

T.I.M.E.

Top International  
Managers in Engineering

# Your Guide to T.I.M.E. Mobility Programmes

*Get the best  
of engineering  
education!*



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# Welcome to Your Journey to the Best Engineering Education

Everywhere around the world people are on the move, making history or simply living their personal histories. Everyday journeys start and come to an end, embracing or producing change in the world.

For many of us, however, our personal journey is what matters most.

Your Guide to T.I.M.E. Mobility Programmes is intended to give students an opportunity to reflect on the ways in which their educational journey can benefit from international learning mobility. With its presentation of opportunities worldwide and personal success stories, the guide enables you to take maximum advantage of T.I.M.E. Association's leading higher education engineering institutions.

We prepare the ground for students to get the best possible engineering education and discover the many advantages of studying abroad. Intercultural awareness, transformative competences, increased connectivity, and friends around the globe are just some of benefits that will enrich your educational journey and personal experience.

Gwenaelle Guillerme  
Secretary-General  
T.I.M.E. Association



# A Study Life Abroad: What Are the Opportunities?



# Redesign. Rethink. Challenge.

*Why rethinking your studies could make you more future-ready*



## Challenge Your Mindset

Personal and professional success relies on you challenging mindset, acknowledging and facing difficulties that lie ahead, seeking help if needed, but striving to overcome in the end.



## New Challenges

Every rapid transformation of our societies challenges all aspects of our lives. Technology and digitalization are the game changers heading towards Job Market 5.0.

**>5 mil.  
students  
were mobile  
in 2019**

Students around the world have understood the value of international experience!



## Knowledge & Skills

Acquiring sound knowledge and high-level skills in your field of study will always be necessary for solving problems, advancing knowledge, and fostering innovation in your future workplace. Ensure you are making the most of your engineering education!



## 21st-Century Skills

21st-century skills help boost education! Interdisciplinary thinking, innovation and entrepreneurial abilities, and equip you to work in intercultural and diverse environments.

# What are the T.I.M.E. Options for Your Learning Journey?

## Double Degrees

A double degree is the boldest choice for your learning journey abroad. The adventure begins at your home university and leads you to a new study destination at the end. Taking this path will bring you two degrees and countless experiences to shape your future.

## DOUBLE DEGREE



## MOOCs

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Maybe you just want to get a flavour of the learning experiences provided by the T.I.M.E. universities. Choosing to enrol in a MOOC is a good start. You will deepen your knowledge of a specific subject and will learn at your own pace, benefiting from the best online engineering courses.

## Research internships

If you decide to go for a short-term, intensive learning experience, then take a closer look at research internships. These programmes are the best opportunity to work and acquire knowledge from multi-disciplinary teams of scientists.

## RESEARCH INTERNSHIPS



## Summer schools

Looking for a different learning experience? Sign up for an online or traditional summer school! You will learn a great deal, improve your skillset, meet and interact with like-minded people from diverse backgrounds.

## SUMMERS SCHOOLS



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What courses are you looking for?  
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# Discover Your Mobility Profile!



# How would you describe your International Personality?

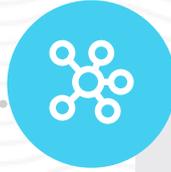
- .....○ Studying abroad does not have to be the same for everyone!

And this is **how it should be!**

- .....○ Are you a 'Full Steam Ahead' mobility student, eager to go abroad? Or are you 'Steady But Sure', carefully analysing risks and opportunities? You can also be a 'Look before You Leap' International Student, thinking of how to reach your potential?

**Discover** yourself!

- .....○ Whatever your answer is, we encourage you to *learn more about yourself*, discover your interests and strengths, and search for the best opportunity to fit them.



## Full Steam Ahead

*well travelled, adventurous, enthusiastic, versatile, curious, autonomous*

Quote: *'Today is a good day for changing the world! I'll do it!'*



## Steady But Sure

*information seekers, reflective, planners, curious, resolute, engaged, responsible*

Quote: *'Take it easy! Let's take a closer look!'*



## Look Before You Leap

*idealistic, cautious, but committed*

Quote: *'Maybe this is not the right time for me.'*

# The Story of a 'Full Steam Ahead' student



*If you are still wondering which mobility type you are, we have collected some stories to inspire your study abroad journey.*

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I have been pretty much everywhere in this world: 27 countries in 5 years of studies from China to Chile, South Africa, and Singapore. I still have great experiences ahead, and the Ph.D. is the perfect opportunity. I always wanted to explore more, to learn more! I am simply curious about everything new: from learning experiences to food, places, and people. I participated in summer schools, internships, I did my Erasmus in Italy, I got involved in student associations' projects and activities, and I had lots of student jobs.

