

SURVEY: INCOMING BACHELOR AND MASTER STUDENTS

SURVEY TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Type of research: Structured self-administered online questionnaire (LimeSurvey).

Field of work: From Monday, January 21 until February 3, 2019.

Validation of the questionnaire: Pre-test through the members of the working teams of the SEA-EU candidacy

Promotion of engagement: Through email, distribution lists and electronic bulletin board.

Population surveyed: 1.922.-

Number of complete answers: 341.-

Participation Percentage: 17,74%. -

Sample error: 4,81% (95% trust level).

Field of work, tabulation and analysis: Rector's Delegation for Strategic Development. University of Cádiz.

Distribution by universities:

University of Cádiz, Spain: 230 (67,45%)

University of Western Brittany, France: 26 (7,62%)

University of Kiel, Germany: 46 (13,49%)

University of Gdansk, Poland: 1 (0,29%)

University of Split, Croatia: 31 (9,09%)

University of Malta, Malta: 0 (0,00%)

Another Countries: 7 (2,05%)

Executive Summary



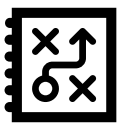
About the Survey. 341 students have participated in the survey, mostly from the 18 to 24 age group (70%), although 28% were from the 25 to 34 age group. 76% of respondents were women. The distribution between Degree students and Master students was balanced (60% of respondents were or have been Degree students and 40%, Masters students). 94% of the respondents carried out a mobility study programme, with mobility traineeships being insignificant (2%). The origin of foreign students who visited the universities belonging to the consortium is very varied, with Italy standing out with 23%, Germany with 22% and France with 15%.



About the language level of incoming foreign students. The data obtained on the language level of our incoming students has high reliability as only 30% indicate that the language level expressed comes from *self-assessment*. Given this factor, it can be confirmed that English is the most used and accredited language (76% of the sample fall in the range between B1 and C1). This is closely followed by Spanish with 60% in this range of language qualification. In both languages, the highest percentage of level/accreditation is found at C1 level.



About the Erasmus+ mobility programme. The main source of awareness of the Erasmus+ programme for these foreign students is their university of origin (50%), followed by friends or peers (24%) and the Internet (16%). There are basically two reasons for deciding to follow an Erasmus mobility programme and they are, in this order: *To experience other cultures and meet new people* (89% of cases) and *To improve knowledge and skills* (80% of cases). As for the chosen destination it should be noted that 67% of respondents chose Spain (University of Cadiz). Whatever country is chosen for the stay, respondents clearly show two reasons for their choice: *I liked the country* (75% of cases) and *I wanted to improve my language skills* (74%), leaving *The prestige of the university in question* at a distant 7%.



Problems with the Erasmus+ programme. Problems with the Erasmus+ programme are self-perceived to a different degree by the respondents. 32% of foreign students who followed the Erasmus programme at a university belonging to the consortium had a problem before their stay and 43% had problems during their stay. Problems decrease after the stay (15%). In the case of those who had a problem before their stay, these problems can be summarized in three, in order of importance: *Insufficient information about the host institution* (35% of cases), *Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution* (33%) and *Insufficient information on the part of my institution* (27% of cases). In addition, those who had a problem during their stay coincide in three main problems: *Academic difficulties* (38% of cases), *Language* (33% of cases) and *Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution* (30% of cases). In the final case of the few students who had a problem after their stay, this is concentrated mainly on *the equivalence of ECTS credits in relation to my University of origin* (41%).



Evaluation and benefits of the Erasmus+ programme. The foreign students surveyed were very satisfied (54%) or quite satisfied (26%) with the experience, leaving 6% very dissatisfied. This magnificent assessment is more related to personal benefits than to academic or work-related ones. Thus, in order of importance, two major benefits emerge: *The possibility of experiencing another country or language* (89% of cases), *Personal development* (78% of cases), falling distant from *Academic benefit* (27% of cases). The degree of satisfaction with the programme is high, in fact, 85% of those who have followed an Erasmus programme would repeat the experience.

SURVEY: INCOMING BACHELOR AND MASTER STUDENTS

European University of the Seas "SEA-EU"



The objective of this survey is to assess different aspects of both study and traineeship Erasmus mobility for Bachelor and Master students visiting the different universities of the consortium. This survey aims to contribute towards improving the mobility process and reducing potential barriers to the process. In this context, the term 'mobility' refers to the action of crossing national borders for study purpose and/or traineeship abroad.

There are 20 questions in this survey

Section 1

1 [1.01]1. Age *

Please choose only one of the following:

- 18 – 24
- 25 – 34
- 35 – 44
- 45 – 54
- 55+

2 [1.02]2. Gender *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Male
- Female
- Diverse

3 [1.03]3. Programme you are enrolled in *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Bachelor
- Master

4 [1.04]4. Type of student mobility you participated in *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Study mobility
- Traineeship mobility (work placement)
- Both

5 [1.05]5. Indicate your country of origin *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Croatia
- France
- Germany
- Malta
- Poland
- Spain
- Other

6 [1.06]6. Indicate your language level for each foreign language you study (or studied) based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

Please choose the appropriate response for each item:

	A1	A2	B1	B2	C1	C2
English	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Spanish	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
French	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
German	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Polish	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Croatian	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please circle as many applicable options

7 [1.07]7. How did you assess your CEFR level(s) selected in Q6? *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Self-assessment
- Online Linguistics Support (OLS)
- TOEFL
- Cambridge English Qualification (FCE, CAE, CPE)
- IELTS
- Other

8 [1.08]8. How did you learn about the Erasmus Plus student mobility programme? *

Please choose all that apply:

- Internet
- Friends/peers
- Promotional material
- University
- Media (TV/radio)
- Youth NGOs
- Political parties
- Other:

Section 2

9 [1.09]9. Why did you participate in an Erasmus Plus programme? *

Please choose all that apply:

- to improve knowledge and skills
- to experience other cultures and meet new people
- to lead an independent life
- to increase my employment opportunities
- Other:

10 [1.10]10. Which country did you go to for your Erasmus experience? *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Croatia
- France
- Germany
- Malta
- Poland
- Spain
- Other

11 [1.11]11. Why did you choose the country selected in Q10 for your Erasmus experience? *

Please choose at most 3 answers:

- There is a prestigious university
- The traineeship consolidated and complemented my work placement
- I wanted to improve my language skills
- I liked the country
- My academic tutors recommended it to me
- My peers recommended it to me
- I have family and/or friends in the country
- It was the only country available
- Other:

12 [1.12]12. Did you encounter challenges before your Erasmus visit? *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Yes
- No

13 [1.13]13. Indicate the challenges you encountered before your Erasmus visit *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was Y'Yes' at question '12 [1.12]' (12. Did you encounter challenges before your Erasmus visit?)

Please choose at most 2 answers:

- Insufficient information about the host institution
- Insufficient information from my home institution
- Insufficient funds to travel
- Insufficient information about my stay and accommodation
- Poor communication with the tutor of my home institution
- Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution
- Other:

14 [1.14]14. Did you encounter any challenges during your Erasmus visit? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was N'No' or 'Yes' at question '12 [1.12]' (12. Did you encounter challenges before your Erasmus visit?) *and* Answer was Y'No' or 'Yes' at question '12 [1.12]' (12. Did you encounter challenges before your Erasmus visit?)

Please choose only one of the following:

- Yes
- No

15 [1.15]15. Indicate the challenges you encountered during your Erasmus visit *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was Y'Yes' at question '14 [1.14]' (14. Did you encounter any challenges during your Erasmus visit?)

