

ANNUAL SUMMARY

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The Europaeum is an association of seventeen (as of 2020) European leading universities. Founded in 1992 by Oxford University, and on the vision of Lord Weidenfeld, the Europaeum brings together talented students and faculty working in the Humanities and the Social Sciences, to promote a better 'sense of Europe' through collaboration and academic mobility. We believe that today, we need more not less international collaboration, more not less emphasis on universities engaging with the wider society, and more not less connection between the disciplines. And we believe that fresh cohorts of talented young people, committed to making a difference for the better, are essential to shaping the future of Europe for the better.

For 27 years, we have successfully encouraged collaboration between European research universities, facilitated tripartite dialogue between academics, students, and those working in the public and private sectors, and we have contributed to European-wide debates about culture, politics, and society. We have established excellent faculty collaboration and student exchange; we have earned a reputation for organising strikingly successful student Spring and Summer Schools, public debates, seminars, joint teaching programmes, lectures and workshops; and we run high quality linked scholarship schemes.

In 2020, the second cohort of the Europaeum Scholars Programme started their journey, albeit somewhat disrupted by the Covid-19 crisis which made it necessary to hold modules online. Core activities have also been impacted, with some postponed to 2021 (Classics Colloquium and Summer School), and a delayed Spring School taking place on Zoom. Much effort went into facilitating homeworking and online events and any time gained was used to continue work on our Alumni network as well as prepare for a new website in 2021. In October, Dr Marcin Walecki took up the position as Director in a full-time role, Dr Hartmut Mayer moved to the role of Executive Chair, and Dr Andrew Graham became a Trustee.

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Chairman of the Independent Commission on Policing for Northern Ireland, 1999
European Commissioner for External Relation, 1999-2004
Chancellor, University of Oxford 2003 to present



Professor José Manuel Barroso

Minister of Foreign Affairs, Portugal, 1992-1995
Leader of the Opposition (Portugal), 1999-2004
President of Social Democratic Party, from 1999-2004
Prime Minister of Portugal, 2002-2004
President of the European Commission, 2004-2014



Professor Philippe Burrin

Director of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, 2008 to present (and from 2004 previously)
Professor in History and International Relations 1993-2004
Fellow at All Soul's College, Oxford (2003), Wissenschaftskolleg Berlin (2000-2001), French Centre for Research, Jerusalem (2000), Harvard Centre for European Studies (1994-1995)



Dr. Erhard Busek

Vice-Chancellor of Austria, 1991-1995
Special Representative of the Austrian Government on EU Enlargement, 2000/01
Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for Southern Europe, 2002-2008
Vice-Chancellor University of Applied Sciences, Salzburg



Andrienne d'Arenberg

Financial Consultant, Merrill Lynch Bank, Austria, 1996-1999
FBLA Consulting Partner, Geneva, 2007-2016
Head of Family Business Community, World Economic Forum, 2016-2019
Executive in Residence, Oxford Saïd Business School, 2020-



Dr Andrew Graham

Executive Chair of the Europaeum (2010 – 2020) & Founder of the Europaeum Scholars Programme (2017)
Warden of Rhodes House (2012/13)
Master of Balliol College, Oxford (2001-2011)
Founder of the Oxford Internet Institute (2001)



Margaret Jay, Baroness Jay of Paddington

Member of the House of Lords, Lord Temporal, 1992 to present
Minister for Women, 1998-2001
Leader of the House of Lords, Lord Privy Seal, 1998-2001
Chair of the Constitution Committee, 2010 to present



Pascal Lamy

Member of the European Commission, 1979-2004
European Commissioner for Trade, 1999-2004
Director-General of the World Trade Organization, 2005-2013
President Emeritus of the Jacques Delors Institute



Professor Sally Mapstone

Lecturer, Oxford 1984-2006
Reader/Professor, Oxford 2006-2016
Junior Proctor, Oxford, 2006-07
Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Oxford 2009-2016
Principal of St Andrews University, 2016 to present



Laura Nordström

Special Adviser, European Parliament, 2009-11 and 2014-18
Special Adviser, Foreign Ministry/Prime Minister's Office, Finland, 2011-14
PhD Researcher, University of Helsinki (Political Science), 2017-
Europaeum Scholar (2018/19)



H.E. Karel Schwarzenberg

Member of the Chamber of Deputies, from 2010
Senator from Prague 6, 2004-2010
Leader of TOP 09, 2009-2015
First Deputy Prime Minister, Czech Republic, 2010-2013
Minister of Foreign Affairs, 2007-2009, and 2010-2013



Professor Carel J.J.M. Stolker

Director of E.M. Meijers Institute of Legal Studies, 1996-2001
Professor of Private Law and Dean of Leiden University Law School, 2005-2011
Rector Magnificus and President of Leiden University, 2013 to present



Professor Tomáš Zima

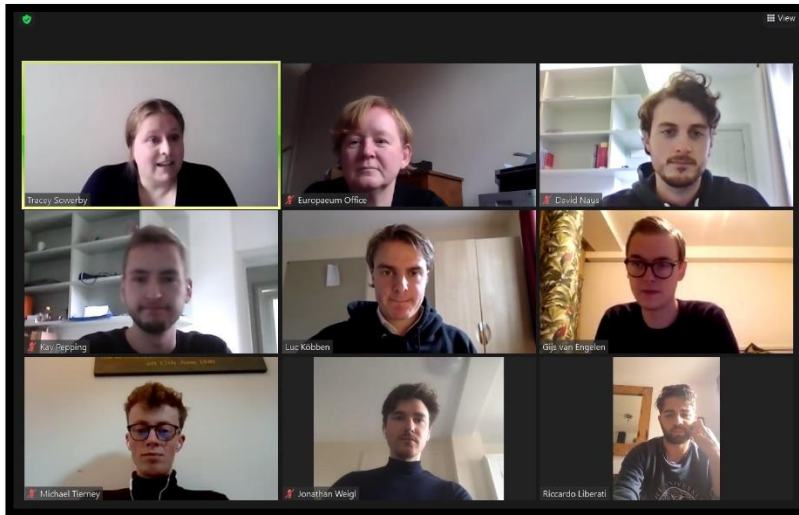
Professor of medical chemistry and biochemistry, 2001 to present
Head of Institute of Medical Biochemistry and Laboratory Medicine, Prague
Rector of Charles University, Prague, 2014 to present
Dean of First Faculty of Medicine, Charles University, Prague, 2005-2012

MA EUROPEAN HISTORY & CIVILISATION

The Europaeum Masters Programme in European History and Civilisation offers graduate students a special opportunity to deepen their knowledge of European history and institutions, their philosophical and historical backgrounds and underpinnings, and their social and economic contexts, through the lens of three different university worlds. This knowledge plays an increasingly crucial role in practical decision-making and strategic planning, where Europe-wide and global contact and negotiation is required. Students spend a term each in Leiden, Paris and Oxford.

In 2020, physical presence of students in Oxford was made difficult by the Covid-19 crisis. Some completed their degree in Leiden, some opted for an online Oxford term and some postponed their studies to the autumn.

Abel Bormans	Pim Fortuyn and the development views on democracy
Luc Köbben	How have citizenship and national identity been (re)defined by exclusion?
Riccardo Liberati	Italian Merchants in Ilkhanid Persia
David Naus	Public debt and modern state debt system 1748-1848: Bankers in Amsterdam, Paris and London
Clemence Overeem	Constructing the immigration crisis in the Netherlands in the 1980s
Kay Pepping	The Dutch East India Company and the governors of Surat
Emma Post	Perception of Jewish women in the League of Nations Advisory Committee on Traffic of Women and Children btwn 1921 and 1933
Michael Tierney	A New Cult for New Europe? Patron Saints of Europe and the construction of a pan-European identity. 1964-1999
Gijs van Engelen	The great American novel as a historical source
Anselm Jonathan Weigl	Urban nightlife around 1900: a comparison of Berlin and London



MA students in Zoom meeting, November 2020 (left) and Kay Pepping on Radcliffe Square (below)



MA EUROPEAN POLITICS & SOCIETY

This joint master's degree is offered by Charles University as leading partner (Prague), plus Jagiellonian University (Krakow), Leiden University and Pompeu Fabra University (Barcelona), with the help of Erasmus Mundus funding. It is a two-year programme that starts in Prague and subsequently offers different options. Students will receive a Europaeum Certificate and some will be invited to attend the Spring School in Oxford in their second year.