All of them were *game changers!*

I have acquired skills and knowledge, and I met great people. And most importantly, I have discovered that I really like to engage in research activities. Therefore, here I am, preparing Ph.D. applications and ready to start a career in research. The most important achievement was beyond knowledge and skills: I really enjoyed myself and the people I met. I took risks, I experienced bad moments, and my family was not always supportive. But I feel like I am better prepared for what is to come, and I also have a lot to offer as a person.

If I had to describe myself in a sentence, I would say I am an enthusiastic *world surfer!*

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*Note: We asked Joana to send us a picture of herself or a picture that inspires her.*

*The picture above was entitled: 'The beautiful world waiting to be conquered'.*

*Joana, Portugal*

# The Story of a 'Steady But Sure' student



*If you are still wondering which mobility type you are, this is the story of a 'Steady But Sure' student who analyzed and documented each step very carefully in order to pursue a research career.*

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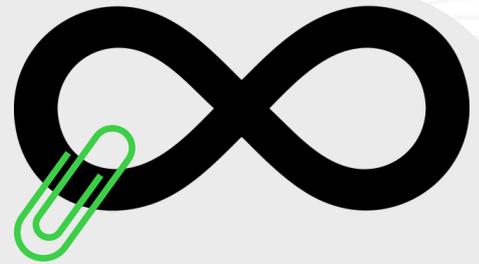
Going abroad for study purposes was not an easy decision to make. But it was the best.

I used to be just a science nerd, passionate about mathematics and data science but knowing very little about what to do with this passion. I started to attend various events and be part of professional communities. Some people there told me that most international universities would value my participation in non-formal activities, and I would be able to shape my interest in research.

So I went online, I read brochures, I attended educational fairs and presentation sessions when possible. This led me to an Erasmus mobility in Madrid.

After graduation, I applied for a research position at a Swiss university, and here I am. And now, I am about to start a Master's degree at another university in the Netherlands because I know what I want and that programme suits me. The international experience helped me better understand what is best for my career.

I was an international student, and now I am a **global self.**”



Note: We asked Alex to send us of himself or a picture that inspires him.

The picture above was entitled: 'Just the infinity sign for infinite possibilities.'

*Alex,  
Romania*

# The Story of a 'Look Before You Leap' International Student



*If you are still wondering which mobility type you are, this is the story of a 'Look Before You Leap' student who has come to appreciate the value of an international experience.*

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I spent abroad just a couple of weeks. That period was like a dream. I was together with my best friend, and we really enjoyed the people, the city and even the long walks and noisy dinners with our colleagues.

I would love to do it again!

But I have so many questions and doubts! I do not know what country to choose, what university or study program. Maybe I am not that good to succeed abroad. And my parents do not agree with the possibility of studying in another country. I still have the Erasmus window, but it is not like a double degree.

Being an Erasmus student could be incredible, but it is not as valuable as a double degree. Having a double degree makes you more employable anywhere in this world.

If I had to describe myself in a sentence, I would say I am a dreamer who does not know how to fly. ”



Note: We asked Irina to send us a picture of herself or a picture that inspires her.

The picture above was entitled: 'So many colours! What to choose?'

*Irina,  
Spain*

# Make Your Choice: Top Engineering Universities

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Study abroad and get the best  
of engineering education

Explore T.I.M.E. academic and research opportunities

# Make Your Choice: Top Engineering Universities

Over 300 Double Degree (Master) agreements are in operation. The main purpose of T.I.M.E. is to facilitate the exchange of students for Double Master's Degrees in Engineering. Since its foundation, over 5,000 carefully selected students have graduated with two Master's Degrees and they enjoyed rapid career progression in industry and in other fields of activity. T.I.M.E. graduates are mobile, adaptable, and culturally aware.

>300  
double  
degrees

T.I.M.E. is an international network, already present in Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Russia, Japan and most major European countries. The network is open to universities from every continent.

