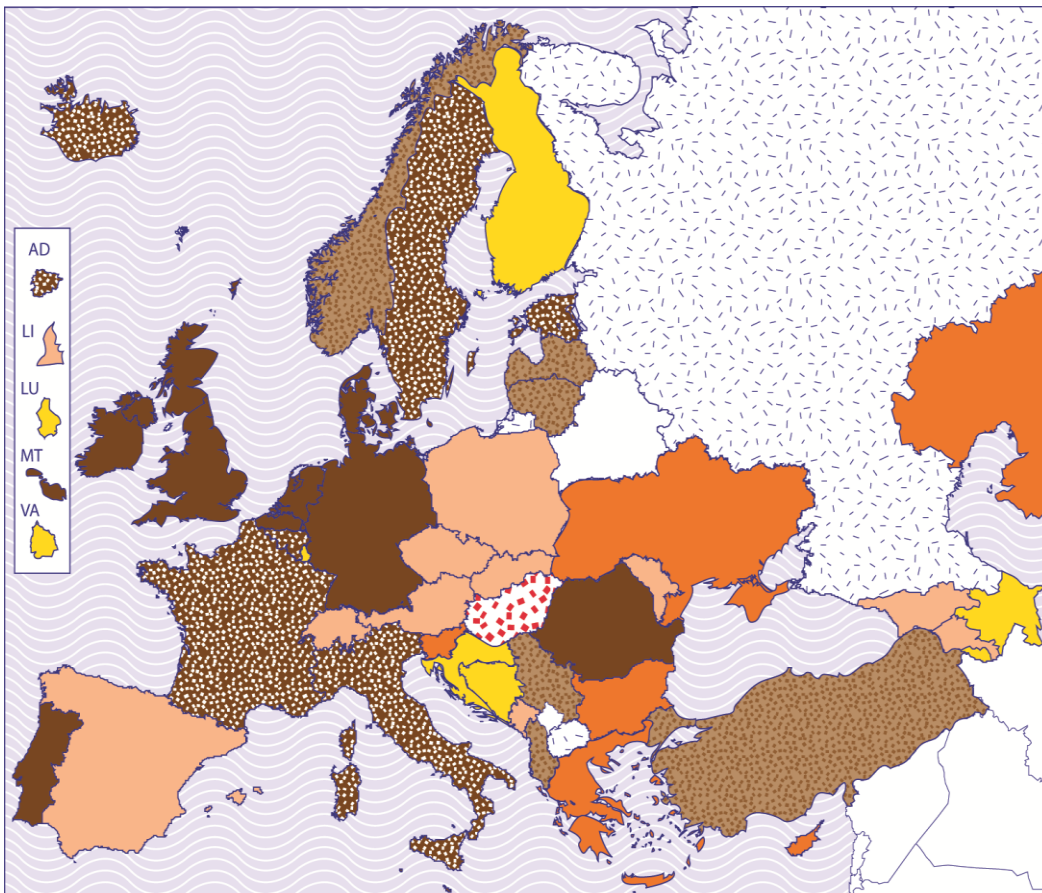
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Qualifications frameworks

Western Balkans in early stages (along with many other countries)



-  1 - 4. steps 1 to 4 (design)
-  5. Design of the NQF agreed
-  6. NQF adopted in legislation
-  7. Implementation of NQF started
-  8. Study programmes re-designed on the basis of learning outcomes
-  9. Qualifications included in the NQF
-  10. The Framework has self-certified compatibility with European Framework for Higher Education



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PART II: BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO FORMER EU-FUNDED HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

- Erasmus Mundus
- Tempus
- Marie Skłodowska-Curie
- Jean Monnet



AIM OF THE
PROGRAMMES

TARGET GROUPS

BUDGETS AND NUMBER OF PROJECTS FUNDED

Erasmus Mundus

- Action 1 joint programmes (2004-2014):
 - **242 Masters** and **43 Doctorate programmes**
 - **More than 700 scholarships** for students, doctoral candidates and scholars from WB countries.
- Action 2 partnerships (2007-2014):
 - **19 partnerships** for WB countries
 - **Scholarships** for over 2500 **students** and **500 staff**



