



# Erasmus+ cooperation with Uzbekistan

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# Outline

- Higher education developments in Uzbekistan
- Erasmus+ impact and best practice
- Country specific priorities and NEO`s support



# I. Higher education developments in Uzbekistan

# HE reform in Uzbekistan

- What has been achieved?
- On-going developments
- Support and expertise needed

# Concept of HE development in Uzbekistan till 2030 (October 2019)

## Strategic Goals and Priority Areas for the Development of HE System

- Enhancement of Higher Education Coverage and Improving the Quality of Teaching in Higher Education
- Introducing Digital Technologies and Modern Methods in the Teaching Process
- Improving Research Efficiency, active Involvement of Employers
- Systematic Development and Improvement of Management of HEIs
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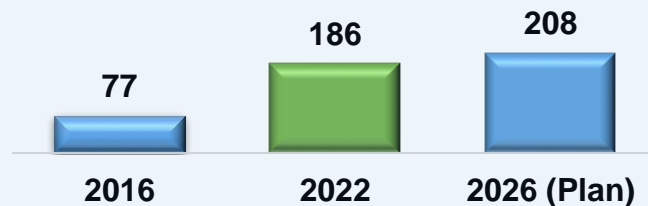
<https://erasmus.uz/en/page/70-he-developments>

# HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEI) OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN



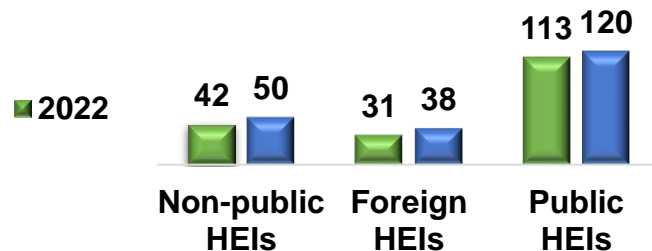
OVERALL NUMBER OF HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIs) – **186**

Tashkent (capital city)	80
Other regions	106
HEIs under the MHSSE	61
- including branches	8



NON-PUBLIC AND FOREIGN HEIs – **73**

Number of public HEIs	113
Number of non-public HEIs	42
Number of foreign HEIs	31



# II. Erasmus+ impact and best practice



## Capacity Building for Higher Education

- **Uzbekistan: 43 CBHE projects for 6 calls (2015-2020)**
- **Total budget for 43 CBHE projects: 36.6 mln. Euro, for Uzbekistan HEIs 11.5 mln. euro (31,4%)**

**48** local HEIs

**104** HEIs from 27 EU MS

**99** HEIs from 15 PC (MN, VN, NP, CN, IL and KS)

## Uzbekistan: CBHE Projects by consortium

(2015-2020, I-VI calls)