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countries

All T.I.M.E. members are leading institutions in their own country and have a strong international dimension in research, teaching, and industrial relations.

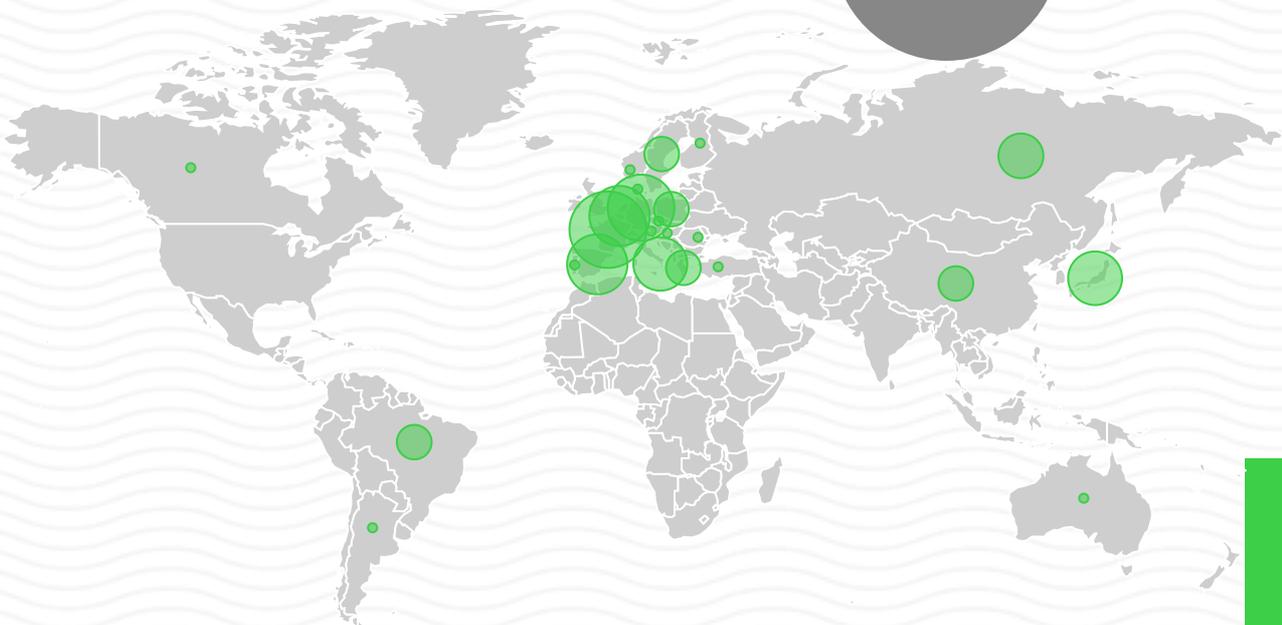
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members

Over 20 languages are spoken among the T.I.M.E. Members.

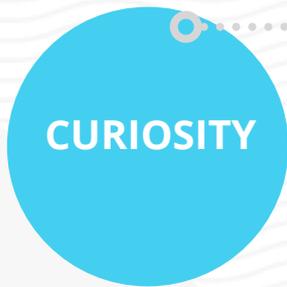
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languages

All T.I.M.E. members offer you different international experience opportunities, in person or online.

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continents



# Essential Steps for Finding the Right University



## You

The world is vast! Go for a challenge. Explore all the trails, don't settle for the beaten track.

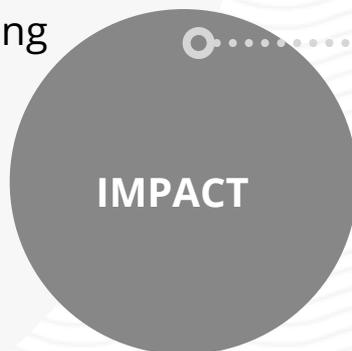
Choosing **the best host university** for you might not be an easy task, especially if you are interested in a **double degree**.



## Your (future) skills

Your international project is yours to create, it's not set in stone! Check the university websites, meet with the staff from the international offices. Beware of your own preconceptions!

Drawing on our international students' **experience**, we propose four essential **pillars** we consider as key to making the right decision.



## Impact

Value the impact of your educational background on your career and personal well-being.