[More information](#)

The first cohort of students started on this two-year course in 2017/18

MA VACLAV HAVEL

This is a specialisation offered to master's students at Charles University (Prague), Leiden University and Paris I (Sorbonne) who can spend one semester at one partner university.

Growing network of the Václav Havel Scholars

Report by Anna Lukešová

In Prague, the Charles University's Alumni of the Václav Havel Programme gathered to remember five years since the first university exchange of the Václav Havel Scholars. During this time, Charles University in Prague sent eighteen students for an exchange at Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne or Leiden University, with two other students completing their second year of the programme at present. This numerous group thus created a great team of friends who meet actively even after years.

The Václav Havel Programme gained its name after the prominent personality of the Czech ex-president Václav Havel. The programme was launched in the academic year of 2012/2013 by a trio of the Europaeum member universities: Leiden University, Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne and Charles University in Prague. It is designed as a complementary two-year programme for Masters' students of the three partner universities who focus their studies on European issues. The Václav Havel Scholars enjoy not only a one-semester exchange at one of the partner universities of the programme, but they also participate in the Oxford Spring School where they can meet with students from other member universities of the Europaeum association or students involved in other Europaeum programmes, such as *History & Civilisation* or *European Politics & Society*.



Havel graduates receive their certificates (2018)

GRADUATE WORKSHOPS SPRING SCHOOL, SUMMER SCHOOL SEMINARS & DEBATES

23 January 2020

Oxford, St Antony's College



Conference

Life outside the Euro – Monetary and Financial Issues for the EU periphery and beyond

EuPEP, together with SEESOX and the ESC convened a conference on “Life Outside the Euro: Monetary and financial issues affecting the EU periphery and beyond”. Much research on EU integration looks at the “core” EU countries, and analyses the speed and priorities for taking forward the European project. This conference recognized that “one size does not fit all” within the EU context, and that prematurely fitting all member states with the same shoe may undermine the stability not only of that member state but also to EU as a whole. There are trade-offs for member states as to when and if to join the euro, and whilst they are outside the euro whether to join the banking union. The conference examined these issues, as well as two other issues of importance to some of these countries: the future of the Vienna Initiative and the framework of macroprudential policies in the EU as it affects countries outside the core. This conference was open to the public and the Europaeum was a cooperating partner for this event and recruited participants from within the Europaeum network.

Panels:

Banking issues for the EU outside the Euro: Joining the banking union?

The Vienna Initiative: where now?

Currency and stability issues in the EU outside the Euro

Macroprudential frameworks

Europaeum participants

Aynur Asadli (MA International Affairs, Graduate Institute, Geneva)

Rani de Leeneer (MA International Politics, KU Leuven)

Agni Poullikka (MPhil Politics, Oxford)

Antonio Salmeri (PhD Law, Luxembourg)

Lukas Spielberger (PhD European Political Economy, Leiden)

Maarten van Campenhout (MA International Relations, Leiden)

12-14 February 2020
Palace of Mafra, Portugal

Graduate Workshop

China in Europe: Economics, Political and Geo-strategic challenges



In an era of increasing economic interdependence China is playing a growing role in the global economy, including in Europe, which presents both opportunities and challenges. This conference aimed to analyze the different dimensions of an increasingly assertive Chinese presence in Europe from Economics to Politics and Geo-strategy.

The seminar invited 25-30 students and leading experts to reflect on China's Belt and Road initiative, the 'Made in China 2025' plan, the China 17+1 initiative and Trade disputes between China, the US and Europe. Other questions that were looked at included technology competition and critical infrastructure investment.

The event took place in Portugal — one of the most exposed European economies to Chinese investment - , in the Royal Building of Mafra (25km from Lisbon), which has recently been distinguished as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO.

Lectures

Professor William Hasselberger | Surveillance Capitalism and Surveillance Authoritarianism: What's the Difference?

Professor José Manuel Barroso

Professor Francisco Proença Garcia | China's penetration in Africa, with a focus on Mozambique

Group discussions

- The silk road initiative and geo-economic consequences for Europe.
Moderator: Professor Nuno Sampaio
- Europe between China and America: Strategic autonomy, equidistance or clear geopolitical choices?
Moderator: Professor Francisco Proença Garcia
- Chinese investment patterns in Europe.
Moderator: Professor Sónia Ribeiro
- The contestation of liberal values: Challenges for shared global governance
Moderator: Professor William Hasselberger

Student presentations:

Michał Rekowski (Jagiellonian University, Krakow)
European Union, China and the challenge of the risks of 5G

Gareth Heywood (University of Leiden)
Europe's evolving regulatory landscape and the consequences for China's Digital Silk Road

Laura Lisboa (Católica, Lisbon)
Between Continuity and Change

Siqi Zhao (KU Leuven)

The 'Single Economics Entity' issue of the Chinese SEOs under the EU Merger Review

Luis Santos (Católica, Lisbon)

The strategic implications of Chinese foreign direct investment in Portugal

Feedback

Overall assessment	100% excellent or very good
Talks & lectures	80% excellent or very good
Discussion groups	70% excellent or very good
Organisation	100% excellent or very good
Programme shape/concept/theme	100% excellent or very good
Food & other aspects	100% excellent or very good
Did their understanding of the topic change/improve?	100% yes
Would attend another Europaeum event	100% yes
Would recommend Europaeum to others	100% yes

“ Very well organised. It’s perfect that they’d let students express their thoughts, and it wouldn’t be like a conference where you sit down and listen. It was a truly European debate ... It was very valuable to hear various opinions about the same political events, and I found some people with similar research topics or methods to mine that I could consult with.“

12-13 March 2020
Zagreb



SEMINAR **The EU and the Balkan region: the state of play**

With Croatia's accession to the EU in December 2011, the EU signalled to the other states of the Western Balkans that accession to the EU would be possible if they reformed accordingly and converged with basic European values. But instead of convergence, the EU and the Western Balkans are growing apart. This means that the Balkan region remains a major political construction site - economically, culturally, ethnically and historically highly complex, with very different expectations of the EU.

In addition, the region faces problems of illiberalism, democratic backsliding and corruption practices. Some countries in the region seem far from being able to meet the requirements of EU accession in the near future. Other challenges which are relevant in the region include: Sustainability and economic growth; Connectivity; Security and geopolitical challenges; the EU Enlargement policy; Regional demographics and brain drain

On the occasion of Croatia's EU Presidency, during the first semester of 2020, United Europe and the Europaeum invited 25 Young Professionals as well as students from the Europaeum Network from all over Europe to Zagreb to discuss the following issues:

- What are Croatia's goals in its EU Presidency?
- What about corruption, democracy and media freedom in the Balkan countries?
- What influence does China have in the Balkans with its Belt & Road initiative? What does this mean?

- How does the role of Russia in the region affect stability?
- What are the causes of the divergence between Western and Eastern Europe?
- Are solutions conceivable to overcome the division and promote the integration of the whole of the Balkan region into the EU?

Plenaries

Marko Pavić (Minister for Regional Development & EU Funds
The Croatian EU Presidency and the role of the Balkans in the EU

Elmar Brok (former MEP)
Impulse "Response perspectives from the EU

Gunther Fehlinger (Secretary General of CEE BC)
Impulse: Q&A with the participants

Miroslav Brnjak (Team Leader of Communications & Government Relations, BASF South-Central Europe)
Impulse: "Multinational companies and Western Balkans EU path: BASF's perspective"

Working Groups

- Prospects for EU enlargement and the aims of Croatian EU Presidency
Moderator: Hartmut Mayer
- Quality of democracy: the role of rule of law and civil society
Moderator: Jessie Barton Hronešová
- Security and geopolitical challenges
Moderator: Othon Anastasakis
- Regional demographics and brain drain
Moderator: Marcus Lippold

Europaeum participants

Cody Busia (PhD Social Sciences, KU Leuven)

Hannah Grace Carter (MA Eastern European Studies, Inequality in Eastern Europe, FU Berlin)

Elisabetta Crevatin (MA International Relations, Global Conflict in the Modern Era, Leiden)

Karina Matvienko (MA Eastern European Studies/Political Science, FU Berlin)