BUDGETS AND NUMBER OF PROJECTS FUNDED

Tempus

- **EUR 254 million** allocated for 1991 - 2013
- **720** projects funded for 1991 - 2013

Marie Skłodowska-Curie

- **EUR 4.5 million** EU contribution (2007-2014)
- **264** researchers from Western Balkans (2007-2014)

Jean Monnet

- **EUR 0.5 Million EU** contribution (2007-2014)
- **14** projects funded for 2007-2014

APPROACH



- Tempus
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- Marie Skłodowska-Curie



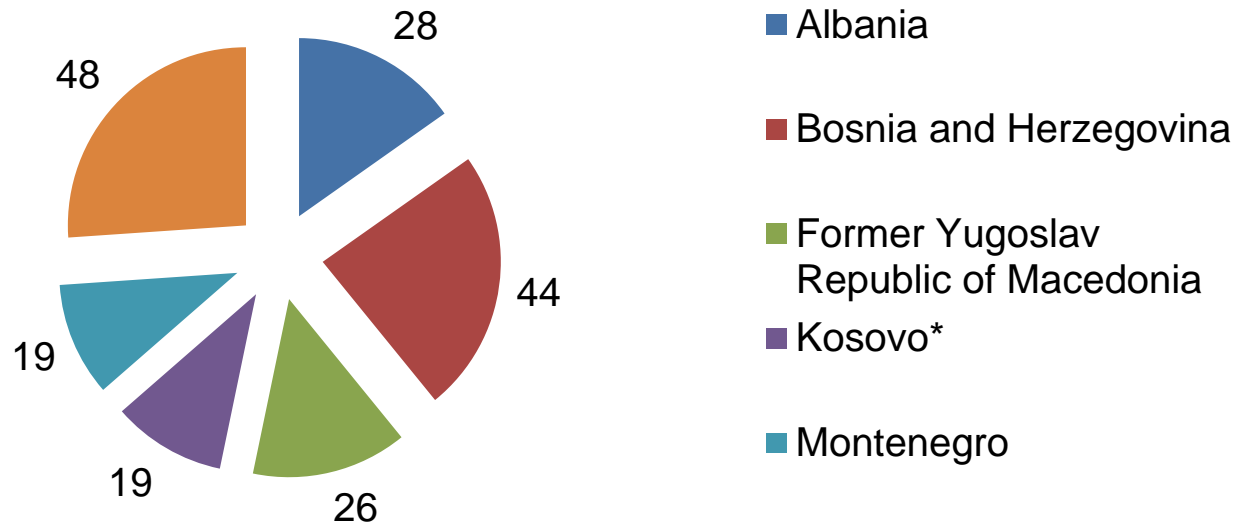
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Erasmus Mundus Action 2 Partnerships