## Keep a cool head!

The possibilities that can meet your project are many and varied!



# Let's talk about YOU!

Here are some aspects to take into consideration to build **your study mobility project!**

## ACADEMIC RESULTS

Some institutions are very selective!  
Do you want to learn a new language?

## BUDGET

Are you aware of the cost of living in your target country and city?  
Do you intend to work during your studies abroad?

## CENTRES OF INTEREST

What motivates you? Are you more applied or research-oriented?

## PERSONAL RESILIENCE

Would you prefer a country more similar to yours?  
Or choose a country that would challenge your intercultural knowledge and skills?

## YOUR PERSONAL PROJECT

Are you interested in pursuing an international career?  
Is there any particular specialization you wish to pursue?  
Are you aware of the skills and specializations required?  
Relevant countries and company positioning?

# Your (double) degree will boost your career!

A recent study conducted by a consortium of T.I.M.E. Members revealed that **over 90%** of double degree graduates agreed that the degree was **a bonus** in their ability to work in an international environment, contributed to **personal development** and improved the understanding of a different culture.



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## Develop vision

It is important to try and figure out what you are good at and what your potential future career may look like. Based on your study abroad goals, university advantages, or interests, you should be able to come up with a list of study abroad destinations. The list will help you conduct a thorough research by using specialised study choice tools. A good example is [TIME's Study Portal](#).



## Engage

Additionally, the TIME Association's [website](#) is your direct link to the members. There you can learn more about each university and see relevant contacts who could help you with the information you need. You can discuss with a TIME coordinator, in your home or destination university. TIME has an [alumni association](#), including an international network you could contact.

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 Note: The data above were extracted from the results of the project Reforming Dual Degree Programmes for Employability and Enhanced Academic Cooperation (REDEEM).  
Source

# Make an impression on the job market

Enjoying the learning journey abroad is not the only benefit of an international education.

**Double degrees** have real **benefits** on the job market.

Graduates say:

The double/joint degree allowed me to access more work opportunities and job offers

**72.7%**

The double/joint degree helped me progress further my career

**63.1%**

The double/joint degree allowed me to reach a fulfilling career

**58.4%**

The double degree played a significant role during the recruitment process for my job

**58.1%**

I work abroad thanks to my double degree

**48.8%**

I have the job I aspired to thanks to my double degree

**45.4%**

Having a double degree allowed me to earn more

**38.4%**

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[Source](#)*

# What Makes T.I.M.E.'s Double Degree Special?



# T.I.M.E. Double Degree At a Glance

Every year over **500 students** choose to study for a T.I.M.E. Double Degree.

## What is a T.I.M.E. Double Degree?

T.I.M.E. Double Degree students follow a local programme and choose a study destination towards the end. Two separate degrees are issued.



## Who can apply?

Students within engineering or a related field, finishing Bachelor's degree or enrolled in a Master of Science at a T.I.M.E. member institution can apply for a double degree.



**500**

T.I.M.E. Double Degree students per year



## Who is your contact person?

Each T.I.M.E. member has a designated T.I.M.E. coordinator that has more information about possible destinations, and the application and selection process.



## Find the best destination for you!

Check with the International Relations Office of your home institution which Double Degree agreements your institution has with other T.I.M.E. members.

# What is the Path of a T.I.M.E. Double Degree?



## 1 Get selected for a Double Degree study track

- Discuss with your local T.I.M.E. representative to choose the best programme for you.
- Prepare your application.
- Follow the procedures of both home and host universities.
- Carry out your mobility at the host university.



## 2 Make the most of your study experience

- A world full of possibilities is waiting for you!
- Make sure you broaden your study experience by adding cultural and social activities.
- Scientific knowledge may be easy to forget, but places, people and tastes last a lifetime.



## 4 Get T.I.M.E.: Label Certificate

- Earn at least 330 ECTS at the Bachelor's and Master's level.
- Study at least 3 semesters at the T.I.M.E. host institution.
- Fulfil any other requirements agreed by the two institutions.



