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Master in Advanced European and International Studies

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Who we are

The **Institut européen • European Institute (IE•EI)** offers Master programmes in European integration and international relations. It is a department of CIFE, which is registered at the Academy of Nice as a private institution of higher education. **IE•EI** can look back on a long history. The first class of its Master programme came to Nice in 1964. Since then some 2000 students from more than 100 countries have graduated from the two branches of **IE•EI**'s programme. They now work for European institutions, international organisations, NGOs, universities, public administrations and enterprises.

The **IE•EI** runs partnerships with various universities, particularly in Germany, Italy, Turkey and Central Europe. **IE•EI**'s diplomas are delivered in cooperation with its partners, among them the University of Rostock, the Interdepartmental Centre Euro-Sapienza of the University La Sapienza in Rome, and the Institut für Europäische Politik in Berlin.

IE•EI is committed to

- **Academic excellence:** Its faculty consists of renowned academics providing students with expert knowledge.
- **Professionalisation:** Our aim is to transmit not only academic knowledge but also those professional skills and competences required in European and international organisations.
- **Interdisciplinarity:** All problems are dealt with from the perspective of different academic disciplines in order to gain an all-embracing understanding of today's world.
- **Internationality:** Each year students come from all over the world, representing on average 15 to 20 nationalities.
- **Tolerance:** In an international community, we owe each other respect and the recognition of our differences.
- **Learning and living Europe:** Students not only learn about European integration, but experience the continent from different perspectives by living in Berlin, Nice, Istanbul or Rome.

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One programme – two branches

The **Master in Advanced European and International Studies (MAEIS)** is targeted at students who have completed their undergraduate studies. Its objective is to give students an overarching, encompassing vision of the political, social, economic, and cultural problems of today's modern world. Teaching in both branches of the MAEIS comprises **four modules.**

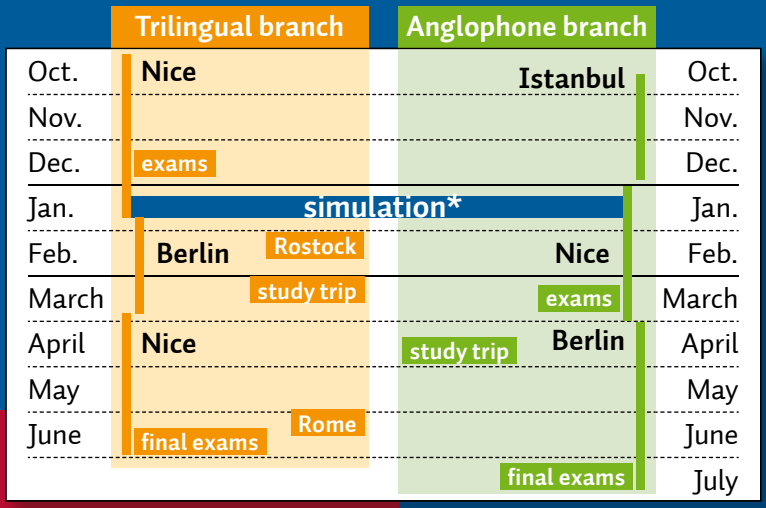
- International Relations
- European Integration
- Economy and Globalisation
- Federalism and Governance

Organisation of the programme

The MAEIS has a **trilingual branch** (working languages are English, French and German) and an **Anglophone branch**. During the academic year (three terms) the participants study in different locations:

- **Nice** and **Berlin** and a prolonged study stay in **Rome** for the trilingual branch;
- **Istanbul, Nice** and **Berlin** for the Anglophone branch.

A study trip to Brussels, Strasbourg and Geneva gives the students the opportunity to visit different international organisations and European institutions (UN, NATO, Council of Europe, European Parliament, European Commission etc.). The visits enable the students to gain an insight into the working environment of these organisations, to make useful contacts and to learn about recruitment procedures.