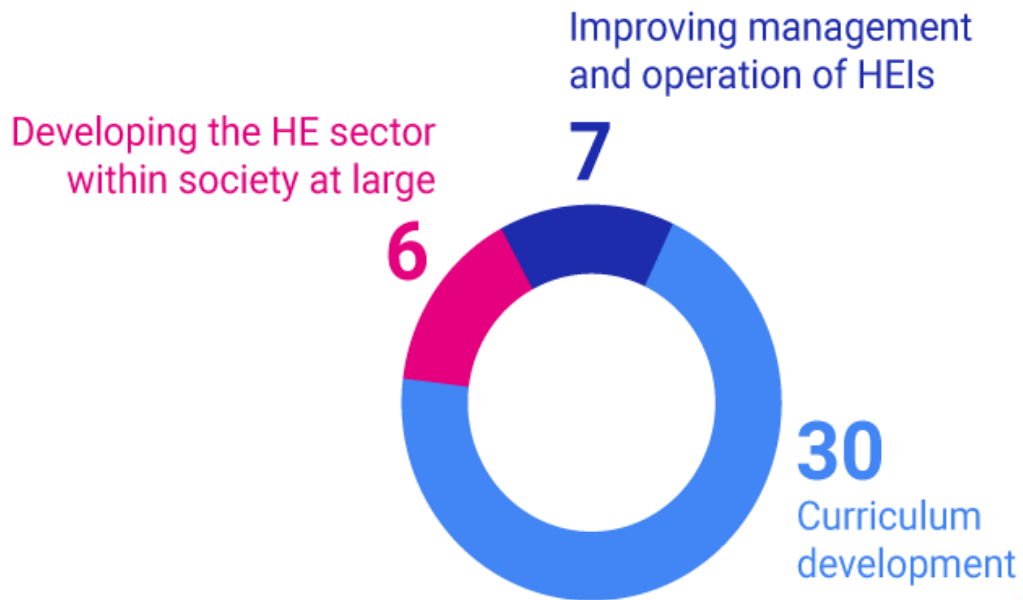


*Total — 43 projects in Uzbekistan (12-20-11)*



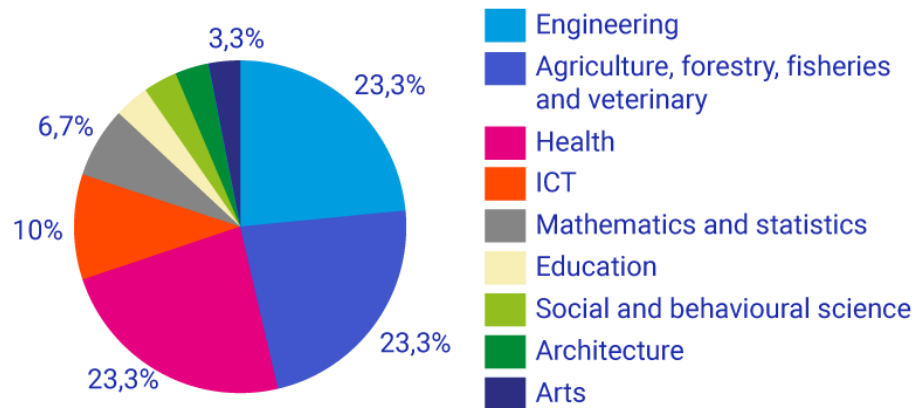
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## Types of activities



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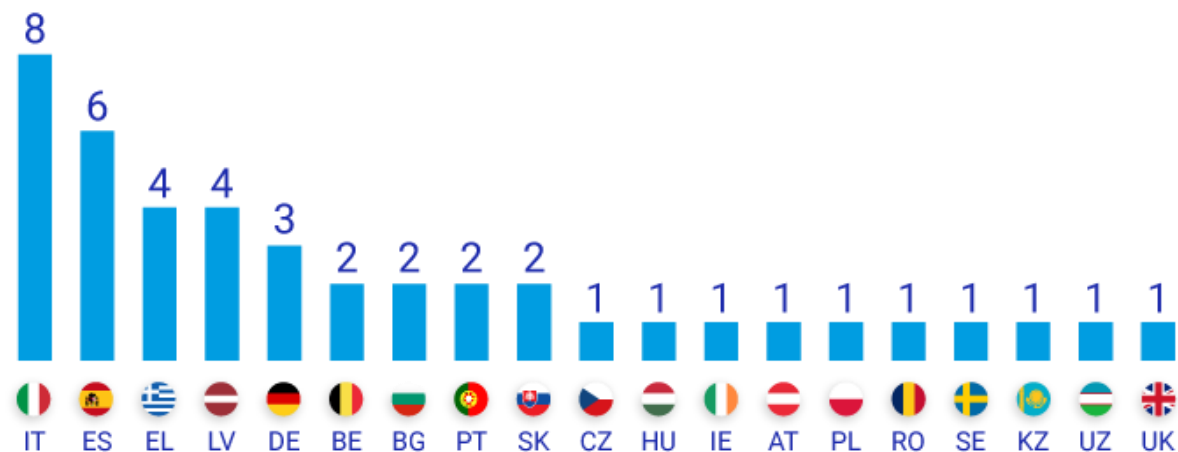
## Curriculum development projects: themes