Please choose at most 2 answers:

- Academic
- Accommodation
- Language
- Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution
- Integration into the new environment
- Other:

16 [1.16]16. Did you encounter any challenges after your Erasmus visit? *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was N'No' or 'Yes' at question '14 [1.14]' (14. Did you encounter any challenges during your Erasmus visit?) *and* Answer was Y'No' or 'Yes' at question '14 [1.14]' (14. Did you encounter any challenges during your Erasmus visit?)

Please choose only one of the following:

- Yes
- No

17 [1.17]17. Indicate the challenges you encountered after your Erasmus visit *

Only answer this question if the following conditions are met:

° Answer was Y'Yes' at question '16 [1.16]' (16. Did you encounter any challenges after your Erasmus visit?)

Please choose only one of the following:

- No academic recognition of the Erasmus visit
- Equivalence of ECTS in relation to my home institution
- Other

Section 3

18 [1.18]18. On a scale of 1 to 5, rate your Erasmus experience *

Please choose at most 1 answers:

- (1) Very dissatisfied
- (2) Somewhat satisfied
- (3) Satisfied
- (4) Fairly satisfied
- (5) Very satisfied

19 [1.19]19. What are the most positive experiences of your Erasmus visit? *

Please choose at most 3 answers:

- Academic benefits
- Prospective employment
- Reinforcement of my European identity
- Experiencing another country / language
- Leisure and entertainment offered by the host institution/country
- Personal development
- I did not have a positive experience
- Other:

20 [1.20]20. Would you go on another Erasmus mobility programme again? *

Please choose only one of the following:

- Yes
- No
- Not sure

Thank you very much for your collaboration!

Please submit by 04.02.2019 – 00:00

Submit your survey.

Thank you for completing this survey.

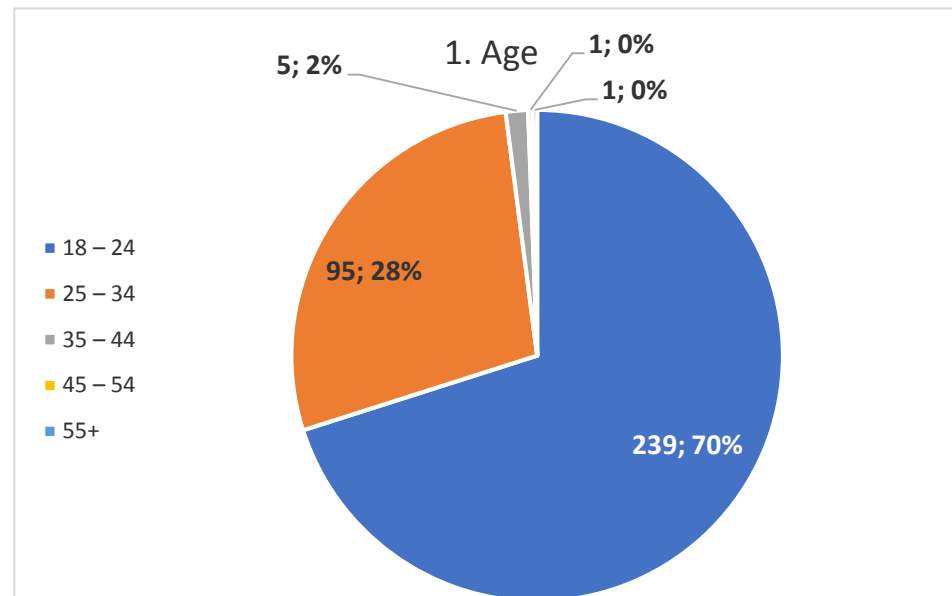
SURVEY: INCOMING BACHELOR AND MASTER STUDENTS.

Full analysis.

Number of records in this query:	341
Total records in survey:	341
Percentage of total:	100.00%

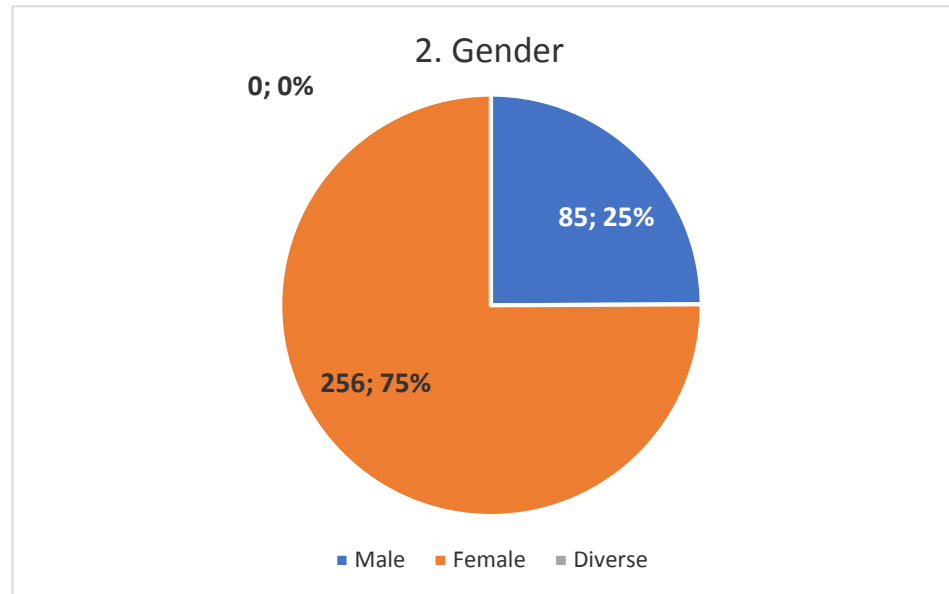
1. Age

Answer	Count	Percentage
18 – 24	239	70,09%
25 – 34	95	27,86%
35 – 44	5	1,47%
45 – 54	1	0,29%
55+	1	0,29%



2. Gender

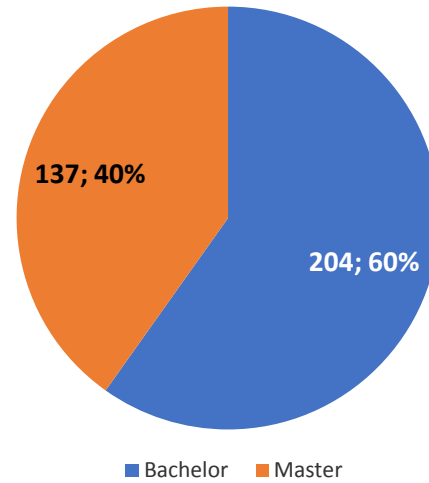
Answer	Count	Percentage
Male	85	24,93%
Female	256	75,07%
Diverse	0	0,00%



3. Programme you are enrolled in

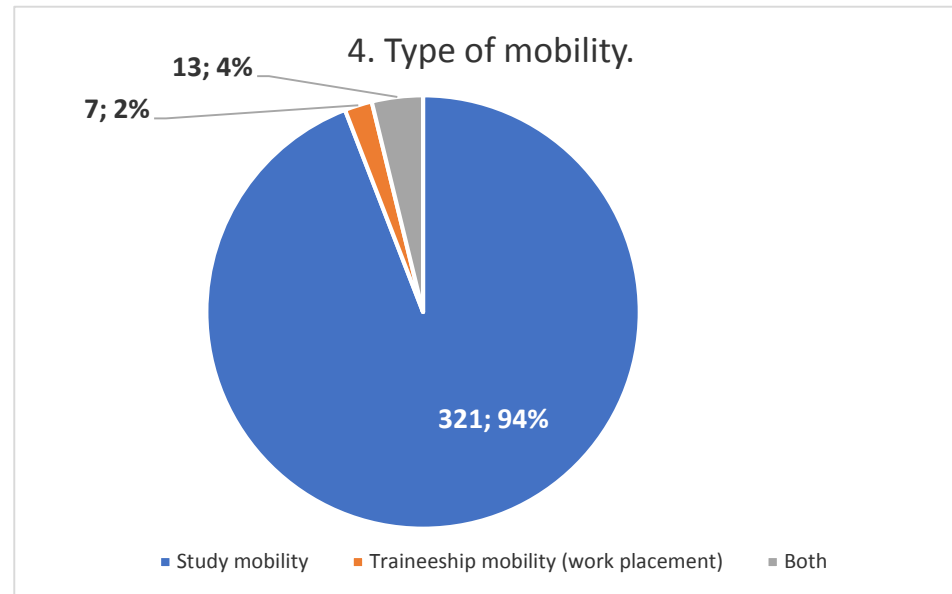
Answer	Count	Percentage
Bachelor	204	59,82%
Master	137	40,18%