Instances of participation HEIs in WB 2008-2014

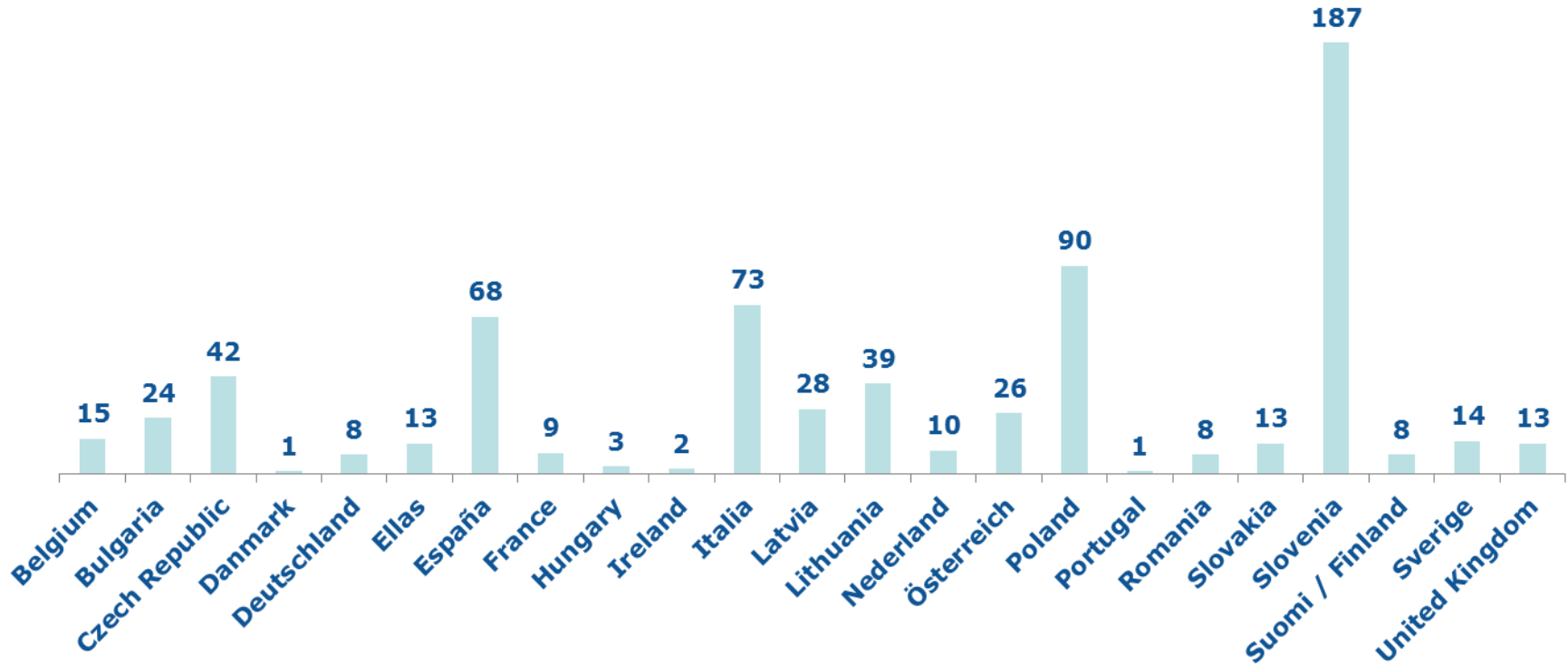


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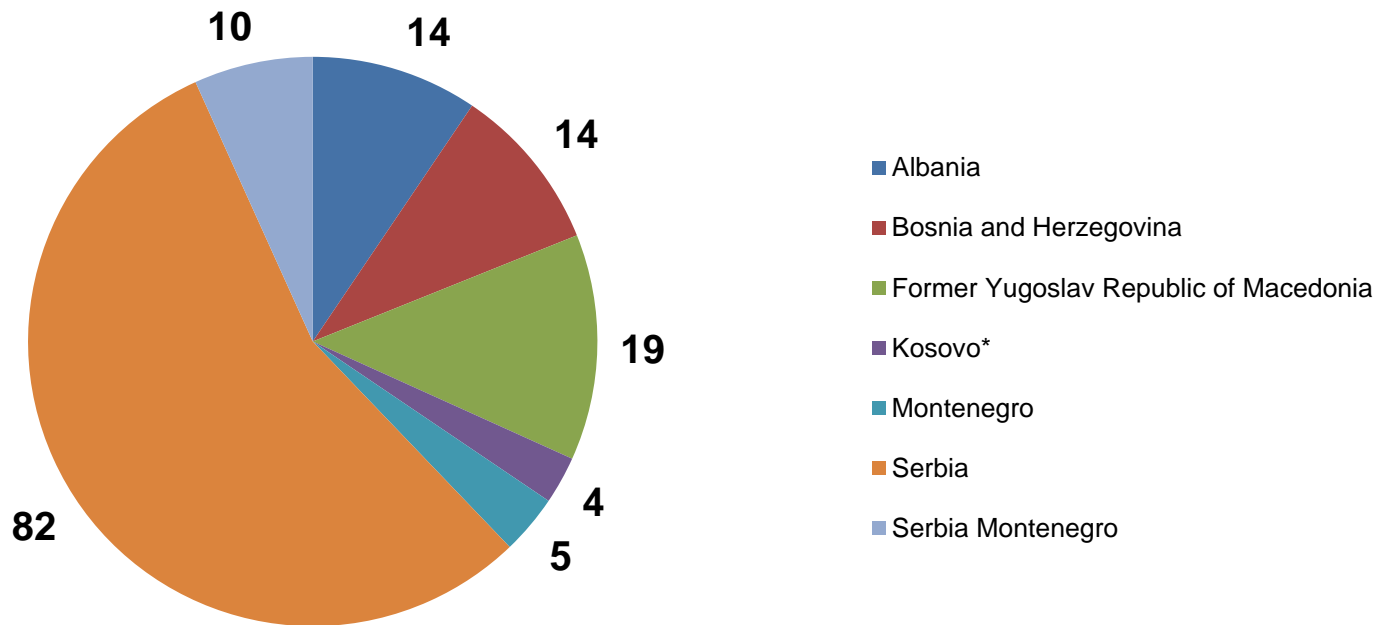
Implemented per nationality – EU (2008 – 2013)