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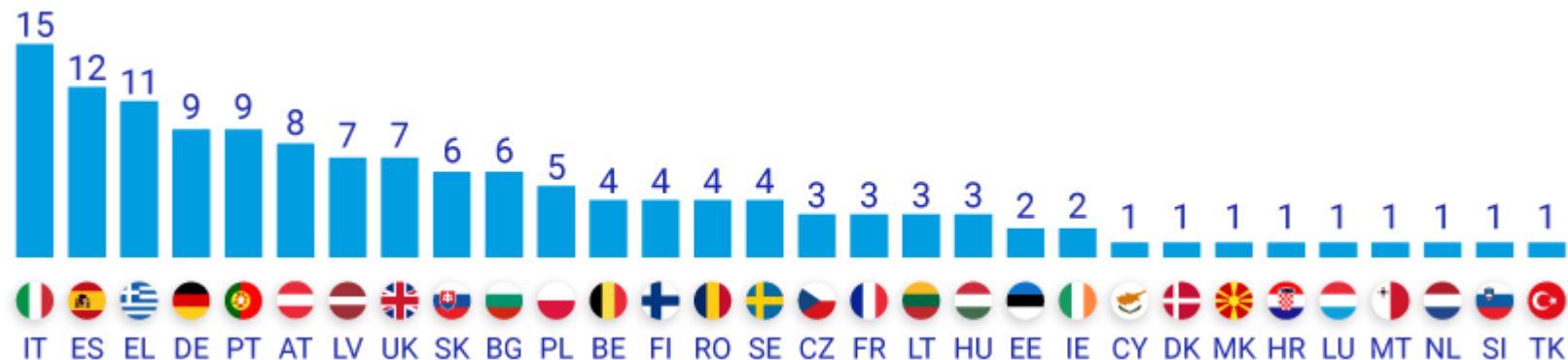
## Grantholders in CBHE projects in Uzbekistan

(2015–2020)



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## European HEIs *(27 EU Member States, North Macedonia, TK, UK)* involved in CBHE projects in Uzbekistan *(2015–2020)*