3. Programme...



4. Type of student mobility you participated in

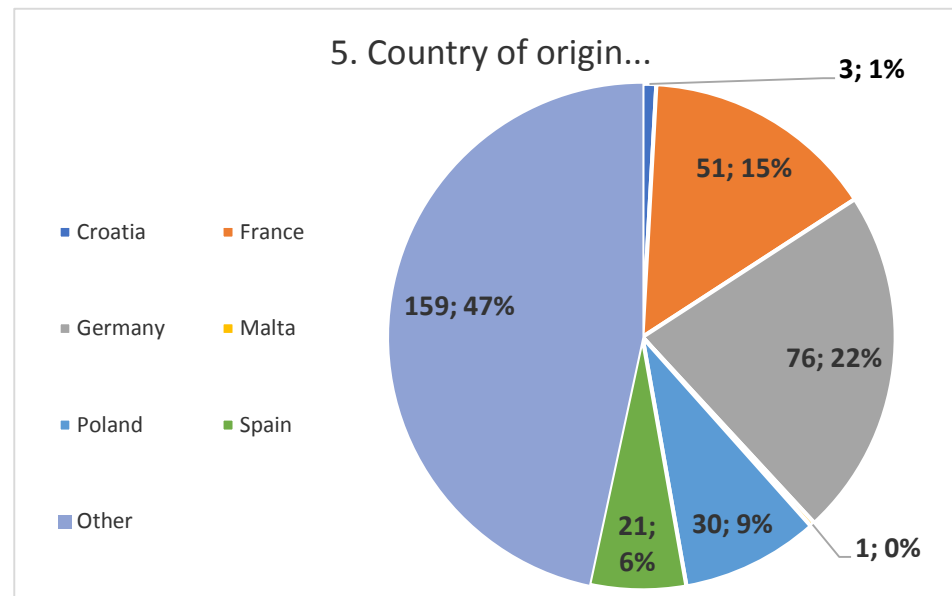
Answer	Count	Percentage
Study mobility	321	94,13%
Traineeship mobility (work placement)	7	2,05%
Both	13	3,81%



5. Indicate your country of origin

Answer	Count	Percentage
Croatia	3	0,88%
France	51	14,96%
Germany	76	22,29%
Malta	1	0,29%
Poland	30	8,80%
Spain	21	6,16%
Other	159	46,63%

[Appendix
2.05](#)



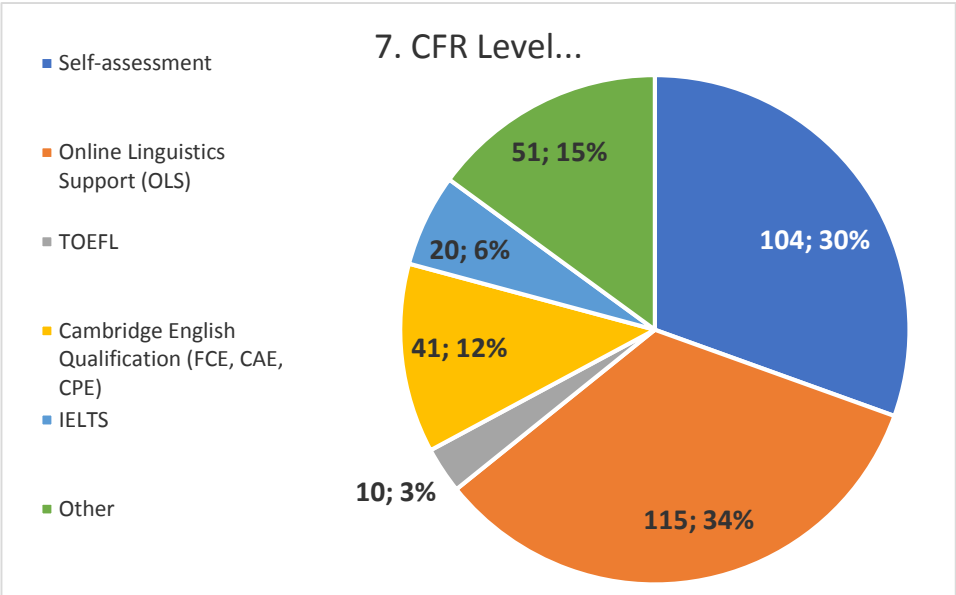
6. Indicate your language level for each foreign language you study (or studied) based on the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR)

Answer	[English]	[English]	[Spanish]	[Spanish]	[French]	[French]	[German]	[German]	[Polish]	[Polish]	[Croatian]	[Croatian]	[Other	[Other
	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Language]	Language]
													Count	Percentage
A1	3	0,88%	14	4,11%	22	6,45%	13	3,81%	0	0,00%	5	1,47%	6	1,76%
A2	6	1,76%	16	4,69%	21	6,16%	15	4,40%	0	0,00%	6	1,76%	10	2,93%
B1	28	8,21%	47	13,78%	31	9,09%	20	5,87%	0	0,00%	2	0,59%	9	2,64%
B2	87	25,51%	67	19,65%	24	7,04%	15	4,40%	0	0,00%	3	0,88%	4	1,17%
C1	143	41,94%	90	26,39%	16	4,69%	14	4,11%	2	0,59%	2	0,59%	4	1,17%
C2	53	15,54%	29	8,50%	43	12,61%	60	17,60%	16	4,69%	1	0,29%	16	4,69%
Without level	21	6,16%	78	22,87%	184	53,96%	204	59,82%	323	94,72%	322	94,43%	292	85,63%

7. How did you assess your CEFR level(s) selected in Q6?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Self-assessment	104	30,50%
Online Linguistics Support (OLS)	115	33,72%
TOEFL	10	2,93%
Cambridge English Qualification (FCE, CAE, CPE)	41	12,02%
IELTS	20	5,87%
Other	51	14,96%

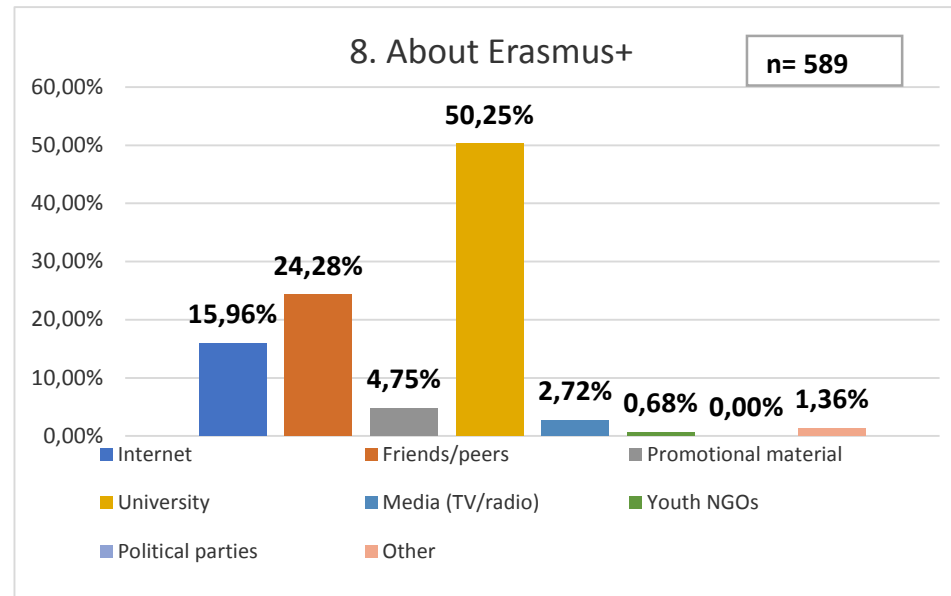
[Appendix 2.07](#)



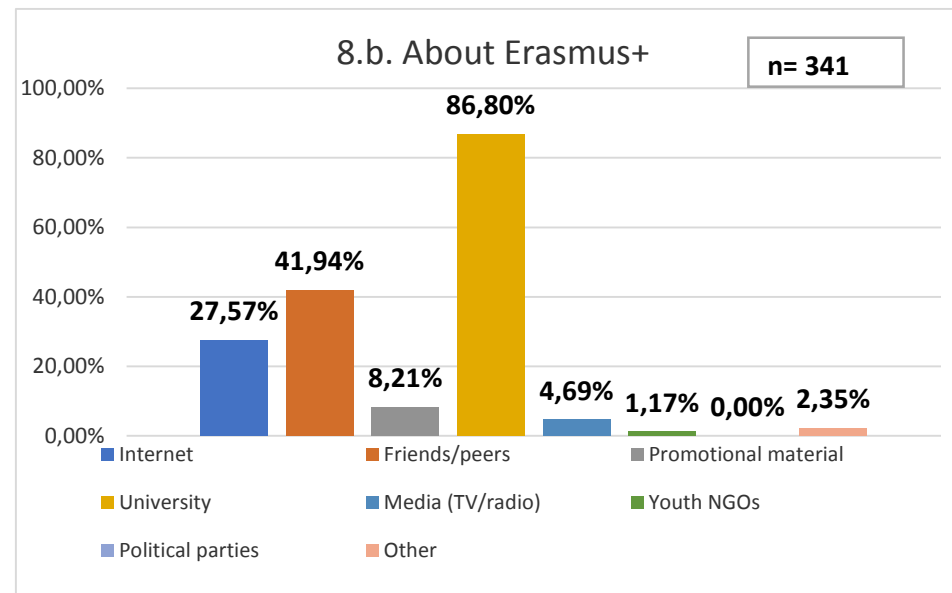
8. How did you learn about the Erasmus Plus student mobility programme?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Internet	94	15,96%
Friends/peers	143	24,28%
Promotional material	28	4,75%
University	296	50,25%
Media (TV/radio)	16	2,72%
Youth NGOs	4	0,68%
Political parties	0	0,00%
Other	8	1,36%

[Appendix 2.08](#)



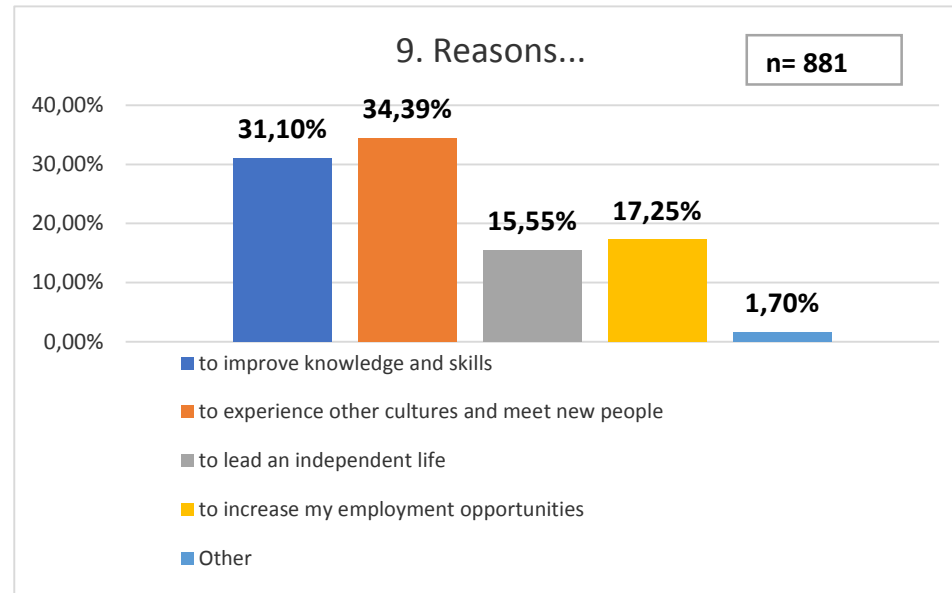
Answer	Count	Cases percentage
Internet	94	27,57%
Friends/peers	143	41,94%
Promotional material	28	8,21%
University	296	86,80%
Media (TV/radio)	16	4,69%
Youth NGOs	4	1,17%
Political parties	0	0,00%
Other	8	2,35%



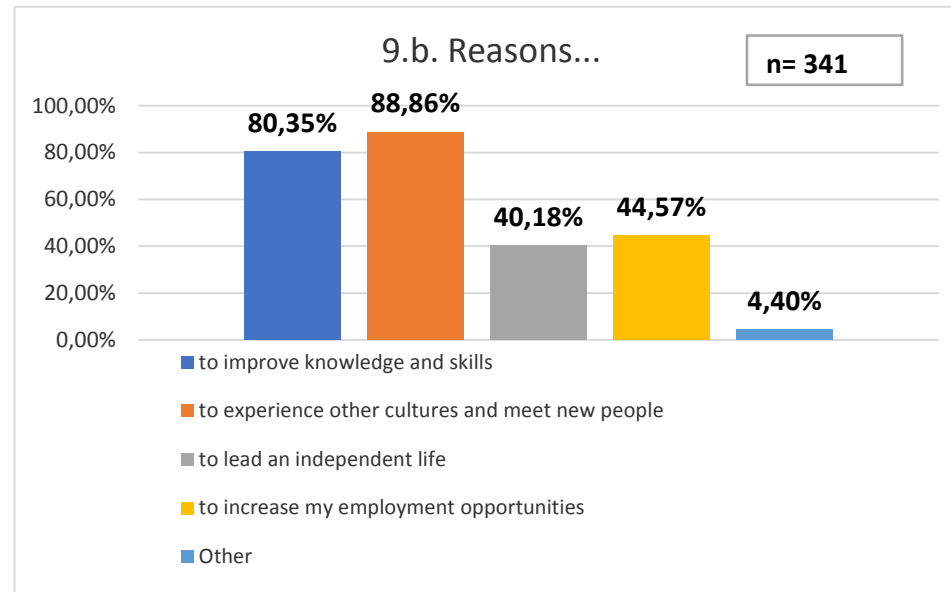
9. Why did you participate in an Erasmus Plus programme?

