

Press Release PRIME Project

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PRIME – Problem of Recognition In Making Erasmus

The previous two annual surveys of ESN reveal that slightly more than half of all Erasmus students receive full recognition of their courses taken abroad. Now ESN takes the initiative to start up the ground-breaking project PRIME.

According to the Erasmus Charter, students have the right of an obligatory learning agreement prior to departure and full recognition of their study courses abroad by their home university upon return. To realize a full implementation of the course recognition in Europe, ESN sections and partner organizations carry out an in-depth qualitative research in collaboration with Higher Education Institutions.

Upon a checklist about the information policy of universities and learning agreements the internal recognition process is evaluated. The local results will be transferred to the international coordinating team around the Board of ESN International to discover main problems and deviations of the standard procedure, which will be published in a report in 2009.

Due to the amazing help of motivated student volunteers, we aim at a high response rate in order to improve the future situation of course recognition and hence the students' rights in Europe.