Invitation

Would you like to know more about the European Union? And do you want to experience the atmosphere of an international seminar with young people from around the globe?

Participants of the 2015 European Summer Course:
- learn about the fundamental aspects of European integration,
- focus on the set-up of the EU, Human Rights Protection and the Single Market,
- address the challenge of climate change, international crisis and the strive for separatism inside the EU,
- get to know the current and future tasks, e.g. a new migration and asylum policy, of the EU,
- discuss Europe’s multifaceted dimensions with renowned experts,
- deepen their knowledge of Europe in international interactive working groups,
- visit the European institutions in Brussels and Strasbourg,
- extend their intercultural understanding by an interactive programme.

It was a great possibility to take a look behind the curtain of the European Institutions and to see the EU from different perspectives. The combination of professional speakers, interesting excursions and international students made it to an unique experience!

Antonella Baca, Austria

Very interesting and informative course! A lot of amazing lectures and subjects, very friendly atmosphere. Strongly recommended to everyone, it’s a great summer curriculum!

Dmitrii Kniazev, Russia

The programme is a voyage of discovery for each participant. Take the opportunity and participate in the European Summer Course 2015!

How to find us

EUROPEAN SUMMER COURSE

Mapping EU’s Current and Future Tasks

19 - 30 July 2015
Otzenhausen
(Germany)

Frankfurt/Hahn Airport (51 km)
Saarbrücken-Enshelm Airport (63 km)
International Airport Findel, Luxemburg (83 km)
Aeroport Metz (136 km)
City-Airport Mannheim (146 km)
International Airport Frankfurt/Main (185 km)

From the north and the east: direction Mainz
From the south and the west: direction Saarbrücken
Destination: Türkismühle (Bus nr. R200 connection enables you to reach Otzenhausen)
Programme

Sunday, 19 July 2015
Until 12:00 Arrival of the students and check-in
13:30-15:30 Welcome address, introduction to the programme
16:00-18:30 Workshop: Breaking the ice & sketching expectations

Monday, 20 July 2015
09:00-10:30 Introducing the Milestones of European Integration
Prof. Dr. Joachim Schild, University of Trier
11:00-13:00 No lame duck: Decision-making in the European Union
Dipl.-Jur. Sebastian Zeitzmann LL.M., EAO
14:30-18:00 Workshop: Let's talk about tobacco! Simulating the EU’s decision-making
Dipl.-Jur. Sebastian Zeitzmann LL.M., EAO

Tuesday, 21 July 2015
09:30-12:30 Human Rights in the EU
Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich LL.M., Saarland University
14:00-17:00 Human Rights Protection in Europe: Case-Study on Data Protection
Mag. iur. Mag. phil. Oskar Gstrein LL.M., Saarland University

Wednesday, 22 July 2015 - Brussels
08:00 Departure to Brussels
14:00-16:00 Visit to the European Parliament
17:00-18:30 Reception at the Representation of the Federal State Saarland - Speech to the State of the Union (N.N.)

Thursday, 23 July 2015 - Brussels
09:45-12:15 Visit to the European Commission - The role of the European Commission in the EU - The Single Market - EU Migration Policy
12:45 Free time in the city

Friday, 24 July 2015
09:00-12:00 The Four Freedoms of the Single Market
Dipl.-Jur. Sabrina Lauer LL.M., Saarland University
14:00-17:30 The Economic and Monetary Union - Current Check and Future Challenges
Prof. Dr. Christos VI. Gortsos, Secretary General of the Hellenic Bank Association, Panteion University of Athens

Programme

Saturday, 25 July 2015
09:00-13:00 Simulation: European Union as a Trade Power - The EU inside the WTO
Ass. iur. Mareike Fröhlich LL.M., Ass. iur. Anja Trautmann LL.M., Europa-Institut, Saarland University
14:30 Visit to Trier with guided tour and free time

Sunday, 26 July 2015
09:00-13:00 Attaining a coherent EU Energy and Climate Policy
Dipl.-Pol. Severin Fischer, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Berlin
14:30-17:00 Workshop: Climate Protection and Energy Security
Dipl.-Pol. Severin Fischer, German Institute for International and Security Affairs (SWP), Berlin

Monday, 27 July 2015 - Strasbourg
07:00 Departure to Strasbourg
10:00-12:30 Visit to the Council of Europe and/or the European Court of Human Rights

Tuesday, 28 July 2015
09:30-12:30 A „toothless tiger“? The EU’s Common Foreign and Security Policy
Dr. Andreas Marchetti, Senior Fellow, Zentrum für Europäische Integrationsforschung, University of Bonn
14:30-17:00 How to deal with refugees? The EU’s Migration Policy
Dr. Sergio Mananashvili, European University Institute, Florence
17:00-18:30 Round Table: A model European Asylum and Refugee Policy

Wednesday, 29 July 2015
09:00-12:30 Back to the nation or the region: Is there a danger for the European Project?
Dr. Stefan Seidendorf, German-Franco Institute (dfi), Ludwigsburg (tbc)
14:00-17:30 Workshop: Separatism in the EU
Dipl.-Jur. Helen Küchler LL.M., Saarland University

Thursday, 30 July 2015
09:00-10:30 Evaluation
10:30 Departure

Information

Venue
Europäische Akademie Otzenhausen gGmbH
Europahausstraße 35
66620 Nonnweiler, Germany
www.eao-otzenhausen.de

Participants
Young people (esp. students/ young professionals) from all fields of studies and nationalities with a strong interest in European topics.

Organization
Europäische Akademie Otzenhausen gGmbH (EAO)
ASKO EUROPÄ-STIFTUNG (AES), Saarbrücken
Europa-Institut, Saarland University (EI), Saarbrücken
Centre International de Formation Européenne (CIFE), Nice

Coordination and responsibility
Dr. Elisabeth Schmitt, EAO

Scientific adviser
Prof. Dr. Thomas Giegerich, EI

Working language
English (good skills required)

Participation fee and service
900,00 Euro. (The seminar fee is split as follows: 2/3 cover the seminar costs, 1/3 cover the institutional costs. The seminar fee is split up in accordance with funding guidelines. The seminar fee is a lump sum, therefore it is not possible to reimburse any unused services.)

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