Answer	Count	Percentage
to improve knowledge and skills	274	31,10%
to experience other cultures and meet new people	303	34,39%
to lead an independent life	137	15,55%
to increase my employment opportunities	152	17,25%
Other	15	1,70%

[Appendix
2.09](#)



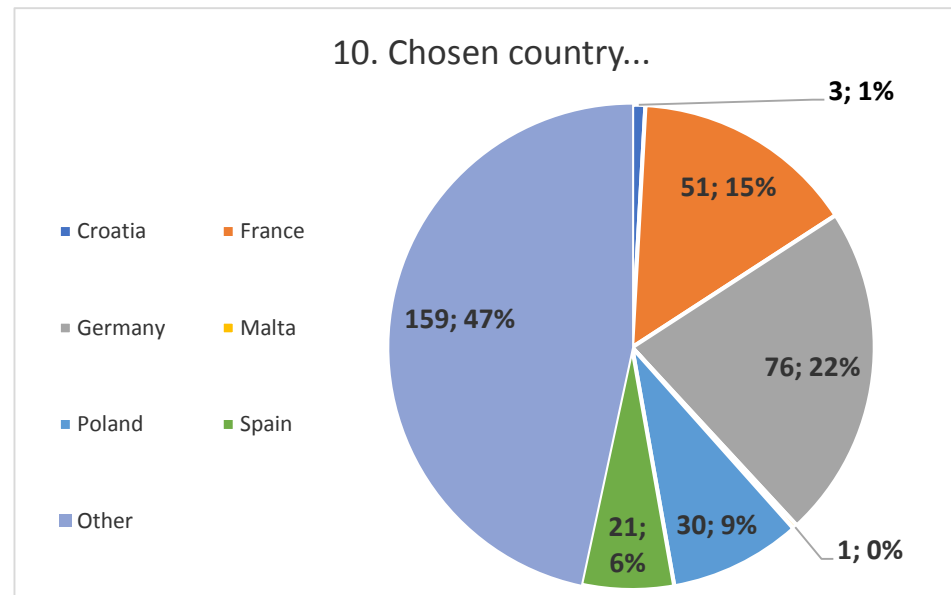
Answer	Count	Cases percentage
to improve knowledge and skills	274	80,35%
to experience other cultures and meet new people	303	88,86%
to lead an independent life	137	40,18%
to increase my employment opportunities	152	44,57%
Other	15	4,40%



10. Which country did you go to for your Erasmus experience?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Croatia	31	9,09%
France	26	7,62%
Germany	46	13,49%
Malta	0	0,00%
Poland	1	0,29%
Spain	230	67,45%
Other	7	2,05%

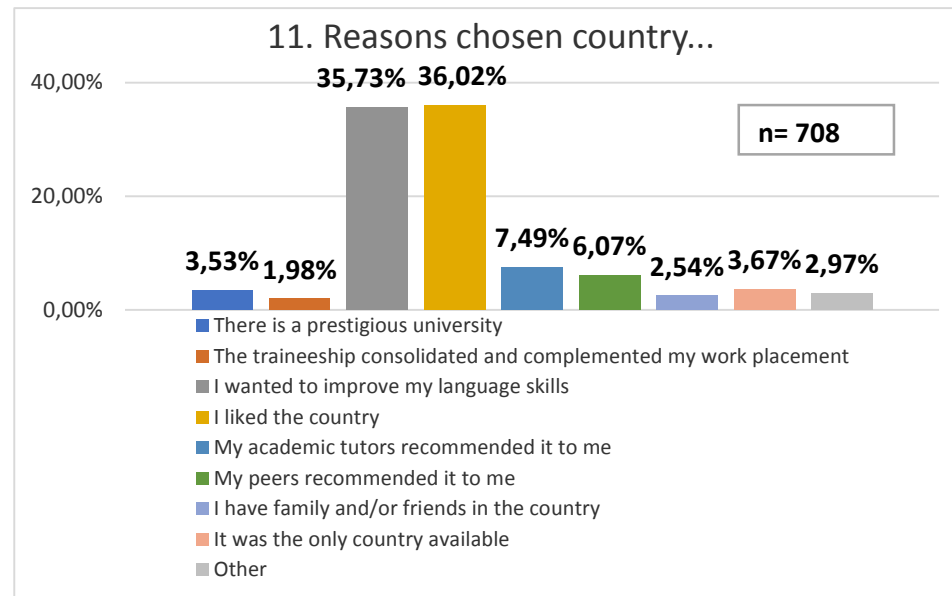
[Appendix 2.10](#)



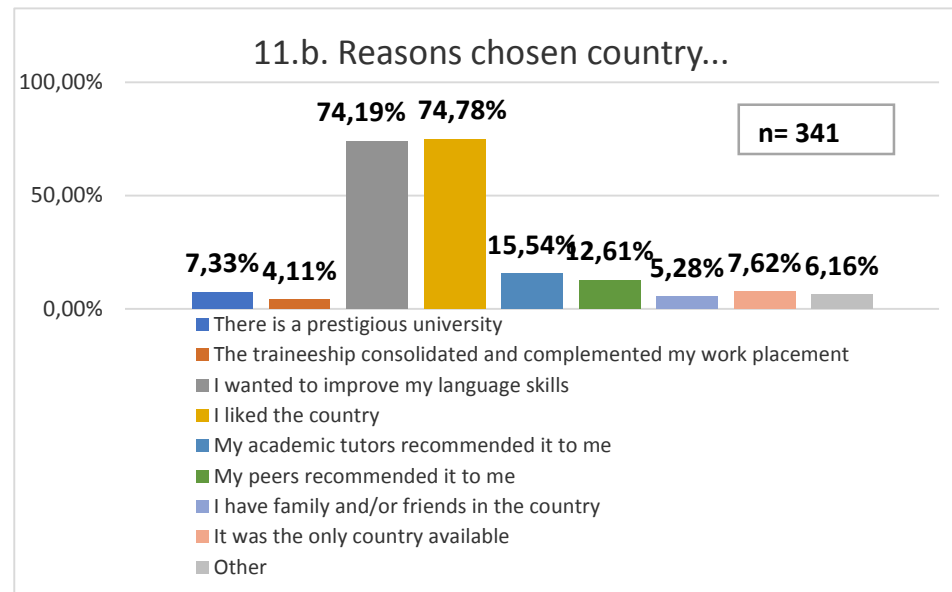
11. Why did you choose the country selected in Q10 for your Erasmus experience?

Answer	Count	Percentage
There is a prestigious university	25	3,53%
The traineeship consolidated and complemented my work placement	14	1,98%
I wanted to improve my language skills	253	35,73%
I liked the country	255	36,02%
My academic tutors recommended it to me	53	7,49%
My peers recommended it to me	43	6,07%
I have family and/or friends in the country	18	2,54%
It was the only country available	26	3,67%
Other	21	2,97%

[Appendix 2.11](#)