Aleksandra Popova (MA International Relations, Russian foreign policy in the Balkans, Bologna)

Sarah Schneider-Alia (DPHil Sociology, Emigration and Education in Albania, Oxford)

Nikola Stojisavljevic (MA Anthropology and Sociology, Geneva)

Hattie Watson (MLitt Legal and Constitutional Studies, The right to self-determination on humanitarian grounds, St Andrews)

Zoé Kappes (MA European and International Studies, Relations between the EU and its Eastern neighbours, Jagiellonian/Sciences Po)

Tatiana Valyaeva (MA Political Science, EU-Russia relations in the area of energy policy, Munich)

27-28 August 2020

Zoom



Spring/Summer School

(originally planned as Spring School in Oxford April 2020)

Europe in the World – the World in Europe

For the last five centuries it has been perceived that Europe was the main influence on major world developments through its formal and informal colonial and neo-colonial power. In the last fifty decades or so, however, it could be argued that the greatest influence on the state of Europe itself has come from the world outside. Influences from the outside have not only affected the political agenda in most of Europe's countries, they also have had profound social and cultural impact. Europe is also greatly affected by the economic consequences of globalisation.

This Spring School will bring together post-graduate researchers, mainly but by no means exclusively, in Humanities and Social Sciences discussing the wider impact of the world on Europe and of Europe in the world in a historical and contemporary context. Issues that will be explored include topics such as migration, economic investments in Europe and security challenges stemming from external instability, but the participants are also actively invited to challenge the notions underlying this simple dichotomy and provide alternative readings of how interdependence in the world has developed over the last centuries and how that affects the current state of Europe.

Convenor: Dr Gabriela Frei

LECTURES

Professor Patricia Clavin and Professor Andrew Hurrell in conversation on 'Europe in a Global Context'

Professor Alexander Stubb, Professor Brigid Laffan, Dr Nathalie Tocci in conversation on 'The Future of Europe'

PANEL 1

Europe's Engagement with the Islamic World

Riccardo Liberati (MA in European History and Civilisation)

The Armenian Kingdom of Cilicia: A Bridge between Europe and the East, 1280 –1310

Kay Pepping (MA in European History and Civilisation)

VOC-Merchants and Mughal Mutasaddi: The Practice of Provincial Business Diplomacy in Surat, 1699 – 1702

Samaneh Kahalili (PhD in Educational Sciences)

Human Agency and its Impact based on Islamic and Liberal Perspectives

PANEL 2

Cultures and Performances of Identity

Loanh Mirande (PhD in History)

Dancing and Playing Extra-European in Brussels (1741 – 1780)

Jonathan Weigl (MA European History and Civilisation)

Urbanisation, *Heterotopias* and Nightlife: Berlin around 1900 as a Metropolis *Par Excellence*

Fernando Valcheff Garcia (MLitt Crossways in Cultural Narratives)

Reimagining Van Gogh's Universe in Europe and Latin America: A Case of Artistic Crossways in Poetry and Film

PANEL 3

Theme: European Identities and the Movement of People

Luc Köbben (MA European History and Civilisation)

Citizenship, the Nation, and the State. The Relational Character of Issues of Membership in the Nation-State

Emma Post (MA European History and Civilisation)

"Fighting a Ghost". Collecting Data and Creating Knowledge on Sex Trafficking in the League of Nations, 1921 – 1939

Costas Kyritsopoulos (MA European Politics and Society)

National Identity and EU Support: The Role of Immigration Salience after the Crisis

PANEL 4

Theme: Europe in the World: Geopolitical Shifts Present and Future

Lucas Augustín Fagliano (MA European Politics and Society)

EU Grand Strategy: Connecting the Dots

Mateo Villamil Valencia (PhD in Sociology and Anthropology)

A World on a Threshold: The Fall of Spontaneous

PANEL 5

Theme: The Future of Europe

Jelena Malidzan (MA European Politics and Society)

Geopolitical Conditions and Assumptions for Establishing the Western Balkans. Regional Economic Area as a Premise for Accelerated EU Membership

Olha Kovalska (MA European Politics and Society)

Determinants of Individual Support for European Integration: The Case of Ukraine

Alena Akimova (MA European Politics and Society)

E-Government Performance in the EU: Does Trust Matter?

