Declaration of Honour for the application for a Social Top-Up in the Erasmus+ programme (SMP project 2026)

Hereby I, _____ (last name, first name), born on

_____ (DD.MM.YYYY) confirm that I am applying for the Social Top-Up.

I am eligible to receive the Social Top-Up because I belong to at least one of the following groups (please check the according box(es)):[1]

☐**Students with a chronic illness leading to extra costs**

Possible proof: doctor's note

☐**Students with a degree of disability of at least 20**

Possible proof: certificate of disability

☐**Students that are going abroad with a child/children**

Possible proof: birth certificate, travel documentation of the child(ren)

☐**First generation student within your family**

Neither of your parents are holding an academic degree; academic degrees received outside of Germany are still counting as an academic degree even if they are not recognized in Germany

Possible proof: graduation or apprenticeship certificates, informal explanation of your parents with original signature

☐**Students employed alongside their studies**

Average of monthly salary in the last 6 months before your traineeship has to be at least 450 € and max. 850 €; minijob or insurable employment possible; the employment is not allowed to be conducted during the stay abroad; you will not receive financial support from the receiving institution

Possible proof: payroll, employer's statement

With your signature you are confirming that you have been informed about the conditions for receiving the Social Top-Up and meet the necessary criteria[2]. Possible proof is to be kept for 5 years after your mobility and only to be submitted **on request** to the University of Cologne.

I have given all information to the best of my knowledge and I acknowledge that I have to pay the granted funds in whole or partly to the University of Cologne in the case of false statements. I want to apply for the Social Top-Up and I am declaring by honour that I meet the requirements, possess the according proof and can submit them on request.

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signature of the funded student

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place, date

[1]Please note: Checking multiple boxes is possible if you belong to more than one of the abovementioned groups. However, the *Social Top-Ups* cannot be combined, that means per person the *Social Top-Up* can only be paid out once.

[2] https://eu.daad.de/programme-und-hochschulpolitik/erasmus-ab-2021/erasmusplus-soziale-teilhabe/de/