

Opportunities at a glance: the international dimension

This easy-to-use guide is designed to show you how much support and funding is available to help bring internationalism alive in your school. Read down the columns for details of individual programmes, along with information on grants, application deadlines and useful websites.

Programmes	Who is this for?	Description	Which Countries?	Managed by?	Funded by?	Funding Available	Application Deadlines	Joint Projects	Professional Development	Pupil Mobility	Further Information
2-week Primary	Primary School staff introducing or expanding language learning at Key Stage 2	2 Weeks abroad, training in the country of the language taught -1 week language lessons, 1 week job shadowing.	France, Spain, Germany, Italy	British Council	DCSF	Up to 2500 Euros to support travel and training, up to £525 supply cover contribution.	16 Jan 09 (activity starts 1 April); 30 April 09 (activity starts 1 Sep 09); 15 Sep 09 (activity starts 1 January 2010)		✓		www.britishcouncil.org/comenius-primary-teacher-project
Comenius Assistants	Intending and trainee teachers	Assistants from across Europe	30 countries within Europe	British Council	European Commission	Grants paid to assistant - no cost to school	One annual deadline on 30 January 09				www.britishcouncil.org/comenius
Comenius In-service Training	Schools UK-wide	1-6 week courses or jobshadowing	30 countries within Europe	British Council	European Commission	Grants for course fees, international travel and subsistence	16 January; 30 April; 15 September		✓		www.britishcouncil.org/comenius
Comenius Preparatory visits & seminars	Local authorities and schools UK-wide	1-5 days visit to Europe to establish a Comenius Partnership with an eligible institution	30 countries within Europe	British Council	European Commission	Grant to cover travel costs and subsistence rates in country of visit	2010 tbc		✓		www.britishcouncil.org/comenius
Comenius Regio Partnerships	Local authorities UK-wide	Partnerships between local authorities across Europe, including schools and other agencies	30 countries within Europe	British Council	European Commission	Grants for project management, international travel and subsistence	One deadline on 20 February	✓	✓		www.britishcouncil.org/comenius
Comenius School Partnerships	Teachers and pupils UK-wide	Enable pupils, students and staff from across Europe to work together on joint projects for a 2 year duration.	30 countries within Europe	British Council	European Commission	Grants for project management, international travel and subsistence	One deadline on 20 February	✓	✓	✓	www.britishcouncil.org/comenius
Commonwealth Teacher Exchange	Teachers and headteachers UK-wide	Links, study visits and teacher exchanges	All countries in Commonwealth	LECT	DCSF	Grants for international travel and subsistence	Various deadlines		✓		www.lect.org.uk
Connecting Classrooms	Teachers and pupils UK-wide	Collaborative projects between UK schools and partners in other countries	Worldwide	British Council	British Council	Grants for project management, international travel and accommodation	Programme to be launched Spring 2009	✓	✓	✓	www.britishcouncil.org/connectingclassrooms
DCSF Global Gateway	Teachers and headteachers UK-wide	One-stop shop for all International programmes for schools including partner finding	All countries	British Council	DCSF	Free	No deadline	✓	✓		www.globalgateway.org
DCSF International School Award	Teachers and headteachers UK-wide	Accreditation scheme recognising schools' International work	Involves all countries	British Council	DCSF	Free	Full ISA - November; no deadlines for Foundation or Intermediate awards	✓	✓		www.globalgateway.org/isa
DCSF Teachers' International Professional Development	Teachers England only	Short international study visits to look at alternative teaching practice overseas	70 countries across the world	British Council, SSAT, CfBT-LECT, HTI Leadership Centre	DCSF	Managed funding for international travel and accommodation	Various deadlines		✓		www.globalgateway.org/tipd
DFID Global School Partnerships	Teachers and pupils UK-wide	Joint curricular projects with schools in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and Latin America	Countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and Latin America	British Council, Cambridge Education Foundation, VSO, UKOWLA	DFID	Grants for reciprocal visits and joint projects	March, May and November	✓	✓	✓	www.britishcouncil.org/globalschools
eLanguages	Teachers and pupils UK-wide	Online programme enabling schools to work with other partners internationally	Worldwide	British Council	DCSF	Free	None	✓	✓		www.elanguages.org
eTwinning	Teachers and pupils UK-wide	A free ICT platform used by educational staff to find partner schools, share resources and develop joint projects	Europe-wide	British Council	European Commission	Free	None	✓	✓		www.etwinning.net
Fulbright UK-US Teacher Exchange	Teachers UK-wide	Teacher exchanges between UK and US	United States	British Council	DCSF	Grants for international travel	One annual deadline (December)		✓		www.britishcouncil.org/learning-fulbright
Language Assistants	Primary and secondary schools UK-wide	Assistance in teaching MFL from native speakers	Mainly Europe also China, Japan, Latin America, Oman, Russia	British Council	DCSF & other UK departments	Assistants are employed by school	Assistants apply by 1 December, Schools apply by 6 March				www.britishcouncil.org/languageassistants
Lefèvre	UK-wide	Funding for young people to visit partner groups in France	France	British Council		Grants for travel to France and for reciprocal visits	3 deadlines per year in January, June & October	✓		✓	www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-france-lefevre-trust
Prime Minister's Global Fellowship	School and college leavers aged 18 - 19	Opportunity for young people to experience life in emerging market economies	India, Brazil, China	British Council	DCSF	For travel, subsistence and accommodation	17th February 2009			✓	www.global-fellowship.org
School & Area Linking Visits	Teachers and Headteachers from England and Wales only	Visits for individual school teachers or Local Authority led clusters to other countries to develop partnerships and joint curriculum projects	All countries	British Council	DCSF & DCELLS	For travel, subsistence and accommodation	Once a term on 1st Feb, May and Oct	✓	✓		www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-study-visit-funding
World Links & Partnerships	Teachers & pupils England only	Bilateral links that may include mobility, joint curriculum projects or have a language focus.	China, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Portugal and Spain	British Council	DCSF	Grants for project management, international travel and accommodation	One deadline per term	✓	✓	✓	www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships



Abbreviations: BPN Best Practice Network, DCSF Department for Children, Schools and Families, DFID Department for International Development, FCO Foreign and Commonwealth Office, LECT League for the Exchange of Commonwealth Teachers, SSAT Specialist Schools and Academy Trust, DCELLS Department for Children, Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills