



# Atlas

Atlas is a programme for educational institutions interested in global networking and practical training exchanges.

Atlas is intended for teachers and employees as well as pupils and students at pre-schools, primary schools, secondary schools and further education colleges.

The purpose of Atlas is:

- To promote the teachers' and school management's international contacts.
- To support the school's efforts to achieve the objectives of the school syllabus, in particular those objectives that would benefit from international collaboration.
- To promote the development of further education by offering students of occupational preparatory programmes the possibility to spend part of their programme as a workplace training in a foreign country.

Atlas makes it possible:

- To prepare collaboration with foreign educational institutions or practical training-periods (Atlas Preparatory Visits).
- To attend and participate in conferences (Atlas Conference).
- To work in partnership with other countries all over the world (Atlas Partnership).
- To arrange practical training-periods anywhere in the world (Atlas Practical Training).

## Atlas Preparatory Visits

Atlas Preparatory Visits is aiming at pre-schools, schools and institutions for further education that wish to establish and plan collaboration with schools and institutions all over the world.

This could mean:

- Planning a project for collaboration with a pre-school, school or any other educational institution abroad. When it comes to countries outside the EU/EEA including OECD countries there is also the possibility to invite the intended partner school or institution in order to plan the project together.
- Visiting pre-schools, schools or other educational institutions in order to establish contacts for future collaboration. This is, however, only possible for countries outside the EU/EEA.
- Visiting companies and organisations in order to plan practical training-periods abroad.

## Atlas Conference

Atlas Conference is aiming at employees at pre-schools, schools and further education colleges who would like to establish new contacts and boost the development of their work.

With Atlas Conference you can apply for support in order to be able to:

- Participate in international conferences by giving a talk, leading a workshop or exhibiting.
- Attend international conferences outside the EU/EEA.

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## Atlas Partnership

Atlas Partnership is aiming at pre-schools, schools and further education institutions that are interested in the collaboration with similar educational institutions and organisations abroad.

Potential projects can regard any kind of area within the organisation or institution. It is possible to arrange project meetings, student and teacher exchanges and field work together with the partner school. Atlas Partnership lasts for one year.

## Atlas Practical Training

Atlas Practical Training enables students of occupational preparatory programmes at secondary schools and adult students of further education institutions to conduct their practical training in a foreign country.

Practical trainings abroad give students the chance for professional development, cultural exchange and improvement of language skills. The practical training has to be carried out at a work place within the field of the student's education programme.

It is not possible for individual students without the support of a school or organisation to apply for this.

## Applications

Applications for Atlas are made on one of the Swedish Council for Higher Education's websites: [www.utbyten.se](http://www.utbyten.se)

In preparation for the application period, the Swedish Council for Higher Education arranges Information Days throughout Sweden. These days are normally scheduled some time in autumn or early spring.

Applications can only be made by educational institutions in Sweden.

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## About

The Swedish Council for Higher Education is a government agency that among other things promotes academic exchanges and cooperation across national borders.

The mission of our Department for International Cooperation is to support different forms of international cooperation within education. We award grants and project funding as part of the cooperation and exchange programmes for which we are responsible. We also run communication initiatives aimed at various target groups in the field of education in Sweden.

