

# *My experiences*

## *Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association (EMA)*

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# Who is Hanneke Luth

- Dutch, 33
- Background in law and economics
- EMLE 2004
- EDLE 2005-2010
- Independent entrepreneur; strategy and management consultant
- Currently part of Taskforce Information Security Public Sector (*Ministry of Internal Affairs*)



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# Wat is EMA

- Erasmus Mundus Students and Alumni Association
- Founded June 2006 by an initiative EC DG
  - Continued support
- Approximately 10.000 *Mundus* members
  - All EM courses are eligible
- *Aim*: link students in alumni in all Erasmus Mundus Masters and Doctorate Courses
- *Interaction* amongst EMA members
  - Annual General Assembly in Brussels
  - Interaction through various media platforms
  - Related conferences and events
- Erasmus+: EMA continues



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# EMA Mission

To serve the interests of Erasmus Mundus alumni and students, notably by creating a forum for networking, communication and cooperation between alumni and students

To promote Erasmus Mundus as a European programme of excellence in international higher education



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# What EM has brought me

- Confidence en resilience
- Intercultural sensitivity (yes, I am Dutch)
- Flexibility
- Professional and organisational skills (presidency)
- An international network of professionals, friends and fun



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# What EM has brought students

Graduate impact survey:

- Intercultural competencies
- Subject related expertise

*“Comparing graduates’ estimations with students’ expectations: students overestimate EM’s impact on career, while they underestimate possible impact on soft skills.”*

Soft skills are the plus that get you the job?



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# Thank you

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