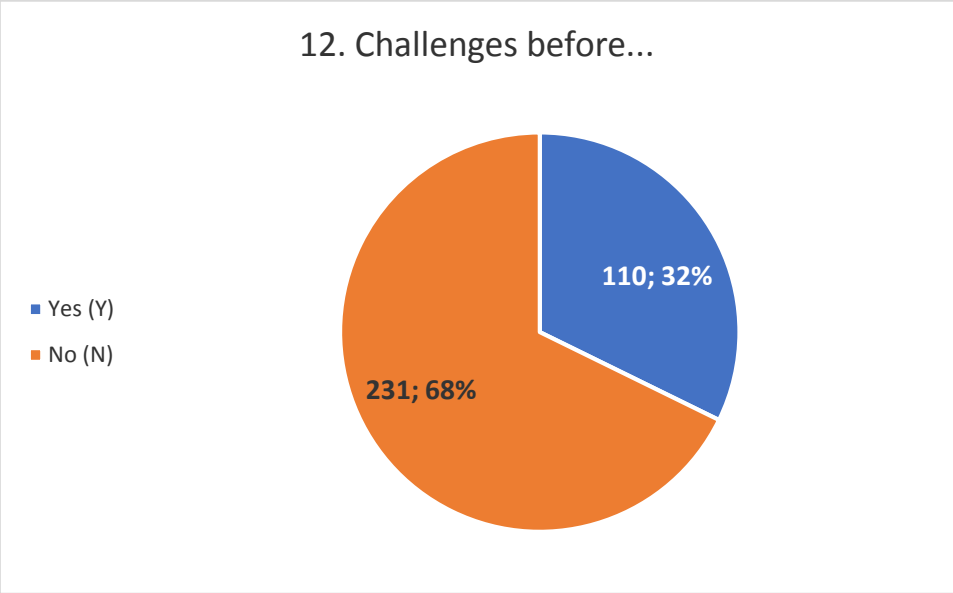


Answer	Count	Cases percentage
There is a prestigious university	25	7,33%
The traineeship consolidated and complemented my work placement	14	4,11%
I wanted to improve my language skills	253	74,19%
I liked the country	255	74,78%
My academic tutors recommended it to me	53	15,54%
My peers recommended it to me	43	12,61%
I have family and/or friends in the country	18	5,28%
It was the only country available	26	7,62%
Other	21	6,16%



12. Did you encounter challenges before your Erasmus visit?

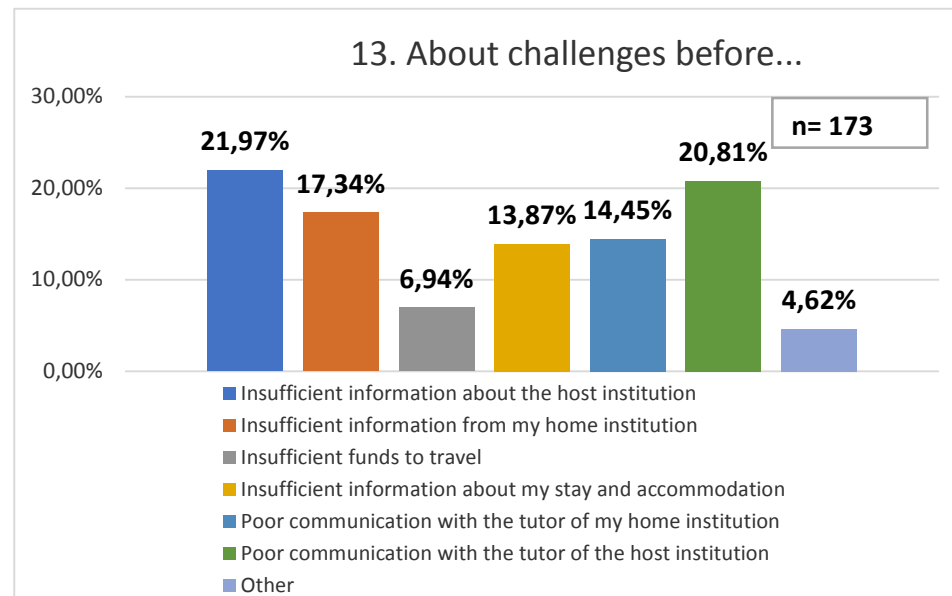
Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (Y)	110	32,26%
No (N)	231	67,74%



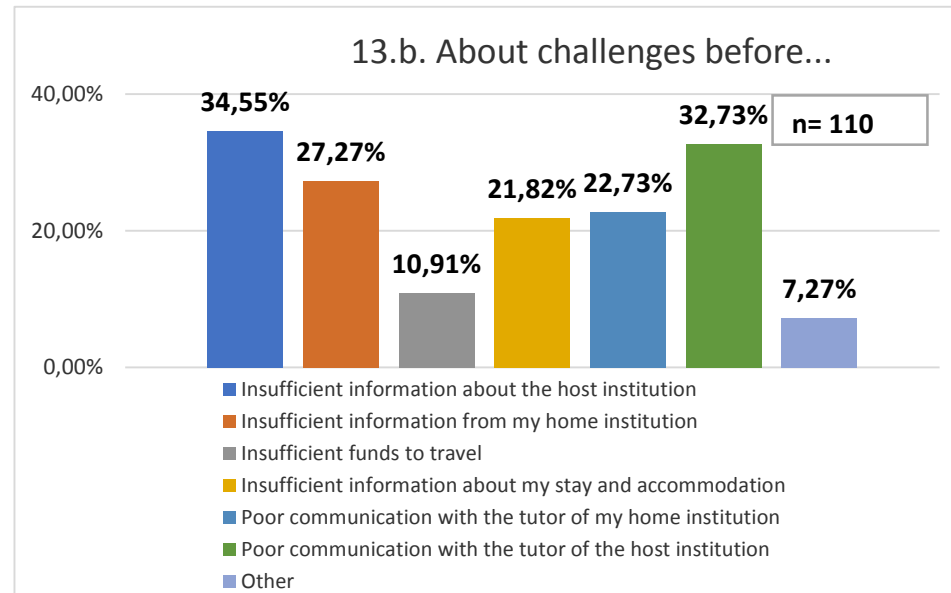
13. Indicate the challenges you encountered before your Erasmus visit

Answer	Count	Percentage
Insufficient information about the host institution	38	21,97%
Insufficient information from my home institution	30	17,34%
Insufficient funds to travel	12	6,94%
Insufficient information about my stay and accommodation	24	13,87%
Poor communication with the tutor of my home institution	25	14,45%
Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution	36	20,81%
Other	8	4,62%

[Appendix 2.13](#)

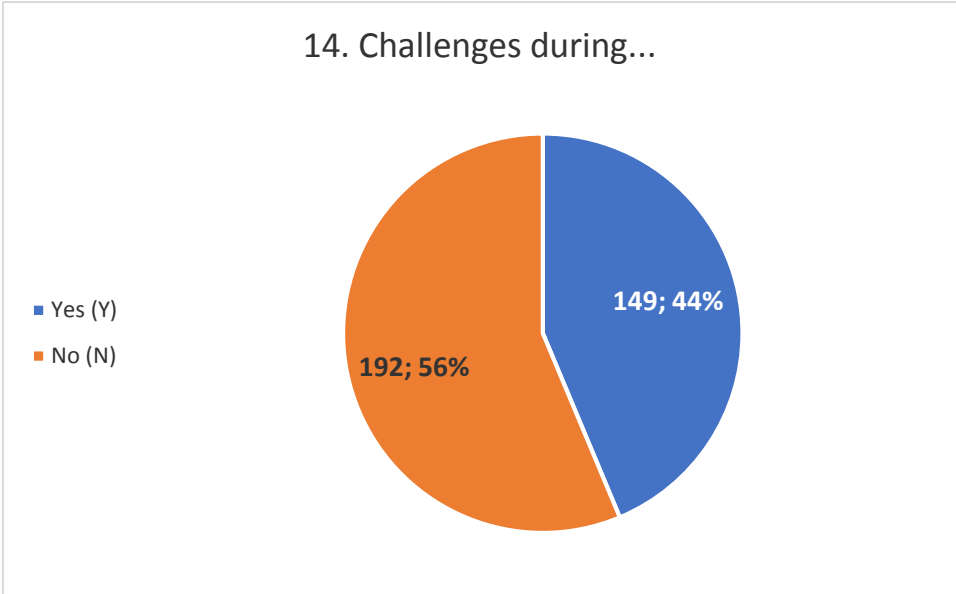


Answer	Count	Cases percentage
Insufficient information about the host institution	38	34,55%
Insufficient information from my home institution	30	27,27%
Insufficient funds to travel	12	10,91%
Insufficient information about my stay and accommodation	24	21,82%
Poor communication with the tutor of my home institution	25	22,73%
Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution	36	32,73%
Other	8	7,27%



