

Master in Advanced European and International Studies

Mediterranean Studies



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About the programme

The **Mediterranean Studies** programme of the Master in Advanced European and International Studies (MAEIS) is targeted at students who have completed their undergraduate studies.

The Master follows an original approach: The MAEIS is an **international, interdisciplinary and itinerant programme** which aims to educate the next generation of Euro-Mediterranean decision-makers. Following the motto "Learning and living the Mediterranean", students rotate their place of study each term, moving from **Nice** to **Tunis** and then to **Istanbul**, including a study trip to **Brussels**. Small class sizes enable students to actively engage with course material; our professors offer personalised advice as students conduct research and write their theses.

The MAEIS is a one-year-programme, subdivided into three terms. At the end of the academic year, students have the option to do a **professional internship**.

Our partners

- **Université Centrale**, Tunis
- **Istanbul Bilgi University**, Istanbul



Working languages: English, French

60 or 90 ECTS



Overview of the academic year

- TERM 1**
October to December
- Starting in **Nice**, students will be introduced to the institutional architecture of the EU and its neighbourhood policy. From Nice, students will do a study trip to Brussels where they will visit relevant European institutions and international organisations. The term concludes with a simulation and workshops in international negotiations, intercultural communication and EU-decision-making practices.
- TERM 2**
January to March
- Continuing in **Tunis**, on the campus of our partner Université Centrale, students will be given a unique experience of a historic democratisation process that turned the nobel-peace-prize-winning country into a role model throughout the MENA region. An Arab language course is compulsory for non-Arab speakers.
- TERM 3**
April to June
- In partnership with Istanbul Bilgi University, the programme concludes in **Istanbul** with courses tackling the dynamics of EU–Turkey relations, including questions of migration and climate action. Here, students will have the opportunity to advance with their research work and conclude their thesis until June. The programme ends with the defence and oral exams.
- Internship option**
- Students are invited to complete an **optional internship** (3 to 6 months) along with a submitted report on their professional experiences. This can be accomplished through an international organization, a consultancy, NGO, research institute or in national diplomacy.

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Teaching modules

Conflict Management and Peacemaking The Mediterranean is a case study par excellence for Peace and Conflict Studies. In the last two decades alone, Mediterranean societies have been significantly affected by inter-group violence and inter-state conflicts: from the Western Balkans to Cyprus, from Israel to Palestine, from Libya to Syria.

Globalised Economy in the 21st Century This century's globalised economy is defined by the multiplication of actors: states, transnational corporations, international institutions, NGOs and mafias are all stakeholders. The rise of emerging economies since the 1990s has shaken up power relations. The global economy is dynamic and will continue to allow countries to escape poverty, but it is also a source of deep inequality that gives rise to diverse fears.

Regional Integration and Transformation The EU has become a role model of regional integration. How are European institutions and instruments functioning, including European Neighbourhood Policy? To what extent do the Arab League or the Union for the Mediterranean follow a similar logic of regional integration? And how can we explain the different political transition processes characterising the Southern Mediterranean countries since the Arab Spring?

Mediterranean Politics and Societies Many Mediterranean societies face common issues with respect to migration, gender politics, and the media; however, they diverge in their responses to these challenges. This policy-oriented module proposes solutions to the historical, social and cultural diversity challenging Mediterranean societies nowadays.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Gain the professional skills and competences to work in European and international organisations! Workshops on:

- Project cycle management
- Intercultural communication
- International mediation and negotiation
- Real-time EU policies case study: practical exercises
- Drafting of position papers and policy recommendations
- Individual career coaching

DEGREE AND RECOGNITION

Graduates are awarded two certifications:

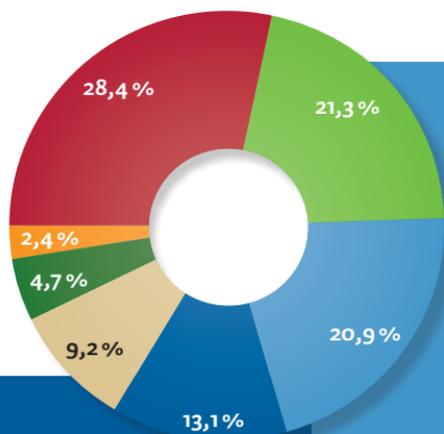
- **Master in Advanced European and International Studies:**
This is the diploma of CIFE as private institute of higher education, certifying the successful completion of the academic curriculum and granting 60 ECTS or 90 ECTS (with the internship option) credits at Master level.
- The degree qualification **Policy Officer in European and International Organisations** is recognised by the French state as a degree at Master level (level 7 EQF)

Career prospects

Graduates of this programme work for European institutions, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, national diplomacy, consultancies, research institutes as well as for the private sector. The programme equips them with the necessary knowledge, skills and competences required on the job market of international and European organisations. Since its foundation in 1954, over 5000 students from more than 110 countries have graduated at CIFE. The practice of the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS) in our programme has been monitored by an official counsellor of the European Commission.

Professional fields of recent CIFE graduates

- International and EU Organisations
- Companies and Banks
- National Governments and Administration
- Research and Teaching
- Consultancy and Advocacy
- International Humanitarian Sector/NGOs
- International Media



Tuition and scholarship funds

Tuition fees: 8900 €

The amount covers tuition and mentoring throughout the year, individual career coaching, the students' accommodation in Tunis, the programme-related travel expenses, the study trip to Brussels, simulations and professional skills workshops, participation in conferences etc. A limited number of scholarships is available for particularly qualified candidates.

Admission requirements

- A completed first degree (minimum three years of study at university level)
- Active knowledge of English and French

As an international and interdisciplinary programme, this Master is open to candidates of all nationalities and academic backgrounds.

More detailed information can be found online at www.cife.eu.

Application deadline: 15 May of current year



Sarah Dahmani France/Algérie, MAEIS 2015/16
Chargée de mission à l'Autorité des marchés financiers, France



Ce programme offre une expérience unique et une immersion totale dans la coopération internationale et la découverte du mode de vie méditerranéen. De nombreuses rencontres avec des acteurs politiques ou membres de la société civile complètent une formation pertinente qui n'hésite pas à allier cours théoriques et thématiques actuelles telles que l'immigration ou encore la transition démocratique en Tunisie. Je définirai ce programme comme une opportunité exceptionnelle de vivre une expérience académique mais surtout humaine incomparable !

Leo Liay Italy, MAEIS 2017/18
Assistant Programme Officer, The Asia Foundation, Philippines



This Master not only represents a great opportunity to theoretically understand the dynamics characterising the magnificent, but extremely challenging region of the Mediterranean, but also offers the chance to experience it at first hand. Studying in Nice, Tunis and Rome offered a more holistic perspective of the similarities and differences between Mediterranean societies. Moreover, the curriculum's workshops went to strengthen the professional education of its future policy-makers. Alternating academic research and remarkable adventures in these countries with a culturally diverse group of students is definitely the added value of this programme.

Sebastian Franzkowiak Germany, MAEIS 2015/16
Junior Advisor at the German development agency (GIZ) –
G20 Compact with Africa, Germany



Facing unprecedented migration and terrorism, with this programme, I felt confirmed in my decision to study the Mediterranean from a cross-country, multi-disciplinary perspective. To better understand the essence and roots of these complex phenomena, and crucially to move away from a eurocentred thinking towards a more nuanced view of our fast changing world. The MAEIS ensures a truly international experience, also on an interpersonal level: In smaller and larger groups we enjoyed South African or American Thanksgiving dinners on the French Côte d'Azur and participated in traditional music events in Tunis. Finally, it certainly helps that CIFE cares a lot about each student.



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

Centre international de formation européenne

CIFE is a private institution of higher education and research, founded in 1954 with its main office in Nice and offices in Berlin, Brussels and Istanbul. It receives special funding in the framework of the Jean Monnet Programme of the European Union. For over 60 years, we have been unstinting advocates of European integration through our international and interdisciplinary study programmes.

Jean-Claude Juncker is Honorary President of CIFE.

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