



ERA ALLIANCE

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GASTROERASMUS 2027

4th International Culinary Competition

OFFICIAL INFORMATION PACK

**18/19-24/25 MARCH 2027 | MANAVGAT, ANTALYA, TÜRKİYE
COMPETITION: 20-23 MARCH 2027**

Taste the Future, Cook Beyond Borders.



1. Welcome to GastroErasmus 2027

GastroErasmus 2027 brings young culinary talents, vocational schools, teachers, professional chefs and international jury members together in Manavgat for international competition, learning, professional exchange and cultural discovery.

The fourth edition provides students with an international professional stage, encourages cooperation between vocational schools, connects education with the hospitality sector and creates opportunities for future Erasmus+ mobility and school-to-school partnerships.

Event at a Glance

Competition	GastroErasmus 2027 - 4th International Culinary Competition
Arrival / Check-in	18 or 19 March 2027
Opening & Briefing	19 March 2027, evening
Competition Days	20-23 March 2027
Award Ceremony	23 March 2027, evening
Departure / Check-out	24 or 25 March 2027
Official Package Options	5 nights / 6 days or 6 nights / 7 days
Location	Manavgat, Antalya, Türkiye
Official Accommodation	The Raga Side Hotel
Organiser	ERA Alliance Educational Cooperation and Consulting

Who Can Participate?

The competition is intended primarily for students aged 16-20 studying in secondary or vocational education in Culinary Arts, Gastronomy, Professional Cooking, Food & Beverage Services, Hospitality, Hotel & Restaurant Services, Catering, Pastry & Bakery and related vocational fields.

Participation Limits

Standard schools: minimum 3 and maximum 6 students, with up to 2 teachers/mentors.

ERA Alliance member schools: minimum 3 and maximum 9 students, with up to 2 teachers/mentors. ERA Alliance members also receive access to the exclusive SP2 Black Box Challenge.



2. Competition Categories

GastroErasmus 2027 combines individual and school-team categories. Competitors are assessed by an international jury according to the technical requirements and evaluation criteria published for each category.

Code	Category	Format
JP1	Individual - Main Course	Individual
JP2	Individual - Fish	Individual
JP3	Individual - Pasta	Individual
JP4	Individual - Dessert	Individual
SP1	Best School Team	Team
SP2	ERA Alliance Black Box Challenge	Team

SP2 - ERA Alliance Black Box Challenge

This special category is reserved exclusively for ERA Alliance member institutions. Teams receive the Black Box ingredients at the event. They first have 30 minutes to consult with their teacher and prepare their recipe and plan, followed by a 90-minute active competition period.

International Jury

The international jury includes experienced chefs, culinary professionals, educators and gastronomy experts. Evaluation covers taste, technical skills, creativity, presentation, professional organisation, correct use of ingredients, hygiene, time management and teamwork.

3. Official Programme

International delegations may check in on either 18 or 19 March. The formal opening, welcome and technical briefing will be held on the evening of 19 March. Competition activities run from 20 to 23 March, with the Official Award Ceremony on the evening of 23 March. Delegations may check out on 24 or 25 March depending on their package and travel arrangements.

18 March 2027	Early Arrival & Check-in	Arrival option for delegations wishing to settle earlier, purchase special ingredients and prepare before the official opening.
19 March 2027	Arrival, Check-in, Opening & Technical Briefing	Arrival of remaining delegations. Evening: official opening, school introductions, organisational information and competition/technical briefing.
20 March 2027	Competition Day 1	Official competition programme begins.
21 March 2027	Competition Day 2	Individual and/or team competition sessions according to the final technical timetable.
22 March 2027	Competition Day 3	Individual and/or team competition sessions according to the final technical timetable.
23 March 2027	Competition Day 4 & Official Award Ceremony	Final competition sessions. Official Award Ceremony in the evening.
24 March 2027	Standard Package Departure	Hotel check-out and departure for standard-package delegations.
25 March 2027	Extended Departure	Check-out and departure for delegations using the additional-night arrangement.

