

The financial aspects of inclusion

When we plan to organise an international youth experience in an inclusive way, we may be worried that this could mean extra costs. That is why it's important to know that special funding exists to support inclusive Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps programmes.

Concrete tips and tricks regarding financial aspects:

- Inclusion support for organisations can be used to cover costs related to the organisation of mobility activities involving participants with fewer opportunities, such as accompanying persons and group leaders. This funding is normally available as lump sums, but specific high costs can be reimbursed as real costs.
- There is funding available for preparatory visits. Those visits can help prepare the team and participants for an inclusive youth project. Project participants with fewer opportunities can participate in these visits to be able to get acquainted with the project site and advise on necessary adjustments needed for them to participate fully in the project.
- Increased support is available for young people with fewer opportunities such as reinforced mentorship and step-by-step capacity building opportunities such as the possibility to participate in low-threshold short-term and/or group projects as a preparation for longer projects.

"So, for instance, when I have somebody in a wheelchair coming, I don't want this person to just enter just a random bus. It's about dignity as well. So, in that moment, the inclusion support allows me through additional budget to order an accessible bus which takes the person to the place in a way the person should travel."



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Elzbieta Kosek, International inclusive dance festival, Germany

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