

PROGRAMME ACADEMIC REPORT

of the
Master in Advanced European and International Studies

Trilingual Studies
Academic programme 2017/2019



School of European and International Studies

1. Overview

The 2017/2019 Trilingual branch of CIFE's Master in Advanced and International Studies was composed of 10 students coming from 7 different countries of the world. The programme offered the students intensive courses in between Nice, Canterbury and Berlin for a period of time extending from the 5th of October 2017 to the 5th of July, 2018. Afterwards, a compulsory internship went to complete the academic requirements necessary to the attainment of the diploma. The following table represents the timetable of the programme:

Dates	Place
05/10/2017 – 11/01/2018	Nice , Institut européen•European Institute
11/01/2018 – 06/04/2018	Canterbury , University of Kent
11/03/2018 – 16/03/2018	Study Trip (Luxembourg, Strasbourg, Brussels)
06/04/2018 – 05/07/2018	Berlin , Institut für Europäische Politik
July 2018 onwards	Compulsory Internship
07/06/2019	Graduation Ceremony

In Nice, the students learned about the structure and the dynamics of the European Union and were introduced to the socio-economic and political situation of the Mediterranean countries. In Canterbury, the focus was on Europe and its transatlantic partners. While in Berlin, the students had the opportunity to delve into today's EU challenges, including migration, EU enlargement, Eurozone, etc. All classes were held either in English, French or German.

After the last trimester in Berlin, the students were occupied in the writing of their master dissertations. They were also required to find internships, where they could apply the skills and knowledge gained through the programme.

At the completion of the academic requirements, the students were granted with 120 ECTS credits under the European Qualifications Frameworks (EQF). Besides the Master diploma, the students received 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. It is registered in the French national register of professional qualifications (RNCP) and recognised as a degree at Master level (level 7 of the EQF).

2. Curricular Programme & Activities

Throughout the academic year, classes were organized according to the five main teaching modules of the programme, namely:

1. International Relations
2. European Integration
3. Federalism and Governance
4. Economy and Globalisation
5. Skills and Competences

➤ Nice

Nice is where the students gathered for the first time and started to get to know the cultural diversity inherent to the group and to CIFE's international environment. In this trimester, students attended the following classes:

- **International Relations** (55 h)
 - o Mr. Tobias BÜTOW, Theories of International Relations
 - o Mr. Sören KEIL, Conflict Management, Federalism and Consociationalism
 - o Mr. Ayhan KAYA, EU and Turkey Relations
- **European Integration** (49 h)
 - o Mr. Hartmut MARHOLD, History of the European Integration
 - o Mr. Oliver HÖING, The Dynamic Architecture of the European Institutions
 - o Mr. Yvan GASTAUT, History of Immigration
 - o Mr. Jean-Antoine GIANILY, Euro as Federal Currency
 - o Mrs. Karima DIRECHE, Maghreb's Political History
- **Economy and Globalisation** (35 h)
 - o Prof. Jean-Claude VÉREZ, International Economy

Workshops: (22 h)

- Mr. Paul CULLEY, EU Policy-Making
- Mr. Juan DIAZ, Negotiations and Mediation in an International Context
- Mrs. Nina FRAUENFELD, Intercultural Communication

Conferences:

- Round Table: Migrations and Demography (Mr. Jean-Claude VÉREZ, Mr. Yvan GASTAUT, Mr. Matthias WAECHTER, Mr. Tobias BÜTOW)
- Europe vis-à-vis its Psychologic and Economic Boundaries (Mr. Michel DEVOLUY)
- Round Table: The Relations between EU and Turkey (Mr. Jean-Claude VÉREZ, Mr. Matthias WAECHTER, Mrs. Pinar SELEK)

In addition, the following activities were successfully carried out by the students:

- ❖ French language classes (refreshing course)
- ❖ Career coaching

At the end of this trimester, students were required to pass their mid-term exams, which consisted in oral examinations on the three modules taught in Nice.

➤ **Canterbury**

In Canterbury, the students are enrolled at one of the most renowned partners of CIFE, the University of Kent. Having registered online from Nice for the Spring Term at the University of Kent, the students had the great opportunity to choose and enlist for three different modules that kept them busy throughout the whole trimester. Here the students were treated as regular student of the university and were required to attend classes regularly. At the end of the trimester, the grades received by the students in these modules were then integrated to the CIFE's grading system. The modules taken by the students were the following:

- PO828: Theories of Conflict and Violence
- PO831: The European Union in the World
- PO866: Federalism and Governance
- PO848: Negotiation and Mediation
- PO917: Terrorism and Crimes of the State
- PO936: Resistance in Practice
- PO956: Public Opinion: Nature and Measurement
- SA803: Politics and Sociology of the Environment

During this period, the students also had access to the university's well-equipped library, where they had the opportunity to advance in their research work or thesis' writing.

➤ **Study Trip to the European Institutions**

From March 11, 2018 to March 16, 2018, the students were excused from their academic responsibilities at the University of Kent. The group travelled to Luxembourg to start their 5-day study trip to the European Institutions. During this period they visited the following establishments:

- In **Luxembourg**, the Court of Justice of the European Union and European Investment Bank;
- In **Strasbourg**, the Council of Europe, the European Court of Human Rights and the European Parliament;
- In **Brussels**, the European Commission,

- the Council of the European Union,
- the European Committee of the Regions,
- the European External Action Service and
- the United Nations Office Brussels.