Professional & Educational Activities

Selected workshops will bring participating teachers together with international jury members. Student & Jury Panels will allow young participants to discuss culinary careers, professional kitchens, creativity, international experience and future opportunities. Teacher networking will support future Erasmus+ mobilities, job-shadowing, internships and school partnerships.

4. Official Accommodation - The Raga Side Hotel

The Raga Side Hotel will serve as the official accommodation and hospitality hub of GastroErasmus 2027. International delegations will stay together under an All-Inclusive concept.

The hotel will also host the Opening & Welcome Ceremony and technical briefing on the evening of 19 March, selected professional workshops and Student & Jury Panels.

Participants Under 18

Participants under the age of 18 will receive a clearly identifiable non-alcohol wristband at check-in. Alcoholic beverages will not be served to participants wearing this wristband. Teachers and group leaders remain responsible for supervising their students.

Official Participation Package

Room Type	Standard Package 19-24 March 2027	Early Arrival Package 18-24 March 2027
Triple Room	€495 / person	€565 / person
Double Room	€545 / person	€625 / person
Single Room	€695 / person	€805 / person

Standard package: 19 March check-in - 24 March check-out (5 nights / 6 days).

Early Arrival package: 18 March check-in - 24 March check-out (6 nights / 7 days).

Optional departure: 25 March 2027 may be arranged for delegations whose travel plan requires an additional night, subject to confirmation and applicable accommodation conditions.



5. What the Official Participation Package Includes

Both Official Participation Packages bring the principal elements of the GastroErasmus experience into one coordinated arrangement.

All-Inclusive accommodation	Breakfast, lunch, dinner & hotel services
Competition participation	Competition organisation & facilities
Opening & Welcome Ceremony	Official GastroErasmus Welcome Kit
Professional teacher / jury workshops	Student & Jury Panels
Cultural excursions & visits	Manavgat Waterfall, Side Museum & Side Ancient Theatre
Official Award Ceremony	Official Certificate of Participation
International activities	Networking opportunities

Official GastroErasmus Welcome Kit

Every registered participant will receive an official GastroErasmus 2027 Welcome Kit including participant materials, accreditation items, practical event materials and selected souvenirs. ERA Alliance members may receive additional member recognition or member-exclusive items.

More Than a Competition

Students will compete, represent their school and country, work under professional conditions, meet peers from other countries and interact directly with chefs, educators and jury members.



6. Cultural Programme - Discover Manavgat & Side

The cultural excursions are included in the Official Participation Package. GastroErasmus combines professional competition with cultural learning and international exchange.

Manavgat Waterfall

Participants will visit one of the best-known natural landmarks of the region and experience the natural character of Manavgat.

Side Museum

The visit introduces participants to the archaeological heritage of Side and the civilisations that shaped the region.

Side Ancient Theatre

Participants will experience one of the region's most impressive ancient structures and the historical atmosphere of Side.

**COMPETE INTERNATIONALLY.
DISCOVER LOCALLY.
CONNECT CULTURALLY.**



7. Special Benefits for ERA Alliance Members

Expanded Student Quota	Up to 9 students per member school, compared with a maximum of 6 students for standard schools.
Exclusive SP2 Access	Participation in the ERA Alliance Black Box Challenge.
Priority Registration	Priority during registration, subject to published capacity and deadlines.
Member Recognition	ERA Alliance member status in selected event and communication materials.
Professional Networking	Additional opportunities for teacher networking and international cooperation.
Special Recognition	Eligibility for selected ERA Alliance member awards and activities.

Building Partnerships Beyond the Competition

GastroErasmus is intended to create connections that continue after the event. Schools and sector partners are encouraged to explore Erasmus+ mobility, international internships, job-shadowing, reciprocal hosting and future European projects.

8. Registration & Contact

Schools should follow the official GastroErasmus communication channels for registration announcements, deadlines, technical regulations and participant documentation.

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