Group discussions moderated by

Dr Gabriela Frei, Dr Tracey Sowerby, Dr Hartmut Mayer, Dr Barry Colfer

Other Europaeum student participants:

Mariam Bidzinashvili (MA European Politics and Society)

Abel Bormans (MA European History & Civilisation)

Giulia Consoli (PhD History, Bologna)

Samaneh Khalili (PhD Educational Sciences, Helsinki)

Yulia Maximenkova (MA North American Studies, FU Berlin)

Dimitris Mitsopoulos (MA Global History, FU Berlin)

David Naus (MA European History & Civilisation)

Stefania-Felicia Pavel (MA European Politics and Society)

Luc Poveromo (MA International History, Geneva)
Michael Tierney (MA European History & Civilisation)

Feedback

Overall assessment	86% excellent or very good
Talks & lectures	75% excellent or very good
Student papers	75% excellent or very good
Organisation	94% excellent or very good
Programme shape/concept/theme	72% excellent or very good
Timekeeping	100% excellent or very good
Did their understanding of the topic change/improve?	87% yes
Would attend another Europaeum event	93% yes
Would recommend Europaeum to others	87% yes

“The interest of others in my topic is a great motivation ... Organization was on a top level! Great job! ... I found the key lecture of day two quite fascinating. I think it was because of the moderator's acute questions, the relevance of the topic for today's world, and the high quality of the speakers. “

Shortened report by the convenor, Dr Gabriela Frei

The theme of the Summer School ‘Europe in the World – The World in Europe’ offered many opportunities to engage with Europe’s position in the world in the past, present, and future: How does or did Europe influence other parts of the world, how does or did the world impact Europe, and how does the world affect the current state of Europe? Student papers covered a variety of research areas, such as Europe’s Engagement with the Islamic World; Cultures and Performances of Identity; European Identities and the Movement of People; Europe in the World: Geopolitical Shifts Present and Future; and the Future of Europe. Panels were grouped around these sub-themes.

An overview of the lectures and student presentations can be seen above, showing the breadth of the conversations and papers in this event.

Topics of individual group discussions covered aspects of European identity; the foundations of European politics; the role of European history; the idea of Europe; geostrategic challenges for Europe and how the EU and European countries deal with the current health crisis, and how Covid-19 affects thinking about Europe and the World.

Despite the challenges a virtual event naturally poses, and the lack of in-person opportunity of intellectual exchange, all participants were highly motivated and involved, and the feedback received confirms that the students’ academic research benefitted from their participation. This was the first “core activities” event that the Europaeum held in a virtual format. It worked extremely well. Feedback on various features (length of breaks/sessions etc) will be taken on board for future events.

19-22 October 2020

Online

(originally planned in Estoril, Portugal, in June 2020)



International Graduate Debate (Estoril Political Forum)

New Authoritarian Challenges to Liberal Democracy

The Institute for Political Studies of the Catholic University of Portugal hosted its annual major international summer school and conference in Lisbon at the end of June, bringing together policy-makers and academics from the US, UK, Portugal and the rest of Europe. Keynote speakers included Professor José Manuel Barroso. The motion for the Europaeum debate was **‘Should democracies perceive China as a threat or a partner?’**

Europaeum student participants

Lok Hang Abraham Chan (MA North American Studies, FU Berlin)

Soso Dzamukashvili (MA Central and Eastern European, Russian and Eurasian Studies, Jagiellonian)

Alexandre Touzet (MA Political Science, Paris)

Michaelmas Term 2020

Tuesdays at 10am
(Zoom)



Weekly Seminar

for the graduates on the MA in European History & Civilisation, and members of the University of Oxford

‘European Identities and Cultures’

20 October Professor Philippa Levine | What does comparative history offer the Historian of Europe?

27 October Dr Michael Depreter | How gunpowder artillery shaped Early Modern states: Military technology, political culture, and state development in the Low Countries, France and England.