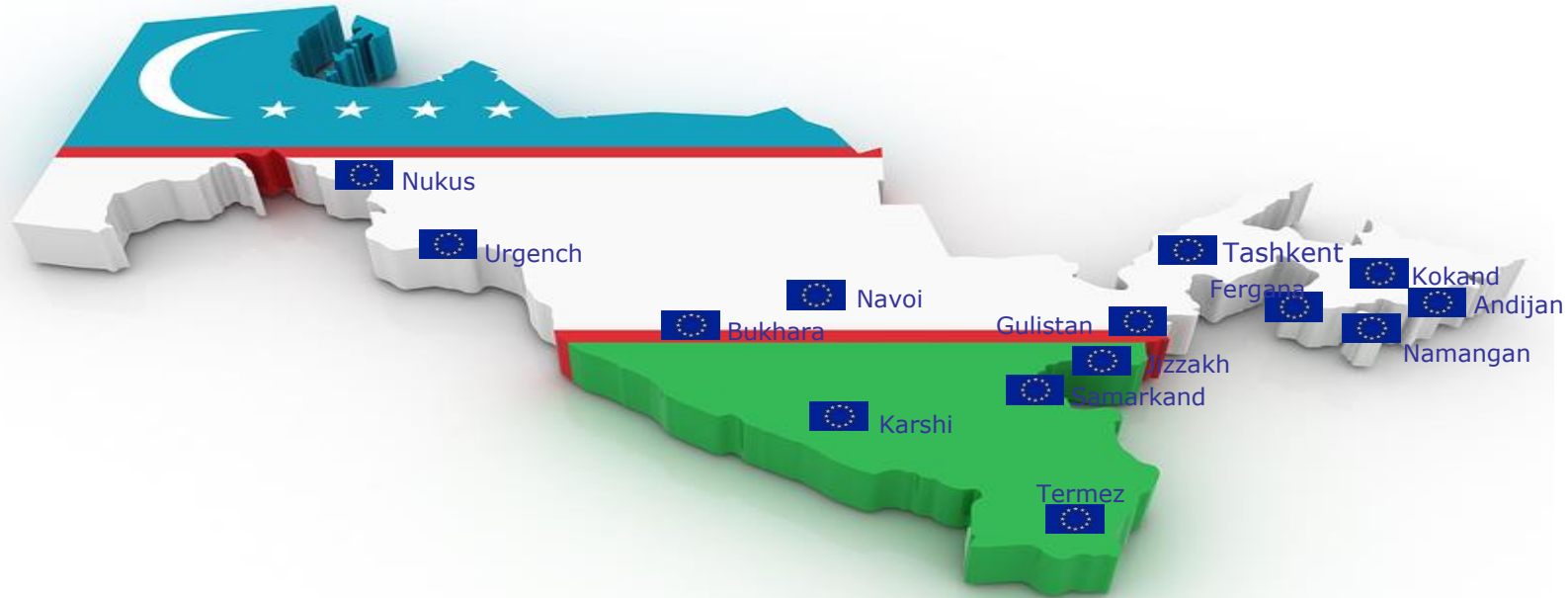


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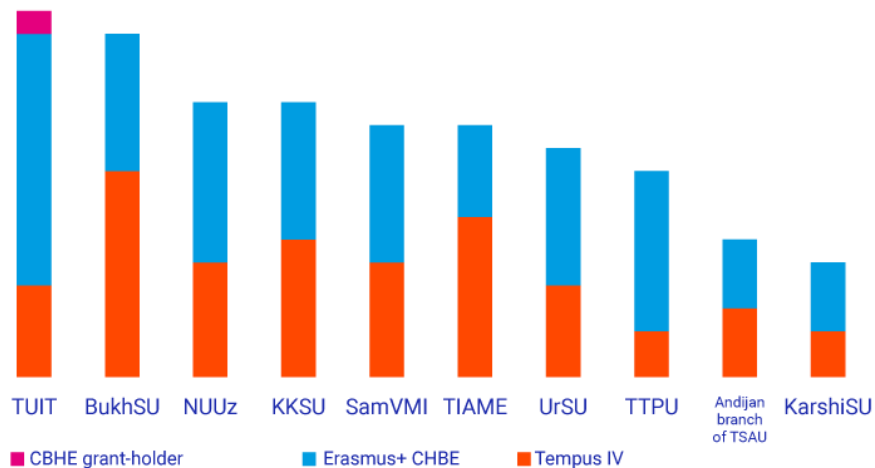


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## All country regions in Erasmus+

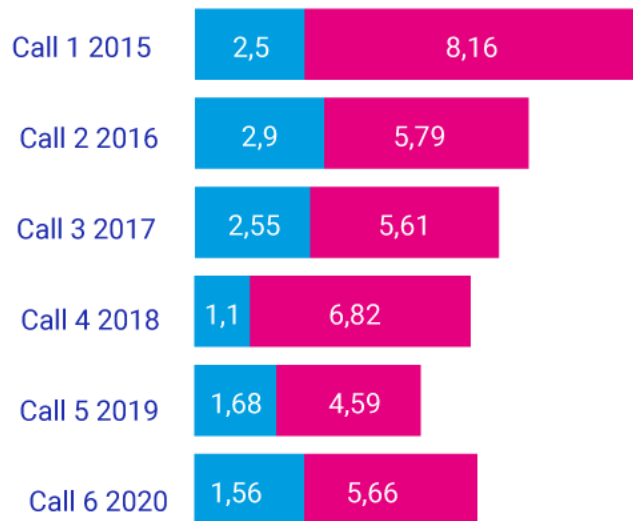


## Top 10 HEIs of Uzbekistan in Tempus IV and Erasmus+ CBHE (I-VI) projects



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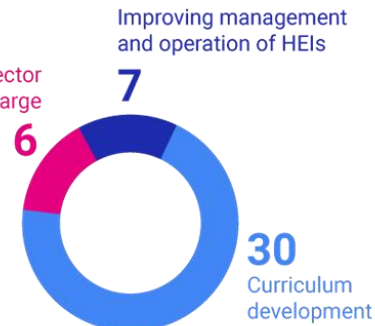
## Total budget of 43 projects involvement of Uzbekistan (36,6 million Euro) including allocation for Uzbekistan HEIs (11,5 million Euro) for 2015–2020



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## Impact of Erasmus+ projects at the national level:

- Impact on the **development and modernization of higher education, CB**
- The **new master's degree programmes**



