Executive Master in EU Studies

EU Expertise for Professionals

Interdisciplinary Studies
Professional Insight into Europe
E-Learning
Intensive Workshops

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2 years – 60 ECTS

The Executive Master in EU Studies programme is organised by the Centre international de formation européenne (CIFE). In accordance with the Bologna process, CIFE applies the ECTS credits system.

EU expertise for professionals

The study programme

- allows the participants to deepen and complement their knowledge of the EU integration process within the global context by applying blended learning methods: a combination of e-learning and intensive face-to-face learning weekend workshops.
- provides an ideal training and an additional qualification for professionals, postgraduates and junior officials interested in or already working in national, European and international organisations, in the public and private sector.
- is an outstanding opportunity for professionals to continue their studies while pursuing their careers.

Each year’s incoming class is made up of participants with diverse backgrounds and nationalities.

Flexibility

If you cannot commit for the full Executive Master programme, we offer the possibility of completing the first year with a certificate certifying the ECTS credits acquired.
MULTIDISCIPLINARY FIRST YEAR

- EU Law; Institutional Architecture of the EU; History of the European Integration
- The EU in World Politics; Economic Dimension of EU Integration; Transition & Regional Development
- Interest Representation in the EU; Sustainable Development in the EU; EU Enlargement – experiences, processes and impact; Justice and Home Affairs / Migration
- Simulation Games (i.a. EU Council Simulation and ECJ Moot Court)
- Skills and Competences / Project Cycle Management

SECOND YEAR: ADVANCED AND SPECIALISATION COURSES

- The Institutional Evolution of the EU: Drivers & Barriers; The EU in International Organisations – Crises & Conflicts
- The EU Facing Global Economic Challenges; Cohesion & Differentiation in the EU
- EU Citizenship – Rights, Freedom & Solidarity; Internal Market, Trade & Sustainability
- Interdisciplinary Sessions

Benefits

- Expand your knowledge by studying with our European faculty staff in an intercultural and interactive environment.
- Understand the complex challenges of today’s world using problem-focused and interdisciplinary methods.
- Build your own multidimensional vision of Europe’s role in a globalised world.
- Choose your specialisation in Political Science, Economics or EU law.
- Follow either a research track or a professional track in the second year.
- Obtain the Executive Master in EU Studies (60 ECTS), specialise and write your master thesis on your topic of interest.
Blended learning methods and part-time study

E-learning
The study programme offers state-of-the-art blended learning through interactive online courses with moderated fora, regular teaching and recap webinars, instructional videos and individual supervision online.

Workshops
The face-to-face workshops, which complement the virtual activities, take place in different European cities like Berlin, Brussels, Budapest, Nice, Rome and Vienna. During these workshops the participants have the opportunity to meet representatives of European institutions, national decision makers in charge of European and international affairs and experts from the public and private sector. Thus participants gain greater insight into the working environment of these organisations.

Written exams take place during the workshops.

Skills and competences
Participants acquire a number of skills and knowledge of
- negotiating within an international context
- drafting reports, position papers, economic analyses and policy briefs
- planning, proposing and managing an international project (Project cycle management)
- identifying and balancing different interests
- writing legal opinions and writs.
Internationally renowned experts

Our faculty is composed of internationally recognised academics and practitioners. Individual guidance is one of the core elements of our programme, both during online phases and face-to-face workshops.

Among others, our experts belong to the following prestigious institutions:
- Centre for Turkish and European Studies, University of Cologne
- Walter Hallstein Institute for European Constitutional Law Berlin
- Humboldt Institut für Internet und Gesellschaft
- Institute for World Economics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences
- German Federal Ministry of Economics
- Sciences Po, Paris
- Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals

The professional activities of graduates since 2003
- International and EU organisations 26,5%
- Companies and banks 3%
- National governments and administration 5,5%
- Research and teaching 12%
- Consultancy and advocacy 3,5%
- International humanitarian sector/NGOs 21,5%
- Media 25%
- Freelancer 3,5%
Degree and recognition

Participants who successfully complete the Executive Master programme receive two qualifications:

- **Executive Master in EU Studies**: This is the diploma of CIFE, certifying the successful completion of the academic curriculum and granting 60 ECTS credits at Master level.

- The degree qualification **Chargé de mission en organisations européennes et internationales** (Policy Officer in European and international Organisations). This qualification is recognised by the French state as a degree at Master level (level 7 of the European Qualifications Framework EQF).

Admission requirements

All applicants must hold a relevant university degree (minimum three years of study at university level) and a good command of the English language. Candidates should apply by using the online application form at [www.eu-online-academy.org](http://www.eu-online-academy.org).

The deadline for application is 5 September.

Nationality of our participants since 2003
Alumni testimonials

The Executive Masters with CIFE gave me a chance to re­search one of the topics of my interest deeply, simultaneously helping to see the European/International Affairs from different angles and different perspectives. It was not only a course about Europe; it was a course that let one feel Europe. I liked the programme flexibility, the course material, and particularly the outstanding professors – real European Knowledge Architects that were brilliant in their particular fields.

**Syuzan Marukhyan**  Master 2016–2018
ARISC Armenia Branch Director & Communications and Social Marketing Expert for UFSD

Pursuing the Master in EU studies was an exciting experience that tailored in a perfect blend the online and face to face learning. The large spectrum of topics covered in the curricula furnishes you with knowledge on the legal dimension of the EU, its standing in the global arena as an economic and normative power as well as very up to date topics such as the sustainable development, BREXIT and recent migration flow.

**Rovena Muzhaqi**  Master 2015–2017
Consultant for ORT Innovation, Paris, France

Working with an EU agency with an industry background, my primary objective was a better understanding of the functioning of the EU, including the competences, roles and interaction of its main actors. The second aspect was compatibility with my full-time work. The CIFE Executive Master programme delivered on both! I found the curriculum ambitious, diverse and interesting. Finally, the exchanges amongst truly international participants from a range of both EU and non-EU states promoted the sharing and understanding of different perspectives.

**Sascha Oliver Schott**  Master 2014–2016
Section Manager, Third Country Operators, European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), Germany
For more than 60 years the Centre international de formation européenne has been promoting the values of Europe, European integration and governance, multilingualism and student mobility through its European and international higher education programmes. As CIFE President I am pleased to be able to contribute to the next stage in the development of this academic institution.

Herman Van Rompuy
President Emeritus of the European Council
Belgian Minister of State
President of CIFE