3 November Dr Fabian Persson | Meeting the King: Swedish royal audiences in the nineteenth century

10 November Dr Claire O’Mahony | Metallurgy and Microhistory: Materializing Eastern France at the 1925 Paris Exhibition

17 November Professor Robert Evans | From People into Nations: Was Eastern Europe Special?

July-October 2020



(photo: KU Leuven,
Rob Stevens)

REPORT

Covid-19 Impact on Higher Education Comparative Analysis of the Europaeum Member Universities

During summer 2020, the Europaeum teamed up with the Blavatnik School of Government (Oxford) for a summer project that formed part of the degree requirement of three of their master's students who found themselves unable to embark on their summer internships due to Covid travel restrictions. Two former Europaeum Scholars were added to a small research team to produce this invaluable report, conducting a big survey, holding interviews and doing a lot of research within the Europaeum member network to find out more about the universities' response to the coronavirus crisis and the impact on students. Even though the final version of the report was only ready in October, it still formed a very useful overview of the enormous impact the coronavirus outbreak had on universities and their students and it remains to be seen what the long-term consequences are on all levels.

<https://europaeum.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/Covid19-Impact-Report-2020-The-Europaeum-2.pdf>

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EUROPAEUM SCHOLARS PROGRAMME

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<https://europaeum.org/europaeum-scholars-programme/>

The prime aim of the Europaeum Scholars Programme (launched in 2018) is to engage academic thinking with policy making and to produce a new generation of leaders, thinkers and researchers with the capacity to meet the cultural, political and societal challenges facing Europe today.

Scholars attend eight modules, taken over two years, alongside their existing degrees. Being multi-locational and multi-institutional the programme draws upon the resources of all the Europaeum university members. Teaching is by Europaeum affiliated academics together with a wide range of external experts and leading thinkers. Scholars visit key European and international institutions where they learn about how they function in conversation with practitioners and policy makers. There are opportunities to directly engage with people facing some of the most difficult circumstances in contemporary society. By the end scholars emerge with knowledge and a set of skills and contacts equal to any group anywhere.

At its core, the Scholars programme involves multidisciplinary team work engaged in problem solving within the context of contemporary Europe. Scholars work intensively in small groups on a policy project that they identify, design and develop under the guidance of a mentor. Each team's policy recommendations are judged by a panel of external experts, and there is the potential for publication of the best.

Each student is fully funded by a scholarship worth €10,000 per annum for two years. This covers full accommodation, travel, food and all tuition. A maximum of 30 places was available for the first cohort.

BENEFITS INCLUDE

Learning – how to collaborate in a multidisciplinary team

Developing – key leadership skills for success in the public or private sectors

Networking – with scholars and academics from leading European universities

Hearing – from a range of professionals involved in shaping policy in Europe

Experiencing – several other European universities in addition to your own

Training – that utilises the best professional and doctoral training schemes

The ability – to 'stand out' in the increasingly saturated job market for graduates.

The Europaeum Scholars Programme offers a unique opportunity to be part of a network of some of the brightest people of your generation. Scholars are able to connect their doctoral research with the world of policy making, to draw on the combined resources of more than a dozen of Europe's leading universities, to learn how to work as a team (and what leading a team involves), and to understand the complexity of policy making. They will learn more about themselves.

European Scholars are people who “think for themselves, but not just of themselves”. They are people with the capacity and the desire to create a better future for Europe, who combine academic excellence with a clear commitment to promoting the public good. Highly motivated and well organised they will have a strong interest in connecting the lessons that can be learned from academic research to the public arena.

June 2020, Online mini module (as semi-replacement for in-person April module in Oxford)

- Discussion panel on Europe Today (Heather Grabbe, Open Society Foundations), Duncan Robinson (The Economist) and Dr Hartmut Mayer (The Europaeum), followed by small group discussions
- A talk on disinformation in elections with Professor Philip Howard (University of Oxford) followed by small group discussion
- A workshop on killer robots and ethics in warfare followed by small group discussion on the ethics of technology in warfare
- A workshop with the Oxford Character Project on leading for the public good
- A small group exercise on multidisciplinary