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Action 1 Joint Masters and Doctorates (2004-2013)



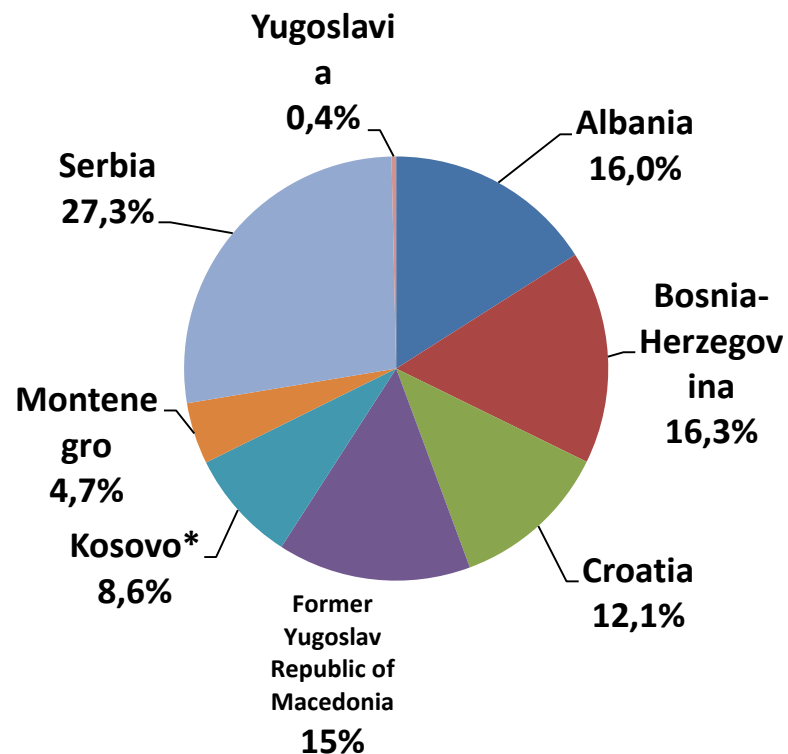
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Geographic Breakdown of the Number of Tempus Projects / Budget Allocation (1990-2013)

	Temp I	Temp II	Temp III	Temp IV	Total
Albania	17	54	47	32	150
BiH	-	25	76	53	154
Croatia	-	-	87	15	102
FYROM	-	36	94	33	163
Kosovo	-	-	29	39	68
Montenegro	-	-	26	41	67
Serbia	-	-	103	84	187
Yugoslavia	90	-	-	-	90
Total	107	115	349	149	720



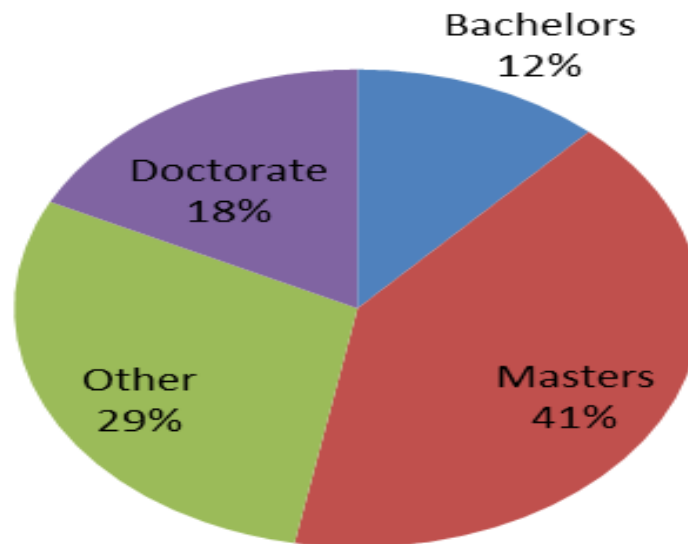
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2007-2013: 149 TEMPUS projects involving WB