- contributed extensively to the ongoing wide introduction of the **ECTS** in all HEIs of Uzbekistan



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## Impact of Erasmus+ projects at the national level:

- assistance in the development of the **national education quality assurance system, new methods of quality management**



and overall improvement of **HE quality**

- the system of continuous professional development of HE academic and management personnel
- **foundation for the development of new joint curricula** with the European partners



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## Findings and Conclusions

### Impact of Erasmus + projects at the national level:

- Capacity building of academic and administrative staff
- Introduction of new methods of quality management in education and modern teaching methodology
- New joint curricula on a bilateral basis with European partners
- Sustainable partnership with European partners



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## Recommendations at the national level:

- Support the efforts of project teams on ensuring **systemic impact of project outcomes**
- Providing more opportunities **for autonomy of HEIs** in Uzbekistan - internationalisation
- To harmonize national quality indicators with ESG (**European Guidelines and Standards for Quality Assurance**)
- To conduct regular dissemination activities and information events **promoting the project results** with the involvement of the mass media;
- Create a network (**association**) of Erasmus+ project coordinators and managers
- Actively promote project outcomes in **professional communities**



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# Selection results Call 2022



**145 new CBHE projects out of 620 submitted (429)**

**Central Asia: 8 projects, €5.76 million**

Central Asia	Number of projects	Grantholders
Uzbekistan	7 (2 reserve)	3
Kazakhstan	4	
Kyrgyzstan	3	2
Tajikistan	2	
Turkmenistan	1	



## 7 new CBHE projects

**4 projects** Bio-medical Engineering, Food Science and Technology, Water Sector for Climate Resilience and Security in Central Asia, Building Educational and Research Capacities in Nutrition and Dietetics in Central Asia

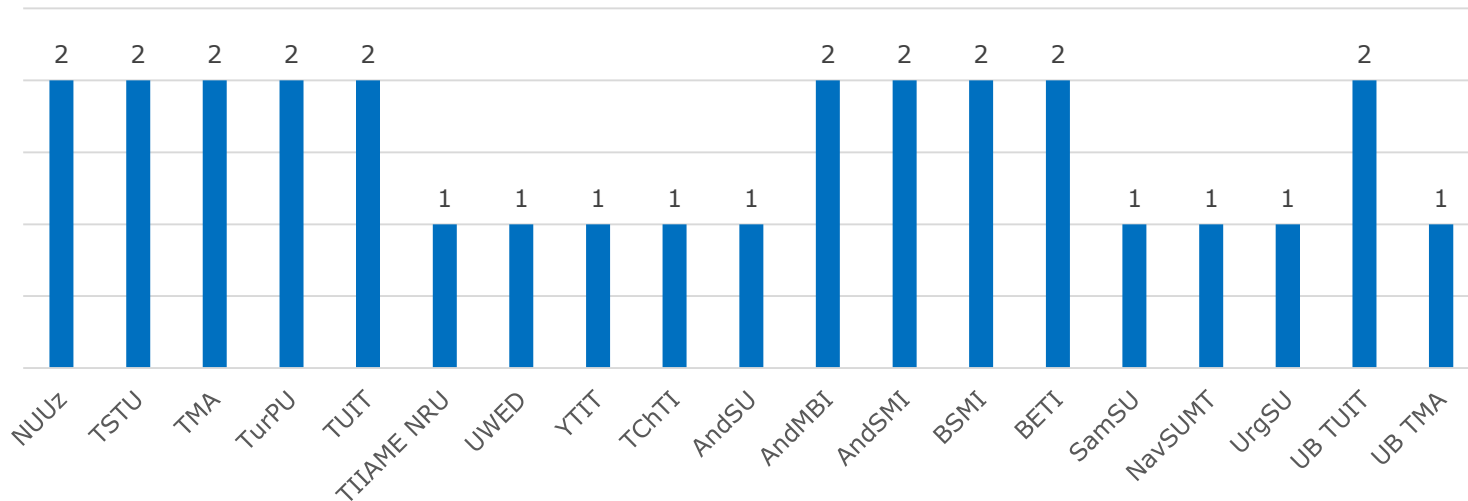
**3 projects** new Master programmes in the field of Medical Engineering in Uzbekistan, Photonics and Optical Communications, Eco-Mining and Innovative Natural Resources Management



