





### **OBJECTIVE OF THE MASTER PROGRAM**

The objective of the Master in European Project Planning and Management is to provide participants with the skills to work successfully in international cooperation through European funding programs. The Master **Program** is organised into two main modules:

#### **Module 1) European Project Planning**

- European policies and funding opportunities
- Matching ideas with funding Programs
- Information Sources
- Understanding calls for proposal
- Development of effective project ideas
- The project planning process
- Creation of transnational partnerships
- Planning the project budget
- Filling in Application Forms
- Financial planning and budget development
- Project self-assessment
- Quality issues and best practice
- The project submission process
- Award and selection criteria

#### **Module 2) European Project Management**

- Contractual Procedures and Amendments
- Project Management Cycle
- Time management and Gantt charts
- Calendars and Templates
- The Logical Framework Approach
- Management methodologies
- International partnerships management
- Risk management and Quality Assurance
- Communication and leadership
- Monitoring the project development
- Dissemination and sustainability
- Administrative and Financial Management
- Creation and delivery of project reports
- Auditing of European projects







### A TRULY INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM

The first edition of the Master's Program was organised in 2012. Since then, 250 graduate students of **40 nationalities** worldwide have been involved.

Lecturers come from several European countries, and internships are organised in 20 countries throughout Europe.







### **INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS**

International internships are guaranteed for all participants enrolled in the Master's Program.

During the internship, the Master's students work as Assistant European Project Managers at one of the partner organisations of the Master's Program. The organisations hosting the students are all actively involved in European and International projects. The internship, therefore, allows the Master's students to put into practice the skills acquired through direct involvement in the planning and management of European and International projects.

Internships are organised, taking into account the **profiles, needs and expectations** of each participant and each host organisation to make the internship experience very beneficial for both.

Internships can be organised **onsite**, directly at the premises of the host organisation, or **online**, depending on each student's availability.







## **SKILLS ACQUIRED**

The Master Program provides participants with the skills to:

- Analyse the current European funding opportunities and calls for proposal
- Identify relevant information sources
- Match ideas with funding Programs to develop relevant project proposals
- Create transnational project partnerships
- Fill in application forms for the submission of European projects
- Plan quality assurance strategies
- Manage the European project's activities
- Develop logical frameworks and manage the project life cycle

- Maintain relations with the partnership and with the European Commission / Agencies
- Reach the project objectives and produce the expected deliverables
- Monitor and evaluate the project
- Promote the dissemination and sustainability of the project
- Carry out an effective project financial management
- Produce project activities and financial reports
- Prepare for audits







## **TARGET GROUP**

The Master's Program is addressed to graduate students interested in **pursuing an international career**. The Master's Program is open to participants from all over the world.

The prerequisites to access the Master Program are:

- University Diploma or Degree
- Good knowledge of English.







### **TEACHING STAFF**

The trainers involved in the International Master in European Project Planning and Management represent several European countries. They all have **20** to **30** years of experience planning, managing, evaluating and auditing European projects.

The trainers involved are senior European project planners, senior European project managers, officers of the European Commission, officers of the National Agencies managing the current European Programs, and evaluators for the European Commission and the National Agencies.







## ORGANIZATION, DATES, DURATION

#### Methodology

The approach used for both the classroom and online solutions is based on a constant integration of theory with **practical, hands-on experiences**.

**Practical simulations** are carried out for each topic analysed. The practical simulations also make use of the services, databases and documentation made available online by the European Commission and its Agencies.

#### Location

The classroom-based part of the Master's Program is held at Pixel in Florence (Italy). Pixel headquarters are near the historic city centre of Florence.

The online Program is organised via a dedicated distance learning platform.

Internships are held, online or onsite, at the headquarters of the partner organisations based in 20 different countries in the European Union.

#### **Dates**

Each new edition of the International Master in European Project Planning and Management starts in mid-October every year and ends five months later, in mid-March of the following year.

Asynchronous online students can start anytime.

#### **Duration**

The Master Program has a total duration of 5 months (800 hours) and is organised as follows:

- Two months of classroom/online course and project work. The classroom/online-based training has a duration of 8 hours a day, every day, Monday to Friday.
- Three months of internship in public or private organisations based throughout Europe







## ONLINE AND ONSITE ATTENDANCE OPTIONS

The Master is offered either as an **onsite-based** or **online-based Program**. It is up to each student to decide whether to enrol for the online or onsite course.

The onsite Program is held in Florence (Italy).

The **online Program** is organised, at the same time as the classroom Program, via a **dedicated e-learning platform**.

It is possible to attend the online Program either synchronously or asynchronously.

All lectures are recorded, and all teaching materials and documents are available online, so it is possible to access both the lectures and materials anytime and asynchronously. Students can also ask questions asynchronously by contacting the tutor of the Master's Program, who will respond the day after.







## **CAREER DESTINATIONS**

Career destinations of participants include working worldwide for:

- International Organisations and European Agencies
- Public Authorities and Universities
- Consulting Companies and Private Enterprises

90% of the students involved in the previous editions of the Master's Program are currently working as international project managers worldwide.



### THE PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Master's Program is organised by Pixel, an international education institution, in cooperation with international partners. Pixel was established in Florence (Italy) in 1999 and had relevant expertise and experience in:

- Planning and Management of European Projects. Pixel successfully planned and managed over 150 projects funded by the European Commission in the areas of education, research and innovation.
- Delivering international education and training initiatives
  Pixel organises international in-service training courses. Some of these courses have been provided in over 40 editions so far.
- Organisation of international conferences in the field of Higher Education
  Pixel organises international conferences in the field of Higher Education. Participants come from over 50 countries worldwide.

More information about Pixel is available at http://www.pixel-online.net.



## WHY CHOOSE THIS MASTER PROGRAM?

#### 6 Good Reasons to enrol:

- 1) Guaranteed International internships in 20 countries.
- 2) **90% of the students** involved in the previous editions are **currently working as international project managers** all over the world.
- 3) A truly international environment to network with students coming from all over the world.
- 4) Constant integration of theory with practical, hands-on experiences.
- 5) **International teaching staff with long experience** in planning, managing, and evaluating European projects.
- 6) The **experience and expertise of the Coordinator.** Pixel has 25 years of experience in European project management and was directly involved in over 150 European and international projects.







### A LIFE CHANGING EXPERIENCE

The Master's Program was a life-changing experience for most of the participants.



The Master served as a huge input in my further career growth and life itself. Ani, **Armenia** 



Enrolling in the Master was one of the best decisions of my life. Guillermo, **Paraguay** 



The knowledge gained during the Master has meant an enormous added value for my professional career.

Patricia, **Spain** 



Attending this Master's Program was a significant milestone in my career and one of the best periods in my life.

Gerasimos, Greece



The Master had inestimable value for my career. Annalisa, **Italy** 



The Master was the best way to start my career in the field of European Project Management. José Paulo, **Portugal** 



The Master was a great step for my career. Betime, **Kosovo** 



It was an extraordinary experience for me. Joel, **Liberia** 



The Master was one of the best decisions I have ever made in the field of EU project management training.

Igor, Slovenia



The experience gained during the Master allowed me to enter the job market, and I started working as an international project officer.

Federica, Italy



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## **ENROLMENT**

The enrolment fee is 3 800 euro.

It includes: participation in the Master's Program, teaching material, the organisation of the international internship.

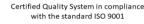
The Registration Form is available on the Master Program website at https://europlan.pixel-online.org/master

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