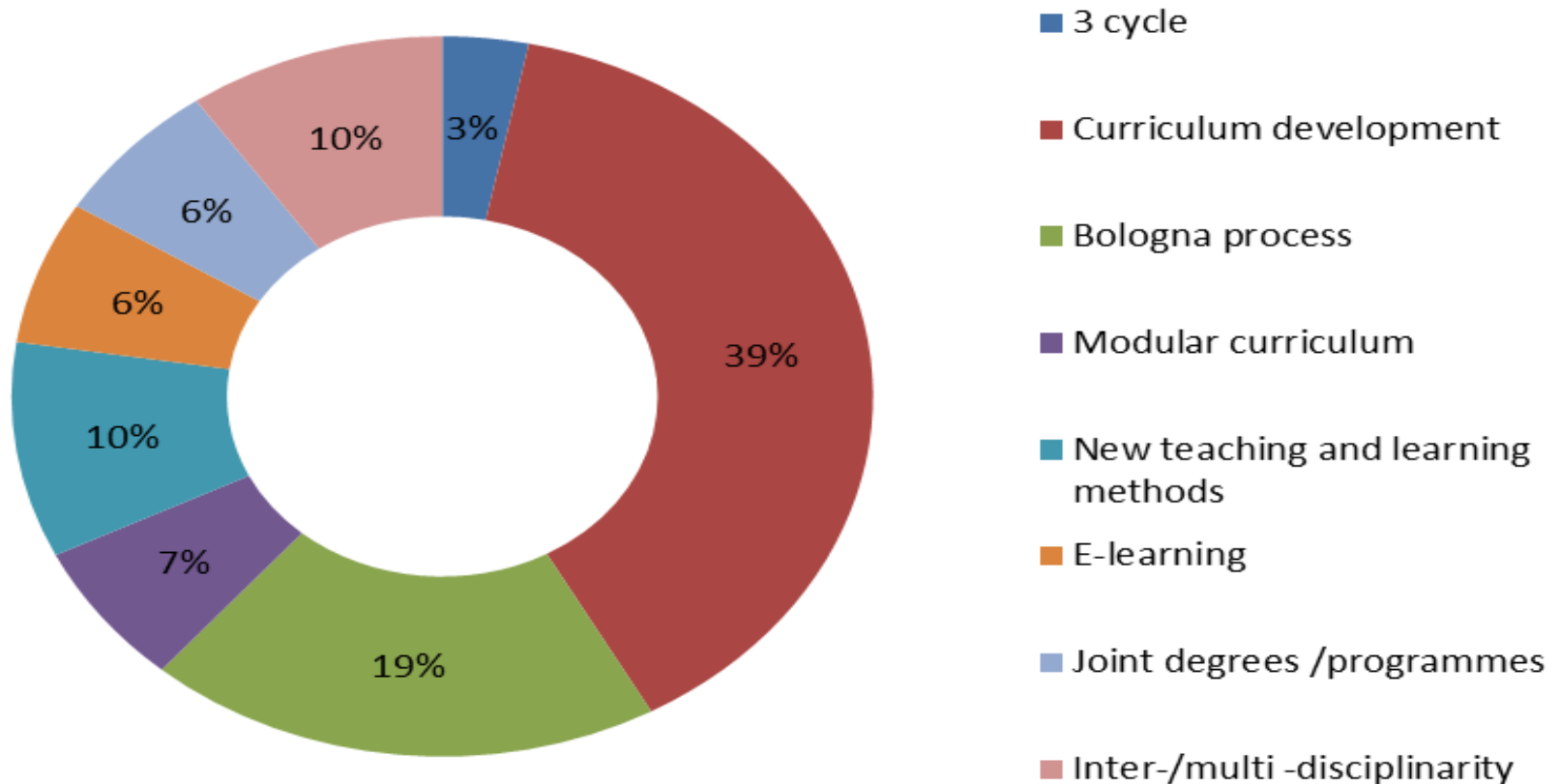
Education level/type





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