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## Selection results 2022

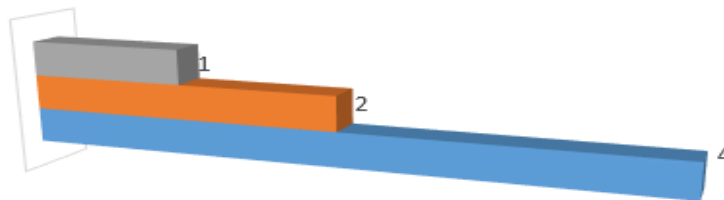
### Erasmus+: Involvement of Uzbekistan HEIs in CBHE Call-2022



**Total: 19 HEIs from Tashkent and 5 regions**



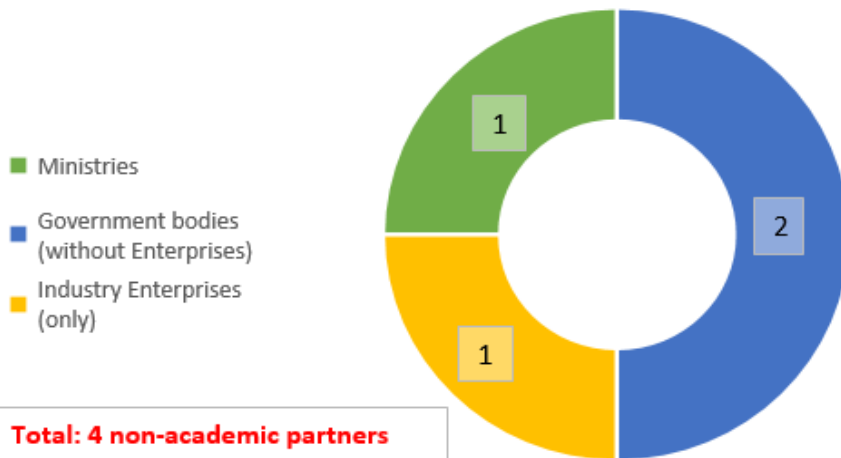
Projects by type



- Cross-regional project
- Regional projects with CA countries
- National projects

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1  
2  
4

Non-academic partners from Uzbekistan in CBHE within the 1 Call



**Total: 4 non-academic partners**



### 4 Jean Monnet projects in Uzbekistan

1. **Module** “**EPOCA**: European Economic Integration: Policies, Mechanisms and Lessons for Central Asia”, Bukhara State University
2. **Module** “**EUCAA**: EU foreign policy in Central Asia and Afghanistan”, University of World Economy and Diplomacy
3. **Chair** “**CACETL**: Central Asian Centre for European Trade Law”, Westminster International University in Tashkent
4. **Center of Excellence** “**ECESBF**: Erasmus Center of Excellence in Sustainable Business and Finance” Tashkent State University of Economics

# III. Country specific priorities and NEO's support



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## Budget for Central Asia 2021-2027 according to Erasmus+ Multiannual Indicative Programme (MIP)

Erasmus+ action	Million Euro
CBHE	34,5
ICM	25,0
EMJMs	13,0
JM	0,15
Total	72,65



### **Country specific priorities**

- **Management of Quality Assurance (QA) system**
- **University Governance**
- **University-enterprise cooperation and enhancing employability skills of graduates**
- **Entrepreneurship in Higher Education**



- **the promotion of Erasmus+ opportunities**
- **to potential applicants and on-going beneficiaries**
- **dissemination and Higher Education Reform Experts (HERE) activities**
- **national authorities, EU Delegations and Commission services**



- relevance to local context
- to liaise with relevant national authorities
- to search partners among the local universities
- in avoiding duplication and planning synergy with EU-funded projects



# Erasmus+

## **Work with higher education institutions of Uzbekistan and Central Asia!**





# Culture and heritage

- more than 4000 historical-architectural monuments
- main tourist destinations:
  - Tashkent
  - Samarkand
  - Bukhara
  - Shakhrisabz
  - Khiva
  - Termez