* for both branches in Nice



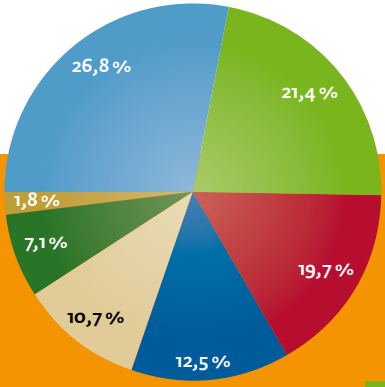
Degree and recognition

Students who successfully complete the programme receive two certifications:

■ **Master in Advanced European and International Studies (MAEIS).** This is the diploma of the **IE•EI**, certifying the successful completion of the academic curriculum and granting 60 ECTS credits at Master level.

■ 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 as a degree at Master level (level 7 of the European Qualifications Framework EQF).

This recognition demonstrates not only that the graduates of our programme are employable, but also that they are in employment. The accrediting body (CNCP) verifies that at least three quarters of our graduates actually work in the professional field covered by the qualification. The profile of "Policy Officer" covers practically the whole range of jobs exercised by the graduates of **IE•EI**'s Master programmes: senior officials in European institutions, policy officers within the UN framework, administrators, diplomats, consultants, researchers for think tanks, lobbyists, and academic experts.



The Professional Career of MAEIS Graduates 2007–2012

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

Teaching methods



Our programmes are designed to offer a teaching method which is academic and at the same time directed towards the professional world. We aim to give students the ability to enter into dialogue with decision-makers from both the economic and the political world, stakeholders, diplomats as well as officials from international and European organisations. This broad outlook is made possible by the wide variety of our lecturers, the visits to different European countries and our close relationship with our carefully selected international partners. Our in-house panel of experts contributes to the rich content of the modules.

Among the **skills and competences** which students will acquire over the academic year are the following:

- Negotiating in an international context
- Drafting position papers, policy recommendations, syntheses
- Designing, planning, proposing and managing an international project (Project cycle management)
- Defending the position of an organisation
- Following the legislative process in the European Union



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The modules

International Relations

Complex interdependency, dynamic power figurations and imbalances characterise today's world politics, an arena that is influenced by diverse actors in multi-level processes. This module explores the major theories that draft a comprehensive or holistic explanation of international politics, in order both to identify presuppositions in public debates and to apply those theoretical tools to academic analysis.

Studying in different European countries – while international politics is taking place and being debated – will enrich your understanding of the similarities, differences and interactions of national foreign policies in a globalised world. International guest lecturers coming from universities, think tanks, diplomacy and politics will be invited to present emerging patterns of international politics, including international law and international tribunals, globalisation and transatlantic relations.

European Integration

Europe today faces a challenge concerning its political foundation as a whole: the decisive question is whether and how the Union can overcome the present financial and economic crisis. Though being undoubtedly of global extent, this crisis particularly affects Europe since the EU has to cope with an uncertain balance between its political and economic dimensions and not least since its political system remains unassertive.

This module analyses the process of integration in terms of its historical and systemic developments (polity dimension) as well as in terms of concrete actions and outputs (policy dimension). The objective of this approach is to enable the students to develop an integrated and holistic view on the EU – a synthesis which thereby provides the basis for reflections on options and scenarios for the Union's future. Major topics will be the EU history, the process of decision-making, European Law, competition policy, monetary policy, foreign and security policy as well as other areas of community policies.





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Economy and Globalisation

International economics analyses the exchanges of goods, services and capital between countries. It also analyses the conditions in which these exchanges take place. If the rule of free trade appears to have priority, in fact, many countries resort to protectionism, in spite of WTO rules. The key fact of the last twenty-five years has been the manifold increase of exchanges across the world, in the context of a transition of socialist countries to a market economy and of the rise of new powers. Globalisation is at the heart of all the concerns (or fears) of the various players, such as political leaders, unions, businesses, households, civil society, etc. Are we witnessing the shifting of the centre of the world towards South and East Asia? Will it still be possible for the world economy to be dominated by a single power? In order to answer several questions of international economics, we put forward the following topics: methodological tools, typology of countries, key institutions, the measure of exchanges, trade policy, the international monetary system, and regional trade agreements.