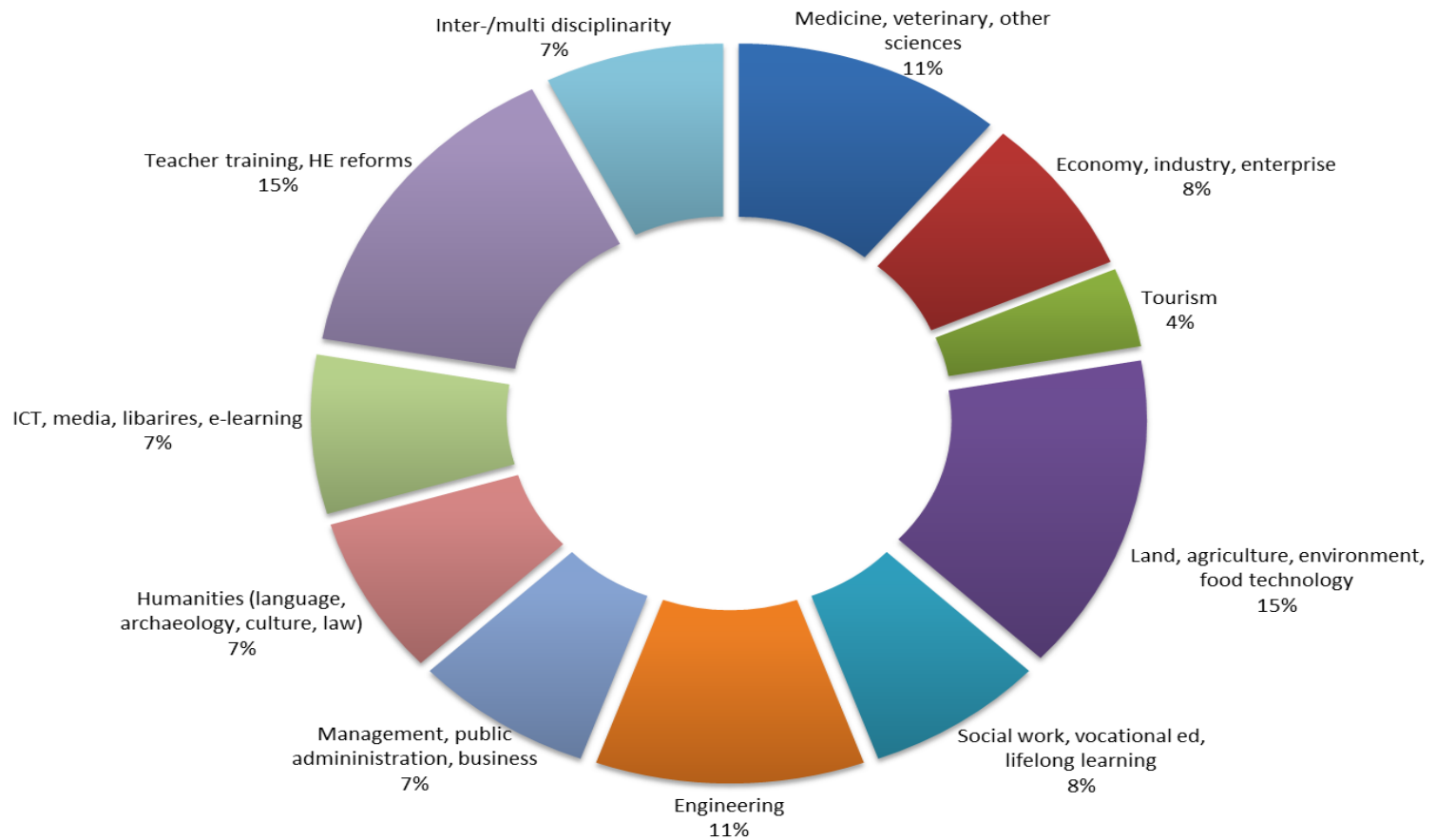
Curriculum development aspects





