



What is EuropeME Made in Erasmus

EuropeME Made in Erasmus was born with the aim to document and promote the rise of a new generation of young Europeans: a generations which constantly moves across the borders to work, to study or simply to know all the different European cultures.

The European community provides different funds and mobility programs, the most famous of which is certainly the Erasmus program.

Europe Made in Erasmus seeks to analyse the daily life of these young Europeans in order to find out how they cope with different languages and cultures, how this kind of experience contributes to the growth and nourishing of an irreversible feeling of belonging to the European society: Europe Made in Erasmus wants to find out **how the first European generation begins**.

The results of this research will be useful to let the public opinion know the positive sides of the Erasmus program as well as to find out common problems and difficulties that the students have to face: essential information in order to improve the quality of the Erasmus experience as a whole.

A team of **10 guests** will carry on a research in the field, gathering information in various European cities and universities; **2 people** will arrange and coordinate their work **while the central office of Planeterasmus** (association that promotes European mobility) will provide the technological and strategical support for the publications of the research's results.

All the gathered data will come together in the EuropeME web site, divided in geographical regions and thematical sections to grant a practical access to all the information.

These will be the 5 thematic sections:

Erasmus in Campus: the academic life described in all of its phases: the preparation of the program in the university of origin, the arrival and settling in the host university, choosing the courses, the relationship with teachers and colleagues, the widening of language skills, the return in the country of origin and the validation of the exams taken;

Erasmus Forever: the individual Erasmus experience narrated through the motivations, hopes, adjustment problems and post-Erasmus depression, opinions and suggestions;

Erasmus Life: sharing the Erasmus daily life, the birth of new communities, different but compatible lifestyles, positive and negative moments of the common experience;

Erasmus Country: integration and knowledge of the host country, mobility in Europe during and after the Erasmus program, returning abroad temporarily or definitively;

Erasmus Info: official information about the Erasmus program, materials produced by the EU or by the different universities, surveys and documentaries published by local media.

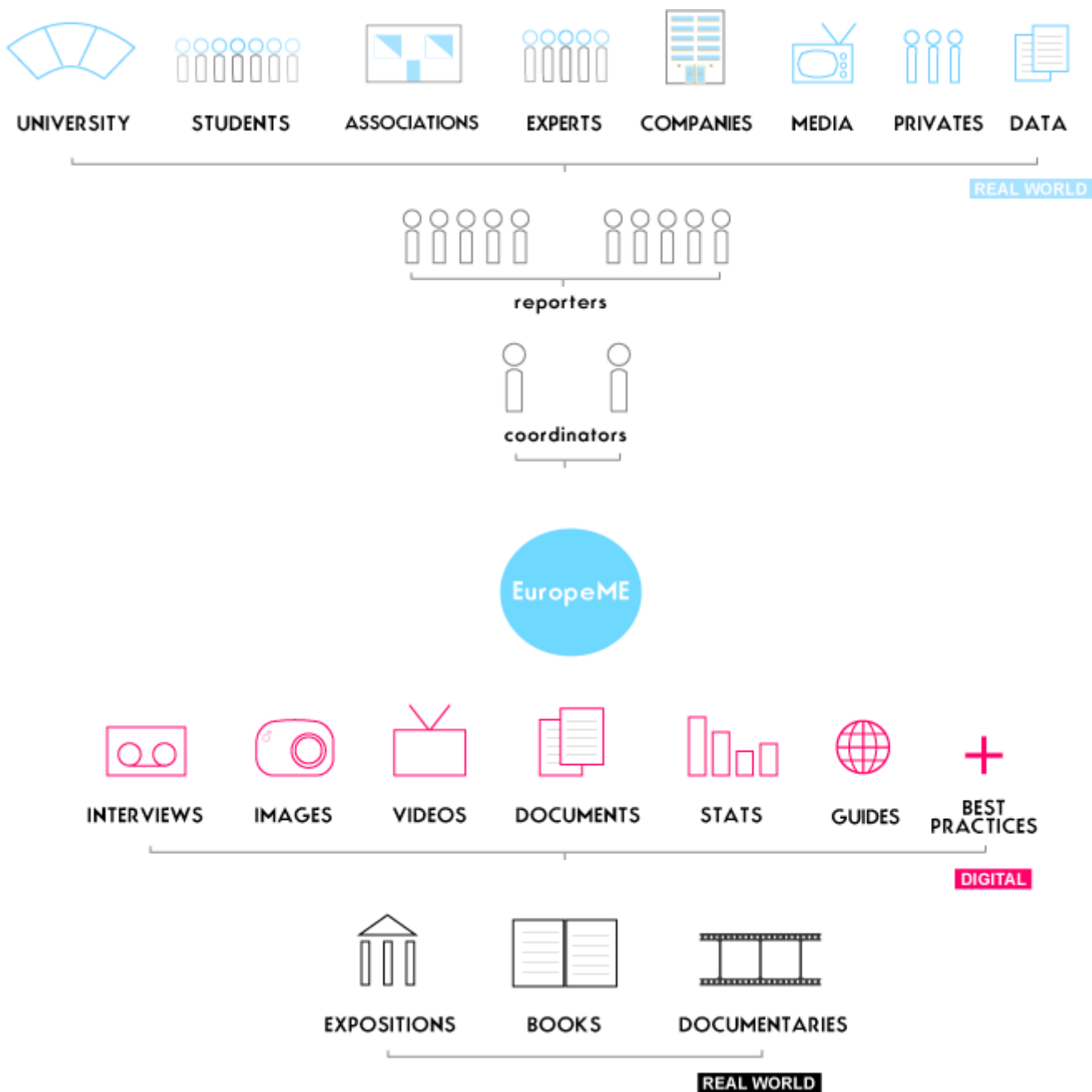
Europe will be divided in 10 macro areas, each one covered by one researcher who will move between the different universities during a period of at least 3 weeks up to 3 months. The researcher will actively participate to the academic life (living in an university accommodation or together with Erasmus students and using libraries and university computers to update the web site in real time).

The web site will be a mine of information about the Erasmus program and the academic life all over Europe: interviews with experts and students (videos and podcasts); real time reports and stories, in-depth studies and surveys, guidebooks for each university visited with information and the city, life in the campus, useful addresses, activities and events of general interest; the best practices and the best ideas to promote the integration of Erasmus students in the life of the host university and city.

The users of the EuropeME web site will be able to integrate, comment and share all the published material as well as use it to create project to be released through traditional channels: books and guides, shows and photography exhibitions, short movies and documentaries...



Scheme of the subjects involved in the project and material produced:



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