14. Did you encounter any challenges during your Erasmus visit?

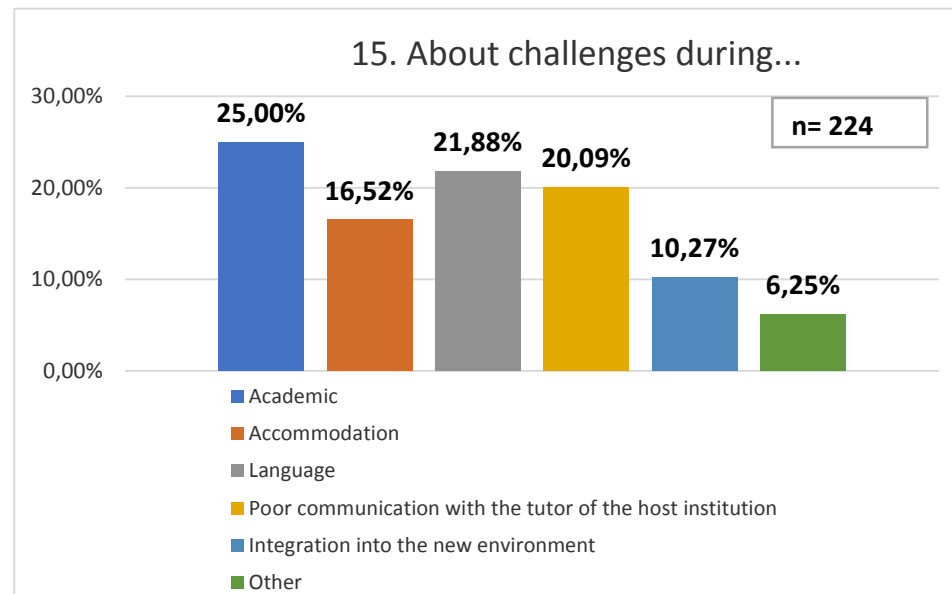
Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (Y)	149	43,70%
No (N)	192	56,30%



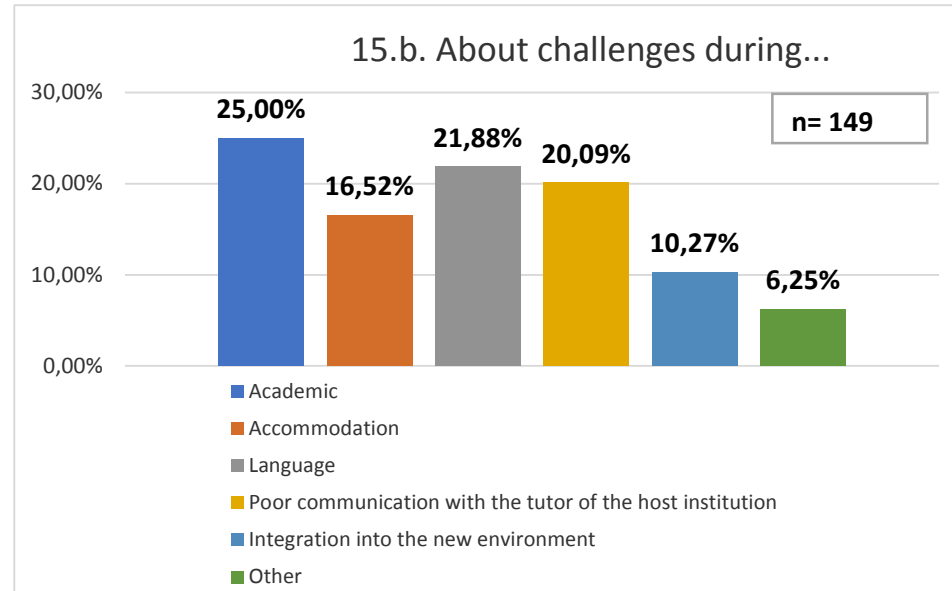
15. Indicate the challenges you encountered during your Erasmus visit

Answer	Count	Percentage
Academic	56	25,00%
Accommodation	37	16,52%
Language	49	21,88%
Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution	45	20,09%
Integration into the new environment	23	10,27%
Other	14	6,25%

[Appendix 2.15](#)

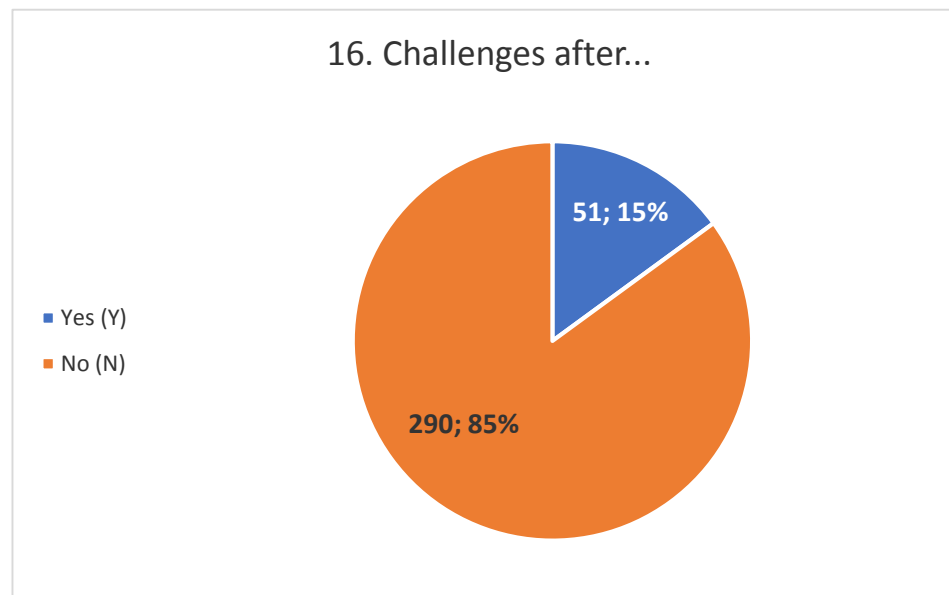


Answer	Count	Cases percentage
Academic	56	37,58%
Accommodation	37	24,83%
Language	49	32,89%
Poor communication with the tutor of the host institution	45	30,20%
Integration into the new environment	23	15,44%
Other	14	9,40%



16. Did you encounter any challenges after your Erasmus visit?

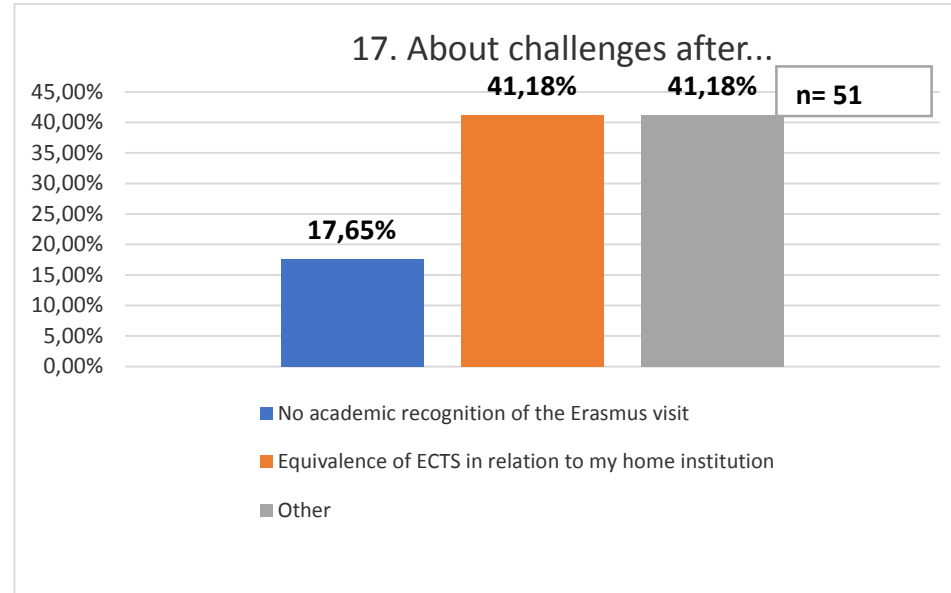
Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes (Y)	51	14,96%
No (N)	290	85,04%