During these visits, of these institutions representatives briefed the students about their role and structure. Students had a glimpse of the working environment surrounding these important institutions and could network with former CIFE students working there. At the end of the study trip, the students flew back to Canterbury to finish their trimester at the University of Kent.

➤ **Berlin**

In their last trimester in Berlin, the students lived together at the Studentendorf Schlachtensee complex, where classes were also habitually held. In the German capital, the partnership with the Institut für Europäische Politik allowed a smooth running of the programme. In fact, besides other institutional visits, the students had the privileged access to the University Library of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin and to the Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, which facilitated the research and study work characterizing this last trimester. Moreover, in the framework of the CIFE teaching modules, the students attended the following classes:

- **International Relations** (41.30 h)
 - Mr. Tobias BÜTOW, Conflicts and Collective Violence
 - Mr. Andreas HEINEMANN-GRÜDER, Russian Foreign and Security Policy
 - Mrs. Anna DIMITROVA, US Foreign Policy and its implications to the EU
 - Mr. George TZOGOPOULOS, The Role of China in the World
- **European Integration** (19.30)
 - Mr. Mathias JOPP, European Foreign Policy Making
 - Mr. Tobias FLESSENKEMPER, EU Enlargement and the Western Balkans
 - Mrs. Lucie STEPANYAN- Deputy Secretary General of the German Government,
Les relations franco-allemands
- **Federalism and Governance** (33 h)
 - Mr. Sören KEIL, Understanding Federalism
 - Mr. Ivan BOEV, Minority Rights
- **Economy and Globalisation** (19.30 h)
 - Mr. Jean-Claude VÉREZ, European Economy

Workshops: (44 h)

- Mr. Paul CULLEY, EU Policy at work
- Mr. Emre GÜR, Project Cycle Management
- Mrs. Anne TOPENOT, Public Speech
- Germany's European Politics – joint workshop between CIFE, University of Cologne and Turkish-German University in Istanbul. It involved visits to:
 - The European Parliament Liaison Office,
 - The National Association of German Cooperative Banks
 - The Federal Foreign Office,
 - The German Bundestag
 - The German Chancellery,
 - The North-Rhine Westphalia Representative Office,
 - Polis180, the Grassroots Think Tank for Foreign and European Policy

Conferences:

- International Conference “Europe en marche? Ideen für ein progressives Europa”

Written exams on International Relations, Federalism and Governance, and Economy and Globalisation modules were scheduled towards the final period of this trimester. Furthermore, the Grand Oral scheduled on the 29th of June 2018 ended the round of exams required to be accomplished before the internship's engagement and the thesis' submission of the students.

➤ Internship and Graduation

After the trimester in Berlin, the students had their internship (of minimum 3 months and maximum 6 months). CIFE proposed the students some internship, but it was at the discretion of the student to freely choose the internship that best suited his or her interests. After submitting the internship report, the only requirement left to fulfill was the master's thesis. All students submitted the final version of their thesis by the 17th of May 2019. The students were then scheduled on different dates for their thesis' defense, which represented the very last academic requirement of their academic year with CIFE.

After two fruitful years of research and practical work, CIFE awarded the students of the Trilingual branch 2017/2019 with the Master diploma and the Policy Officer Qualification degree during the graduation ceremony held in Nice the 7th June 2019.

3. The research –Topic of the Master thesis

BACIU Lavinia (Romania – Belgium)

"Intellectual property in the EU free trade agreements: The study case of EU- Japan Economic Partnership Agreement (EUJEPA)".

BOROWSKI Hannah (United Kingdom – Germany)

"The EU's Economic Partnership Agreements and their potential to contribute to achieving development. The East African Community as a Case Study. A dependency model critique".

BRASPENNING Rem (France – the Netherlands)

"Assessment of Organized crime and the legislative response within the EU: key measures".

IUSOVA Elizaveta (Russia)

"Implementation of the common economic area from "Lisbon to Vladivostok": economic cooperation between the European Union and the Eurasian Economic Union".

KAISER Sarah (Germany)

"Police violence vs violence against the police in Germany, France and the UK – what role do the media play and what can be done about it?"

KISSANE Emma (United Kingdom)

"EU-UK Foreign and Security Policy"

LANG Franziska (Germany)

"The European External Action Service and Europeanization"

OKORODUS Abigail (Nigeria)

"THE EFFICACY OF DEVELOPMENT POLICIES: ANALYSING MICROFINANCE FOR POVERTY ERADICATION IN NIGERIA"











PAAR Jana (Germany)

"Political education of youth in the EU: How can education impact the elections of the European Parliament in May 2019?"

REINHARD Anne Kathrin (Germany)

"One China – One Europe? How Chinese Investments Do or Do Not Influence European affairs".

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OKORODUS Abigail Nigéria	PAAR Jana Allemagne	REINHARD Anne Kathrin Allemagne	