# UNESCO World Heritage

## Uzbekistan – World heritage sights

Ichan Kala (1990)



Historic centre of Bukhara (1993)

Historic centre of Shakhrisabz (2000)

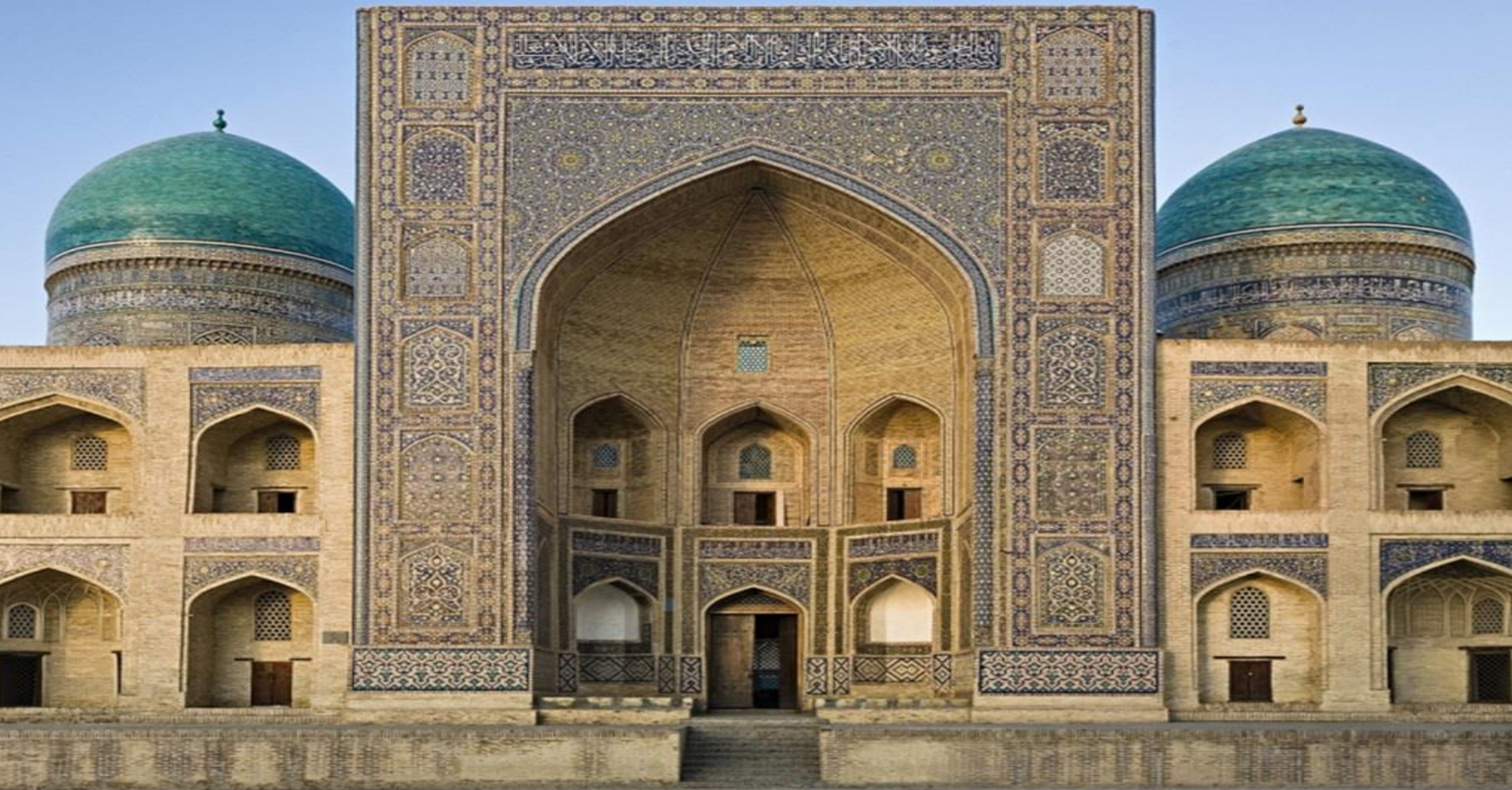


**Samarkand – crossroad of cultures (2001)**













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