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Supporting HE in Ukraine

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Finland and support for Higher Education in Ukraine

- Spring 22: an open dialogue with Finnish HEIs and the Ministry for Education and Culture → a national plan to support Ukraine in HE
 - Open [study opportunities](#) for students from Ukraine at HEIs (from single courses to degree programmes), total of 3780 students registered at HEIs at the end of 2023;
 - Support for [mobility](#);
 - Specific information & [counselling services](#) on education offer, recognition of prior learning and transition to study programmes at Finnish HEIs;
 - Taylor-made [courses and study programmes](#) (esp language studies)
 - EDUFI measures (in addition to using Erasmus+ as a tool to support students and staff from Ukrainian HEIs)
 - [Scholarship programme for doctoral students from Ukraine](#) to continue their studies and research at Finnish universities (based on our EDUFI fellowship programme and Scholar Rescue Fund programme)
 - [Support for bilateral HE cooperation](#) between Finnish HEIs and their Ukrainian partner institutions
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EDUFI Fellowship for doctoral students from Ukraine

GRANTED FUNDING 2022-2024



37 doctoral students*

Granted funding
~**840 000** €

Received applications
43

Of those funded
30 are women

7 are men

Disciplines e.g.:

- Linguistics
- Physics
- Biology
- Sociology
- Political Science
- Literary Studies

DATA FROM REPORTS (26)

Achievement of goals set for the scholarship holder's research

88 % quite well or very well

Relevance of the funding instrument on a scale of 1 to 5

Grant amount

4,1



Duration of the funding period

3,9

Flexibility of the application process

4,8



Establishing or strengthening international cooperation

4,1




During the fellowship, doctoral students:

- were able to reorganise and continue their doctoral studies.
- updated and refined their research plans and methods.
- advanced their doctoral research.
- wrote and published scientific articles.
- completed courses related to their PhD studies.
- participated in seminars and scientific conferences.
- networked and created new or deepened existing research collaborations.

9 UNIVERSITIES

- Aalto University
- LUT University
- Tampere University
- University of Eastern Finland
- University of Helsinki
- University of Jyväskylä
- University of Oulu
- University of Turku
- Åbo Akademi University

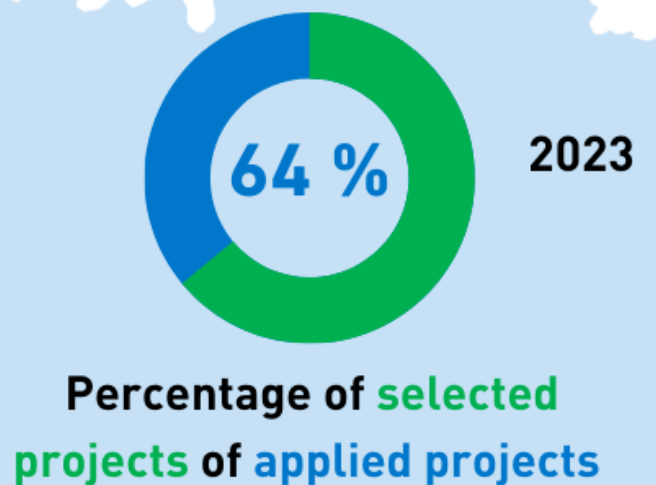
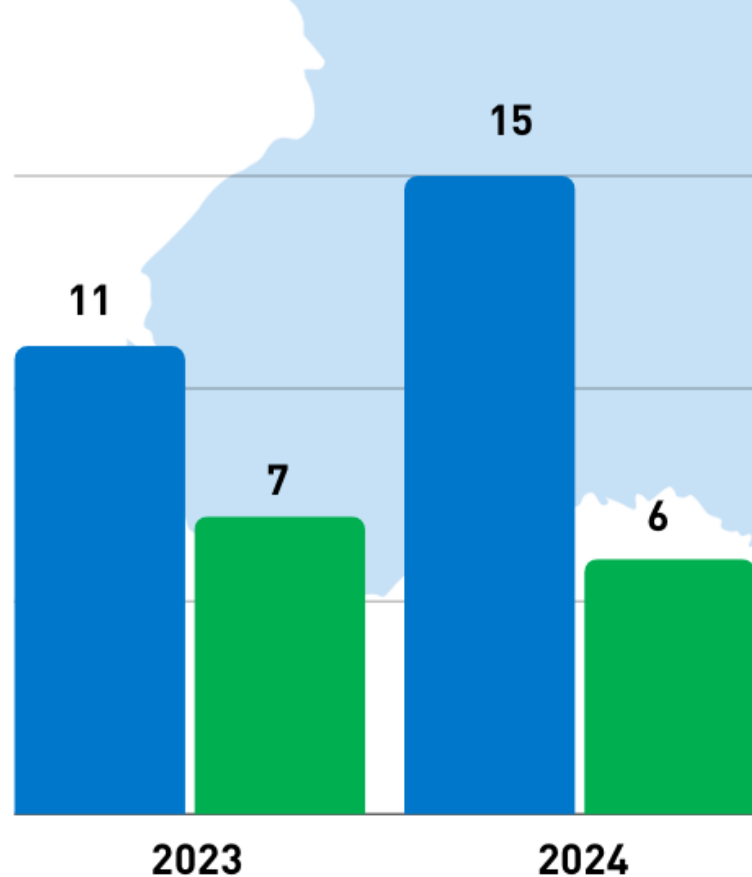
Support for bilateral HE cooperation with Ukraine under the Team Finland Knowledge Programme

