



- Oldest European network, founded in **1985**
- **40** Universities from **22** European countries
- Long-standing comprehensive **Education and R&I-led Universities**
- **>1,4M students & >230 000 staff** (teachers, researchers, admin.)
- **>16% of all Erasmus+ students mobility** in Europe
- € multi-billion total annual R&I budget with:
  - **15% of all signed grants in Horizon 2020 programme (2014-2020)**
  - **21% of all signed grants in Horizon Europe programme (2021-2027)**
  - **>1500 ERC projects (>€ 2 billion)**

## Support to international talents:

- Promotion of **Innovation culture via dedicated Hubs & special trainings**
- **Mentoring programmes** towards early-stage entrepreneurial projects, researchers and innovators
- Own **funding schemes to Proof-of-Concept & joint labs** with private companies/start-ups
- **Technical support** through the entire innovation cycle, medium-size cities with **favorable conditions**