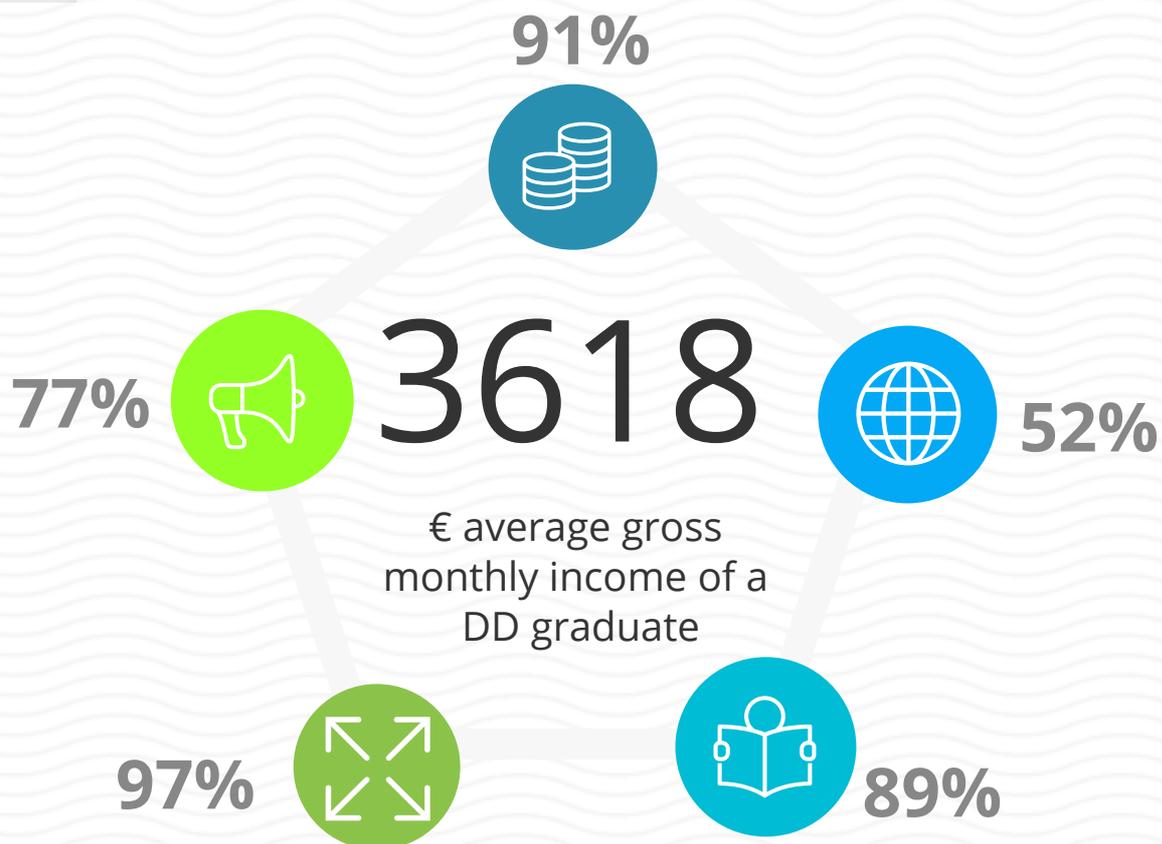
## 3 Obtain the MSc Degrees awarded by the two institutions

- Follow the procedure to have the ECTS awarded abroad recognized by your home institution.
- Receive two fully-fledged Master of Science Degrees, awarded by the two institutions.



## 5 Enjoy future opportunities

# Double Degree Graduates Career Facts



**91%**

Double Degree graduates involved in a paid activity

**52%**

Double Degree graduates working outside their country of origin

**89%**

Double Degree students working within the scope of their field of study

**97%**

Double Degree graduates recommending T.I.M.E. double degree

**77%**

Double Degree graduates stating that personal development was the principal gain of their experience abroad

# Voicing Great Experiences: What do Students Say?



# Great experiences deserve a voice

## Evangelia Kostadima

Student at Aristoteles University of Thessaloniki (Greece) and CentraleSupélec (France)



“ Living among French people but also interacting on a daily basis with more than twenty different nationalities has been an eye-opening experience. I gained a lot of self-confidence and I have learned to adapt and to treat problems methodically. ”

“ You might not get a chance like this many times in your life. ”

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## Olle Erickson

Double Degree KTH (Sweden) – CentraleSupélec (France)