Module 2, August/September 2020

- Project Pitches and Group Discussions
- A Macro-Economic Approach to Europe (Dr Andrew Graham, The Europaeum)
- Seeking Asylum in Europe: A Personal Perspective (Amin Hadian)
- Helping Gang-Affected Women (Abi Billingham, Abianda)
- Migration and Integration (Dr Tania Abbiate, Italian Ministry of the Interior; Professor Prof Dušan Drbohlav (Charles University)
- Dr Martin Rozumek (Organizace pro pomoc uprchlíkům)
- The EU COVID Recovery Package and its Impact (Adrienne Cheasty; Sir Michael Leigh, Bruegel Institute / Johns Hopkins SAIS Bologna; Bradley Blankenship, China Global Television Network)
- Changing Attitudes in Czech Society (Dr Martin Buchtík, STEM.Cz)
- EU Citizenship Policy (Gillian More, EU Commission / KU Leuven)
- Anti-Racism and Diversity Workshop (Roger Courage Matthiessen, Courage Institute)
- Group Work

Module 3, December 2020 (online)

- The European Parliament (Francis Jacobs)
- Getting business done in the European Parliament (MEP Frances Fitzgerald)
- Understanding Advocacy Processes in the EU (representatives from YMCA and EPP Group)
- Capacity Building and Democracy Support (Pietro Ducci, External Policies of the Union)
- The EU as a Global Actor (Federica Mogherini, College of Europe & Erik Jones, SAIS Bologna)
- Climate and Environment Policy (Jacob Werksman, DG CLIMA)
- The System of EU institutions (Anthony Teasdale, DG Parliamentary Research Services)
- The German Presidency of the EU (Nicolai von Ondarza, SWP German Institute for International and Security Affairs; Roland Freudenstein, Wilfried Martens Centre for European Studies)
- Industry and Investment post COVID (Marcus Lippold, DG GROW; Slawomir Tokarski, DG GROW)
- Gender Mainstreaming Workshop (Barbara Limonowska, EIGE)
- EU Policy on Academic Integration and Freedom (Sabine Verheyen, CULT; Sjur Bergan, Council of Europe)
- The Digital Agenda (Flavio Grazian, ECAS; Patryk Pawlak, EU Institute for Security Studies)
- Group Project Work and session of Advocacy in the EU

Between modules:

- regular coffee hour meetings
- Policy and Governance in a Capital City (Dr Vit Šimral, Prague City Council)
- Actor and Influence Mapping (Prof Robert Templer, Institute for Integrated Transitions)



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Bursaries

In 2020, none of the Europaeum bursary recipients could embark on their study trips and every effort is made to postpone these to the next available opportunity in 2021. Full bursaries will continue again in 2022.

The Europaeum offers three bursary schemes, with Charles University, Prague, The Graduate Institute in Geneva and the University of Helsinki. For each of these, one student from Oxford and one student from the partner university spends 3-4 weeks in the other place, in the format of a self-directed study/research trip.

Bursary reports of successful applicants are available on our website.



NEW DIRECTOR

The Trustees of the Europaeum are delighted to announce the appointment of Dr Marcin Walecki as full time Director of the Europaeum with effect from 1 October 2020. In conjunction with taking up this post, Dr Walecki will become the first Europaeum Visiting Fellow at St Antony's College, Oxford.

Lord Patten, Chancellor of the University of Oxford and Chair of the Trustees, commented "I am extremely pleased that Dr Walecki will be joining the Europaeum. He brings extensive experience of different European countries and his deep commitment to democratic values and to the importance of tolerance and freedom of expression chimes particularly well with the current concerns of Europe and its leading universities."

Dr Walecki said "Given the strains and stresses facing Europe, the Europaeum is needed more than ever. Universities need to engage more with what's going on in society and to work together across boundaries and disciplines. Europe and its citizens have to grow closer again, and universities can play a major role in this process. I am greatly looking forward to building on what has already been achieved".



Dr Marcin Walecki was previously Head of Democratization Department of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights. He has over 20 years of democracy assistance and governance experience working in more than 50 countries around the world. He holds a DPhil in Politics from St. Antony's College at Oxford University and a master's in Law (Hons, Class I) from the University of Warsaw. Among numerous executive and advisory roles he has held include being an Executive Director of the European Partnership for Democracy (Brussels), Senior Advisor to the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES, Washington DC) and a Board Member of the School of Leaders Association (Warsaw). He was also a Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute in Florence. As an academic, he has a strong interest in democratic governance and political corruption.

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