

Overview of current discussions on key mobility benchmark aspects, situation:

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I:2020 20 target

Dimension	Bologna Working Group on Mobility	European Commission
1. Direction of mobility flow (inbound, outbound)	Base the 2020 20 benchmark on outbound mobility, but to collect data on inbound mobility as additional information and for analysing the balance of mobility flows and as a basis for possible future targets.	
2. Short term/credit mobility versus long term/degree mobility	In order to cover mobility in a comprehensive way and in line it is proposed to include both credit and degree mobility.	
3. Minimum duration of mobility	In order to ensure the quality of mobility as regards data on credit mobility the duration will be at least 3 months or 15 credit points. The duration of degree mobility would be the minimum defined by the UOE data collection rules..	
4. Physical or virtual mobility	Limit benchmark to physical mobility. In line with the Council Conclusions and the Bologna Communiqué the benchmark should focus on physical mobility.	
5. Students or graduates	Base benchmark on graduates.	
6. Graduation level	Base the mobility benchmark on the graduates from all three cycles, but mobility will be measured for the programme the student completes.	
7. Foreign students versus mobile students	Follow the dimensions and definition of “mobile students” (prior education abroad or prior residence abroad) decided within the UOE data collection. Prior education should have priority over prior residence if both are available. Include homecoming students if their prior residence or education was abroad.	
8. Geographic scope	Benchmark: those graduating in the EHEA. Supplementary indicator: take into account, whenever possible, all mobility of European learners (degree and credit mobility), whether it is within the EHEA or outside the EHEA.	Benchmark: all mobility of European learners (degree and credit mobility), whether it is within the EHEA or outside the EHEA. Supplementary indicator: those graduating in the EHEA

II. Possible future targets:

Both the Bologna process and the EU will continue discussions on a target for inbound mobility along the dimensions mentioned above.