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Disciplines

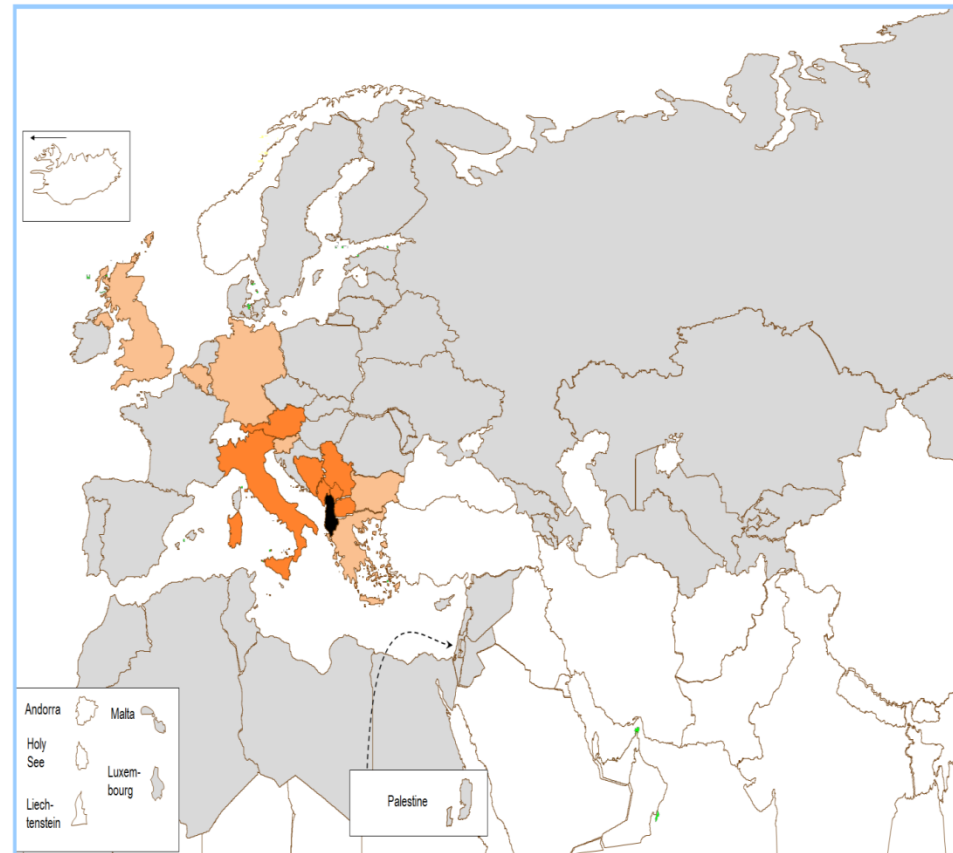


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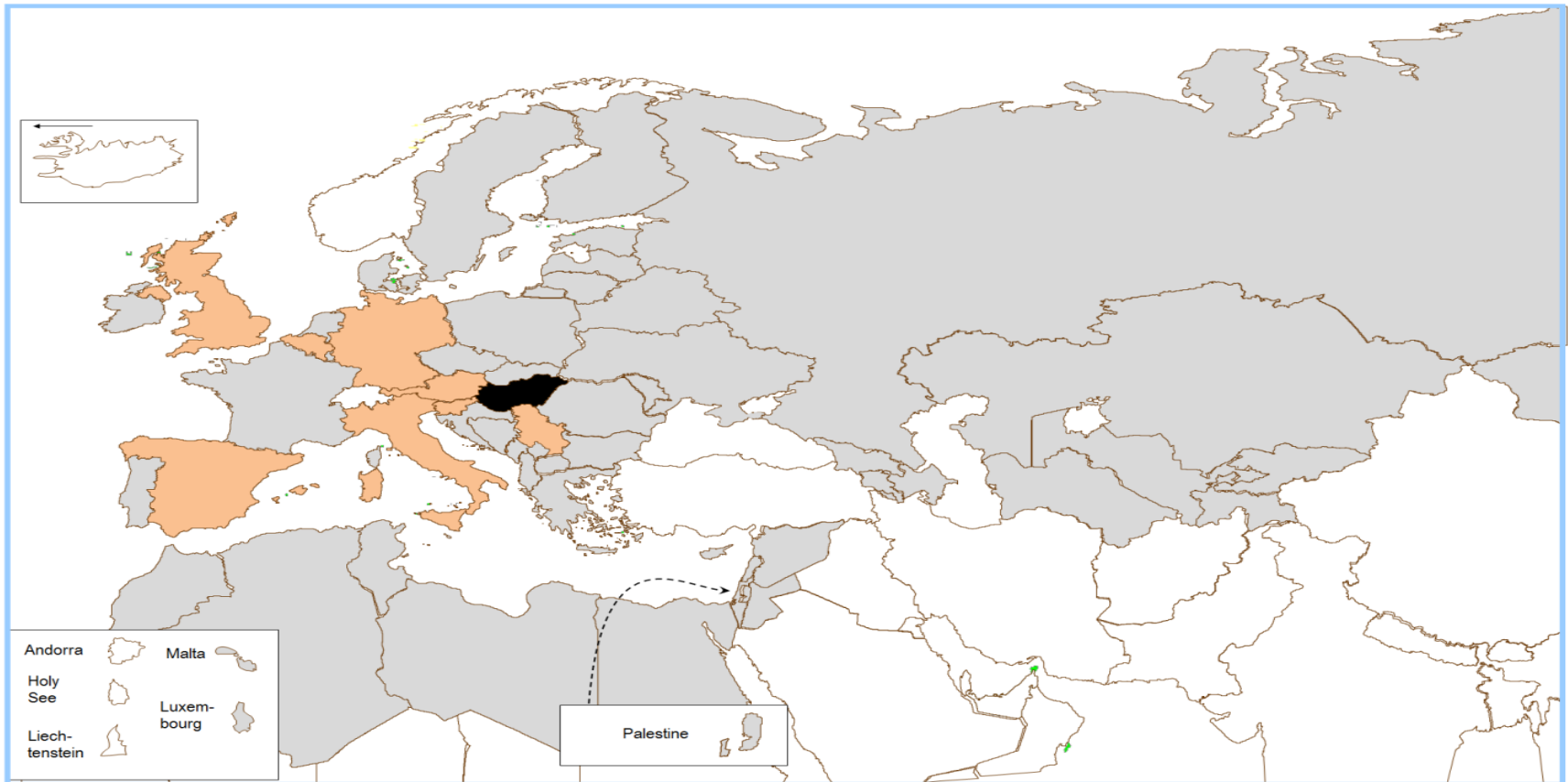
Privileged links example Bosnia and Herzegovina and Albania Tempus IV





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Privileged links Hungary Tempus IV



PART IV: Conclusion

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What worked well

Success factors

What could be
improved



Opportunities for International Cooperation in HE under Erasmus+

- **For HEIs:**
 - Joint Master Degree programmes
 - Credit mobility (inter-institutional agreement)
 - Capacity-building projects
 - Jean-Monnet projects
 - Joint Doctoral programmes (under Marie Skłodowska-Curie)
- **For individuals (students and staff):**
 - Scholarships for Joint Master Degree programmes
 - Scholarships for short-term credit mobility
 - Fellowships for training or teaching assignments
 - Doctoral fellowships (under Marie Skłodowska-Curie)



International E+ Contact Points (**ICPs**) in Programme Countries

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/international-erasmus-plus-contact-points_en

National Erasmus+ Offices (**NEOs**) in certain Partner Countries

https://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus-plus/contacts/national-erasmus-plus-offices_en

Tempus Programme

<http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/tempus/>

Erasmus Mundus Programme

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/erasmus_mundus/index_en.php

Jean Monnet

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/jean_monnet/jean_monnet_en.php

Marie Skłodowska-Curie

<http://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/>