17. Indicate the challenges you encountered after your Erasmus visit

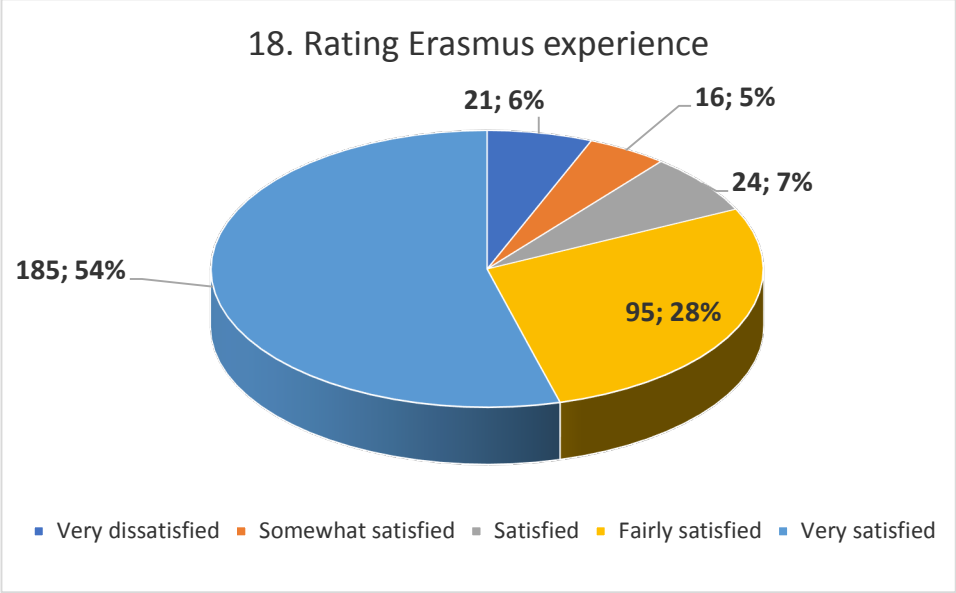
Answer	Count	Percentage
No academic recognition of the Erasmus visit	9	17,65%
Equivalence of ECTS in relation to my home institution	21	41,18%
Other	21	41,18%

[Appendix
2.17](#)



18. On a scale of 1 to 5, rate your Erasmus experience

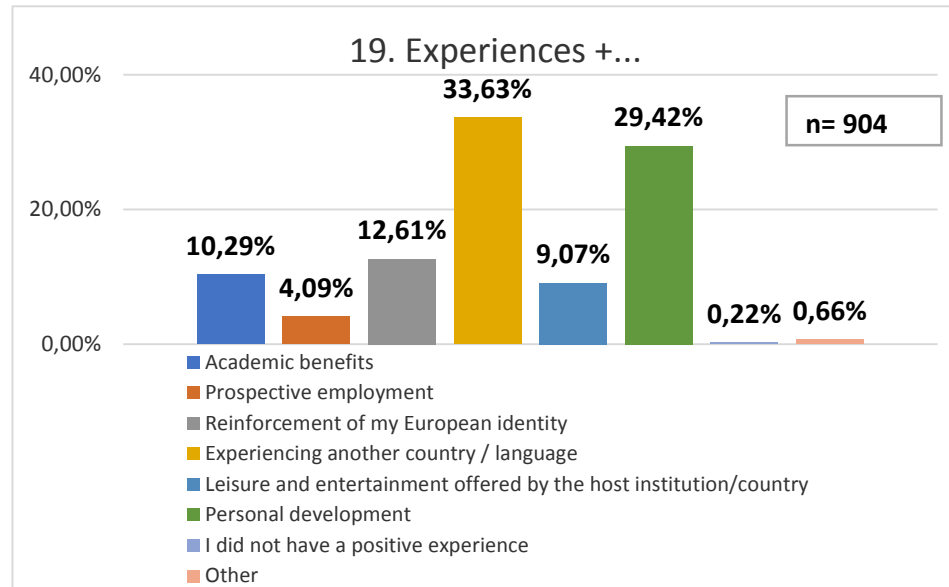
Answer	Count	Percentage
Very dissatisfied	21	6,16%
Somewhat satisfied	16	4,69%
Satisfied	24	7,04%
Fairly satisfied	95	27,86%
Very satisfied	185	54,25%



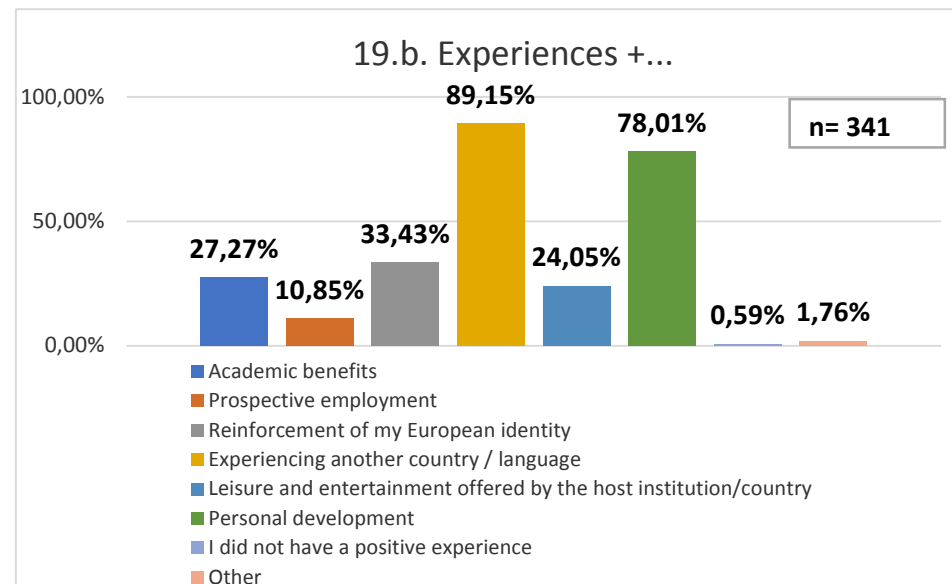
19. What are the most positive experiences of your Erasmus visit?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Academic benefits	93	10,29%
Prospective employment	37	4,09%
Reinforcement of my European identity	114	12,61%
Experiencing another country / language	304	33,63%
Leisure and entertainment offered by the host institution/country	82	9,07%
Personal development	266	29,42%
I did not have a positive experience	2	0,22%
Other	6	0,66%

[Appendix 2.19](#)



Answer	Count	Cases percentage
Academic benefits	93	27,27%
Prospective employment	37	10,85%
Reinforcement of my European identity	114	33,43%
Experiencing another country / language	304	89,15%
Leisure and entertainment offered by the host institution/country	82	24,05%
Personal development	266	78,01%
I did not have a positive experience	2	0,59%
Other	6	1,76%



20. Would you go on another Erasmus mobility programme again?

Answer	Count	Percentage
Yes	289	84,75%
No	23	6,74%
Not sure	29	8,50%

