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# Introduction

This report aims to give the reader an idea of the benefits for students living in the EU and recommends ways of improving exchange programmes. The source of it is a survey among students at a technical college.

# Findings

First, the most significant fact is that most students value the fact that travelling between countries is very convenient without border controls. Moreover, the majority of respondents says that the standardized currency makes it easy to pay in foreign countries because people do not need to exchange their money. However, many students forget to think about the importance of student exchange programmes.

# Reasons

Undoubtedly, students are very grateful for the relaxed travelling conditions within the EU. This makes totally sense because young people travel a lot nowadays. Additionally, travelling is even more convenient when the currency is the same in over 30 countries. Therefore, students thought about the common currency too. Unfortunately, not many colleagues chose exchange programmes as a benefit – probably because pupils do not want to think about school all the time.

# Recommendations

Summing up, it can be said that most students like to travel between EU countries because of convenient border controls and the common currency. In order to arouse the interest in exchange programmes for students it is recommended to advertise them properly and clearly highlight the advantages of such events. Another good piece of advice would be to reconsider the method of learning. For example, it would be very beneficial for the EU Erasmus+ study programme if students learned by doing sports exercises and having fun.