Student mobility
A project to facilitate and stimulate student exchange within The Netherlands.

The zone Flexible education of the Dutch National Acceleration Plan Educational Innovation with ICT started this project together with SURF with the aim to create a joint ecosystem, where there is vibrant student exchange on individual courses between the institutions.

A pilot will take place within the alliance of TU/e, WUR, UU, and UMCU where the institutions will use each other’s expertise, not only by (creating) joint education, but also by making each other’s courses and challenges accessible for all our students.

Current issues that hamper student exchange
- Education is time and place dependent;
- Differences in course information that is provided;
- Our Student Information Systems (SISs) are not connected;
- Rules and regulations concerning application, exams, re-sits, etc. differ per institute.

Aims of this project
- Redesign courses to make them (more) time- and place-independent;
- Make one website/portal which provides all necessary course information;
- Develop a new architecture to exchange SIS data, with the student in control of its data;
- Strive for common rules, clearly communicate on differences.

Three (sub)projects
1. Course portfolio (project coordinators from the three institutions in lead):
   - Create an attractive portfolio (+/- 15 courses);
   - Redesign courses;
   - Solve policy and administrative issues.
2. Infrastructure (SURF in lead):
   - Create platform (website) where student can see the course offerings of the involved institutes;
   - A digital EduID through which the student can enroll for courses and can be identified;
   - A system that allows the exchange of the required information under the authorisation of the student;
   - A connection between the SIS of the three institutes to exchange the required information.
3. Implementation, dissemination, and evaluation (review group in lead).

Timeline
Until September 2021: Creating course portfolio, redesigning courses and building the required infrastructure.
2021/2022: Start pilot.
From 2022 onwards: Scale-up (as well national).

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