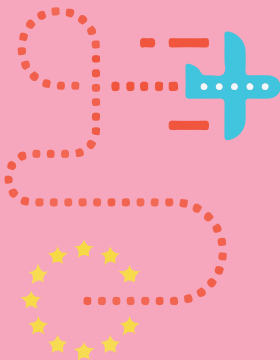


# A quick guide to Erasmus+ & European Solidarity Corps Eligibility



Without eligible legal status your organisation cannot take part in Erasmus+ or the European Solidarity Corps. This sheet defines who or what can take part in the programmes and provides some pointers about how to prove the legal status of your organisation.

We also advise you to read the Programme Guide for additional information about who can take part: you can find a link to the guide at [www.leargas.ie](http://www.leargas.ie). In the guide you'll find the information you need in Part C, Information for Applicants.



## Eligible Entities

### Company Limited By Guarantee/Shares

This may be indicated by any of the following: Ltd (Limited), DAC (Designated Activity Company), CLG (Company Limited by Guarantee), PLC (Public Limited Company)

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### Companies incorporated under the Charities Act 1973

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### Public/Statutory Body

Schools, Colleges, Universities, ETBs (Education and Training Boards), County/Urban Councils, Hospitals, National Organisations such as Teagasc, Irish Prison Service, Health Service Executive etc.

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### Trade Union

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### Co-operative

If registered in the Central Registration Office (CRO)

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### Trusts

Note we cannot contract directly with the Trust but must contract with the Trustees individually and collectively

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### Individual

For Erasmus+ Youth in Action only, when representing informal groups of young people (European Solidarity Corps and Erasmus+ Key Actions 151, 152, 153, 154 only)

## What proves eligibility?

- Memorandum and Articles/Cert of Incorporation
- Registration *as a company* with the CRO
- Registration with Registrar of Friendly Societies as per CRO
- Passport or legal form of identification for individual (youth field representative only)
- School Roll number
- Legal correspondence proving status as a legal entity (e.g. official letter from the Department to the school)
- The constitution/responsibilities of the group and list of group members (youth field only)

## What does not prove eligibility?

- Registration of business name on CRO
- Constitution
- Receipt of grants from Government Departments/EU
- Registration as a charity
- Previous grants from Léargas
- Tax registration/Tax Clearance Certificate

## Non Eligible Entities

### Individual

(unless the person is a Youth representative)

### Sole trader, self-employed person

### Voluntary Group/Association/Organisation

(unless it is a limited company)

### Businesses that are not limited

### Unincorporated Associations

### Partnerships or Limited Partnerships

### An individual referring to him/herself as an organisation

### SME (Small to Medium Enterprise) unless it is a limited company



## What to do if you are not listed as an eligible entity

- Apply as an individual on behalf of an informal group of young people (Youth field only for relevant Key Actions)
- Form a Limited Company/Co-op
- Get an eligible entity to apply on your behalf  
e.g. Umbrella body

If you are still unclear about whether you are eligible to participate in Erasmus+ or EU Solidarity Corps please contact the Operations and Finance team at [opsfin@leargas.ie](mailto:opsfin@leargas.ie)