Executive Master in EU Studies

EU Expertise for Professionals

E-Learning Weekend Workshops Professional Insight into Europe Flexible – Interdisciplinary – Skill-Oriented

Blended Learning: Online and On-Site



Cife Centre international de formation européenne

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Interdisciplinary and Flexible | 2 years - 60 ECTS

CIFE has offered the Executive Master in EU Studies since 2009.

The Master provides structured knowledge of EU fundamentals, focused on key issues for in-depth understanding and a future-oriented approach to EU integration.

Designed for professionals who want to study while pursuing their careers, our programme is a two-year academic journey that enables flexible study paths. Upon completion of the first year, CIFE can issue a certificate of acquired ECTS.

Each year's incoming class is made up of participants from diverse nationalities and backgrounds.

Our Methods – Virtual and Personal

E-Learning and Face-to-Face Workshops

The Executive Master in EU Studies offers state-of-the-art blended learning through interactive online courses, moderated fora, webinars, instructional videos, individual guidance and face-to-face workshops.

Barcelona, Berlin, Brussels, Budapest, Nice, Rome and Vienna

Our intensive weekend workshops bring participants and faculty together for exclusive lectures and skills training.



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Our Curriculum – Structured and Focused

The first year offers a range of compulsory and optional courses on European integration history, the EU institutional architecture, the EU in world politics, EU law, EU enlargement, the political economy of energy transitions, sustainable development and more.

The second year allows a specialisation with the option to either follow a research track, leading to a Master thesis or a professional track to intensify your skills and competences for the labour market.

Alongside your studies, we provide you with high-level teaching and individual supervision for the best learning outcomes.

Our Faculty – Renowned and International

CIFE's faculty brings together some of Europe's most renowned academics and practitioners in their fields, providing the latest research and concrete insights from the living practice of the EU.

Your Studies - Enriching and Rewarding

- Expand your knowledge by studying with our European faculty in an intercultural and interactive environment.
- Build your own multidimensional vision of Europe's role in a globalised world.
- Choose your specialisation in Political Science, Economics or EU Law.
- Follow a research or professional track.

EXECUTIVE SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

- Negotiate within an international context
- Draft reports, position papers, economic analyses and policy briefs
- Plan, propose and manage an international project
- Identify and balance competing interests during ECJ and EU Council simulation games
- Write legal opinions and writs

Overview of the Two Academic Years

Thanks to our long-standing e-learning expertise in teaching professionals, we offer the perfect blend of online study phases and workshops. The eight weekend workshops launch and wrap up each course with group exercises, exams and several visits to EU and national institutions.



October Kick-Off Workshop

You start an intensive 2-year academic journey with us! The focus is set on the fundamentals of European studies.



January We take you to the city of the establishing Treaty. Your studies continue with an interactive seminar on communication strategies and an introduction to compulsory and elective courses.



April With national practitioners and EU experts, we concentrate on justice and home affairs, enlargement of the EU, interest representation and sustainable development.



June In the heart of Europe, you discuss the latest EU developments and challenges with representatives of the European institutions and build your network.

THREE DISCIPLINES – TWO TRACKS – YOUR CHOICE

RESEARCH TRACK	PROFESSIONAL TRACK
Methodology classes	Specialisation course
Individual supervision	EU Law: legal memos and writs
Research paper	Economics: economic analyses
Colloquium	Politics: press releases, policy briefs
Master thesis	Professional paper



October Start of the 2nd year

Choose your research or professional track in EU Law, Economics or Political Science. Manage your team project, work on a case study and improve your skills.



January Back to Berlin for interdisciplinary sessions and specialisation courses. Work on methodology, experience a Moot court of the ECJ and benefit from a debating society training session.



April Present your research, get feedback from your peers and supervisors. You are now equipped for the next step of your academic journey.



July It is time to defend your Master thesis or your professional paper and celebrate the successful completion of your studies. Now you belong to our Alumni network – let's shape the future of Europe!

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



Degree and Recognition

Graduates are awarded two certifications:

- **Executive Master in EU Studies,** CIFE's diploma, certifying successful completion of the curriculum granting 60 ECTS credits at Master level.
- Chargé de mission en organisations européennes et internationales (Policy Officer in European and International organisations). This professional certification is recognised by the French State as a degree at Master level (level 7 - European Qualification Framework).

Application Requirements and Tuition Fees

A **Bachelor's degree or equivalent** (three years of study at university level) and **English proficiency** are required to apply for our programme.

The **tuition fees** are \in 4,900 per year, which covers academic guidance, a virtual campus, technical support as well as board and lodging during the weekend workshops.

A limited number of **scholarships** reducing the tuition fees are available.

Apply online at www.executive-master.eu

The application deadline is 5 September.



Nationalities of our participants since 2003

Alumni Testimonials

My experience during the past two years of the Executive Master in EU Studies exceeded all my expectations. Not only was the content well-structured and interesting, but the pace of study was also accessible for everyone who seeks to combine work, domestic life and studies.

I recommend this Master to all who may be interested in deepening their knowledge of the EU. **Different learning paths allow students to follow an academic or professional track** in three main fields: EU Law, Economics or Political Science. This diversity brings great flexibility to the whole Master and helps each student to find the best individual course of study.

Luis C. Melero Master 2019–2021 Labour Counsellor at the Spanish Embassy in Switzerland

If you are passionate about learning about Europe in depth and excited about being in a multicultural environment, I definitely recommend the Executive Master in EU Studies. This flexible programme with a large spectrum of topics gave me the rich knowledge of all aspects of the EU that helped me to combine

academic knowledge and practical tools. The knowledge and experience I received has been **tremendously helpful in a competitive job market**. These two years were hardworking, exciting, cheerful, dynamic and full of wonderful memories.

Sevda Amirova Master 2018–2020

Press and Information Officer (Strategic Communications), EU Delegation to Azerbaijan

I highly recommend the CIFE Executive Master in EU Studies to everyone who is interested in a **deeper understanding of how the EU works**. The curriculum enabled me to better comprehend how history and the theoretical debates about the EU as a unique form of political organisation shape the practical

functioning of the EU institutions and their responses to the current political challenges. At the same time, I also acquired valuable practical skills that are relevant for my day-to-day work.

I appreciated very much how the programme combined the **flexibility offered by distance learning** with weekend workshops in different European cities.

Frederic Fender Master 2017–2019 European Central Bank, Frankfurt, Germany









o Chris Weiner

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

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Jean-Claude Juncker is Honorary President of CIFE.

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