- Ukraine-specific call for proposal under the already existing funding instrument: Team Finland Knowledge (TFK) Programme
 - Seed-funding for bilateral HE partnerships, aiming at providing support to Ukraine in developing and rebuilding of its higher education
 - Two application rounds so far, the second cohort of projects only in the starting phase
 - A bit too early to evaluate results, building up understanding on critical factors in HE cooperation and partnerships (based on feedback and discussion with project leaders)
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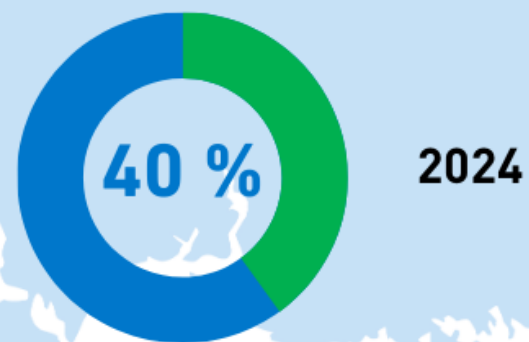
TFK PROGRAMME, APPLIED AND SELECTED PROJECTS: UKRAINE 2023-2024



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APPLIED AND SELECTED PROJECTS OF TFK PROGRAMME'S CALL FOR UKRAINE IN 2023



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Most common fields of education in selected projects

Teacher training and education science

Social and behavioural science

Physical sciences

Health

Engineering and engineering trades

Manufacturing and processing

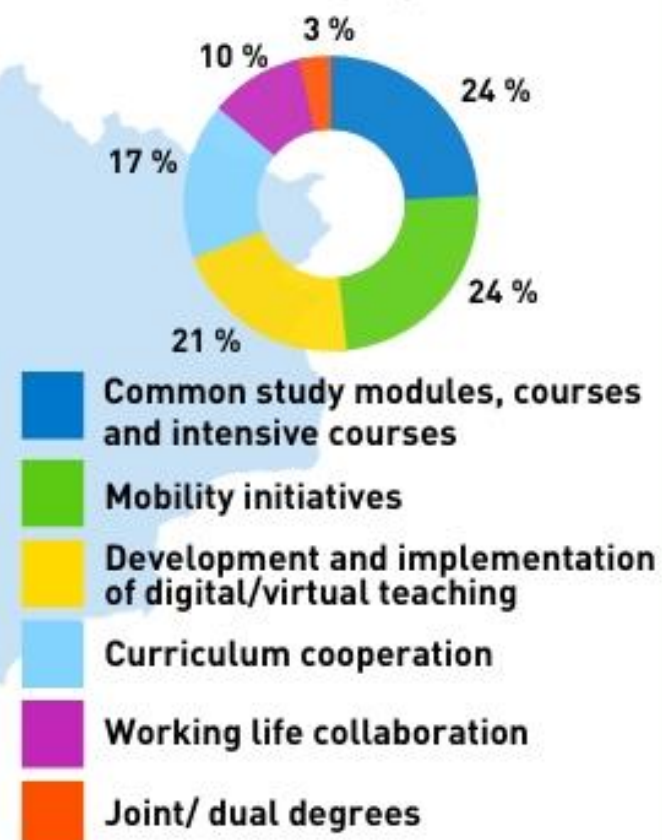
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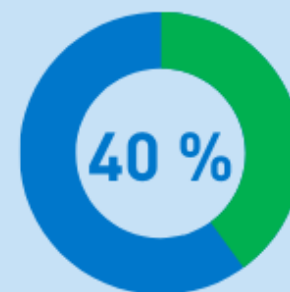
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Social services

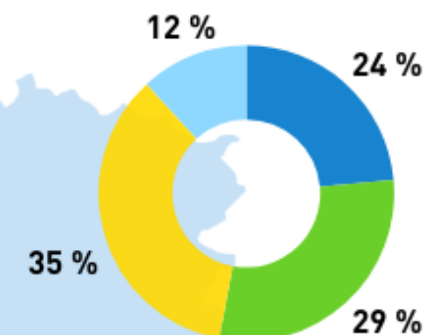
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- Common study modules, courses and intensive courses
- Mobility initiatives
- Development and implementation of digital/virtual teaching
- Curriculum cooperation

“Support needed and asked is depending on whether HEIs are destroyed and the **infrastructures** have to be rebuild or whether it is more to **face the traumas and reality of war/post-war life**... Currently there are ongoing plans to **merge universities**.... support for this too.”

“.... Funding and support is needed for enhancing **capacity building / competence building** of top management, middle management/academics and younger academics and HEI employments to **prevent eg. brain drain** for industry because of the local salary level for younger researchers...Funding is needed also for **adjusting and preparing for the next day** with traumas.”





Thankyou.

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