# Great experiences deserve a voice

## Alba Fernández

Double Degree  
between ETSI UP  
Madrid and KTH,  
Sweden



“ I wanted to have an experience different from Erasmus and I wanted to do something that could help me more to develop my professional career. It is kind of a challenge for everyone! ”

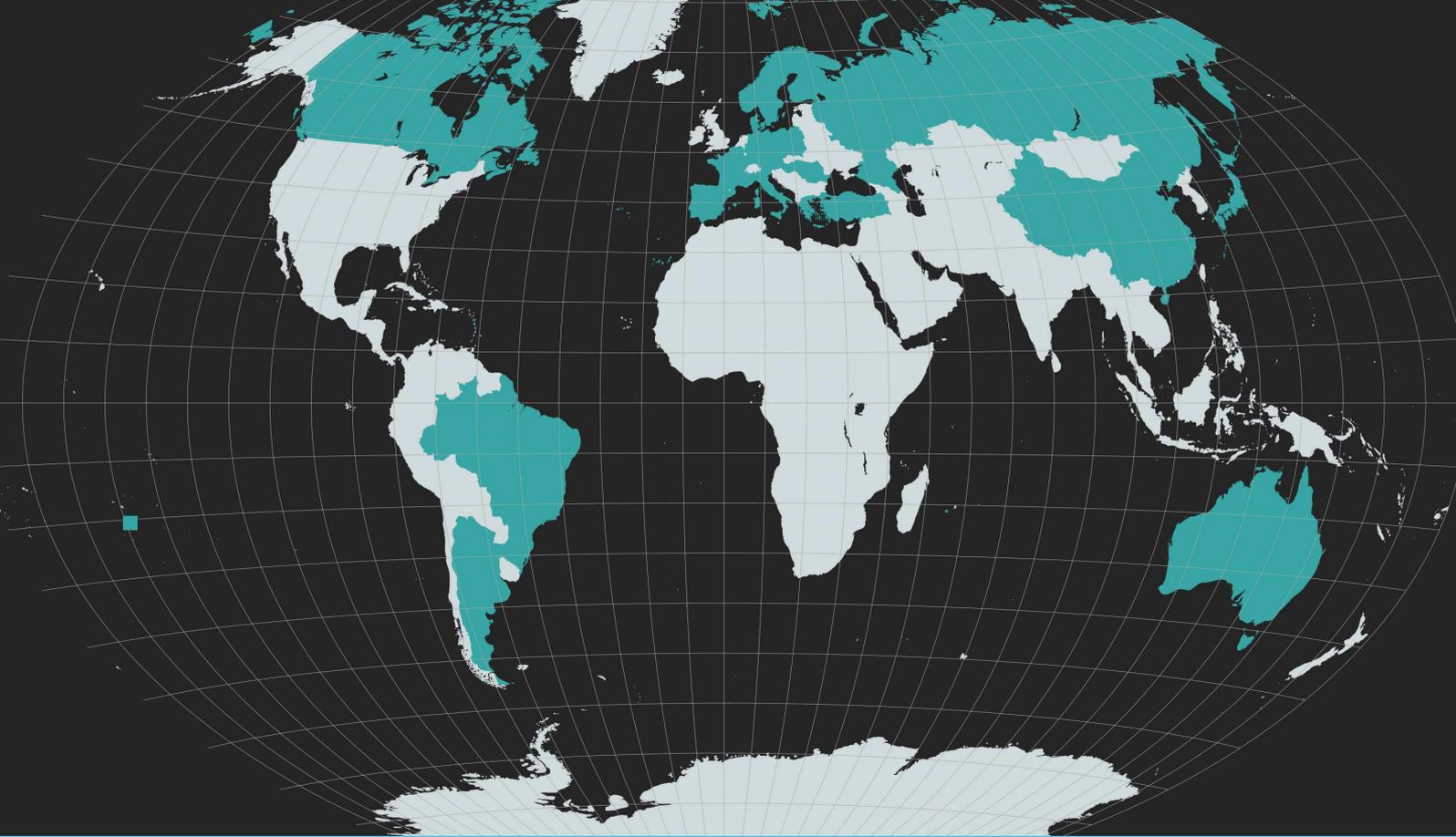
“ This has given me a lot of confidence to be able to set my goals for myself. ”

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## Eric Bröte

Double Degree KTH  
(Sweden) –  
CentraleSupélec (France)





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