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Dear Ms Antonija Gladovic,

Thank you for your letter on the current state of play regarding specific application procedures by Croatian universities and faculties to the Erasmus+ programme, as well as the detailed plan on further activities regarding this issue.

We recognise that this is a complex matter that requires various adaptations at various levels of the Croatian higher education system. In this respect, we very much welcome the commitment of the NAU and the NA in finding a sustainable long term solution that would eventually facilitate the single application to the Erasmus+ programme by Croatian universities.

In this context, we suggest to continue applying the special provisions from the 2016 call to the 2017 and 2018 calls, i.e.:

- For all decentralised projects (except Strategic partnerships), Croatian HEIs should apply exclusively using the PIC of the university that is linked to the Erasmus code for Higher Education.
- For all other projects, including Strategic partnerships, allow Croatian faculties to apply with their own PIC, provided that they have a project related statement signed by the Rector/President of the higher education institution, authorising them to commit the whole institution, and mentioning the Erasmus code of the university so as to facilitate the eligibility check. It is technically possible, as it has been the case for the 2014 and 2015 calls

However, we do expect that the Croatian National Authority and the National Agency will enable the single application of Croatian universities for Erasmus+ actions as from 2019 call, as this is already the case in all other Erasmus+ programme countries.

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