Federalism and Governance

This seminar attempts to provide an original perspective of contemporary political societies, especially concerning problems such as sovereignty, minority questions, democratic representation, and economic coordination.This perspective is inspired by methods and different currents of federalist thought. Firstly, the seminar will familiarise students with the analytical tools that are used for the comparative analysis of federal systems as well as processes such as decentralisation and federalisation. Secondly, we will look at federalism from different theoretical perspectives. We will also analyse the links between federalism and European integration.



Admission requirements

Both branches of our Master are graduate programmes, aimed at students who have already completed a first degree (minimum three years of study at university level). Furthermore, students must give evidence of their knowledge of the working language(s) of the course (depending on the branch they are applying for). You can find more detailed information on the application procedure as well as the application form at **www.ie-ei.eu**.

In case you have any questions, please contact our students' service. The deadline for application for both branches of the Master programme is June 30th.

Tuition and scholarship funds

The tuition rates for the MAEIS are:
8900 € for the Anglophone branch and 8500 € for the trilingual branch.
This sum covers classes, a proportion of students' accommodation (depending on the place and the branch), a proportion of students' travel expenses, the study trip as well s access to local libraries. For a detailed account of the tuition rate's scale of benefits, as well as further expenses which are not included, please have a look at our website.

A limited number of scholarship funds are awarded to particularly qualified candidates who are not able to cover the cost of their studies and stay. The application form for scholarship funds can be obtained at the administration office of the **IE•EI**. Students are only eligible to apply for the scholarship funds once they are accepted.



Nationality of MAEIS Participants since 2000

Alumni experiences



Isabelle Weykmans, Belgium, MAEIS 2002/03
Minister for Culture and Media, the Protection of Buildings and Monuments, Youth and Sports, German-Speaking Community in Belgium

Die Erinnerungen an mein Jahr in Nizza sind durchweg positiv. Ich habe es genossen, mit Menschen aus verschiedenen Ländern, mit verschiedenen Geschichten und Studiengängen zu lernen und zu leben. Diese Vielfalt war für mich das Bereicherndste an diesem Masterstudiengang. Ein Jahr im Ausland zu verbringen: das rate ich jedem! Die Kenntnisse, die ich mir dort habe aneignen können, sind heute für mich in meinem Beruf von großem Nutzen.

Mihail Milev, Bulgaria, MAEIS 2003/04
European Commission, DG Competition



The Master's Programme was my first fully fledged international experience where I enjoyed both high quality education and extremely helpful and accessible professors. I am particularly grateful for having had the rare opportunity to meet scholars, diplomats and professionals from so many different fields of International Relations and European Studies, which broadened significantly my personal understanding of the processes taking place, seen from a wide variety of angles. This approach has helped me a lot throughout my professional career and has allowed me to respond to the challenges of working in a genuine international environment where quick learning and good communication are crucial.



Erwan Fouéré, Ireland, MAEIS 1968/69
Ambassador, OSCE Task Force, Special Representative of the Irish Chairmanship

L'Institut a été pour moi un élément essentiel de ma formation; l'année d'études que j'y ai passée a contribué largement à façonner et renforcer ma conviction européenne. J'ai été particulièrement sensibilisé à l'importance primordiale des valeurs humaines, au respect des différences dans l'État de droit (notamment par le fédéralisme). Plus tard, dans ma vie professionnelle et, en particulier, dans les postes que j'ai occupés en Amérique latine et, plus récemment, en Afrique du Sud, j'ai pu mettre en pratique ces enseignements et ces convictions.



*The **Centre international de formation européenne** has, throughout its history, distinguished itself by its unerring attachment to European integration, not by means of a narrow-minded docility but by means of a critical and open-minded approach. In this way, CIFE represents a real hope for the old continent of Europe, which currently lacks vitality and is searching to rediscover the virtues of its youth. For it will be European civil education of today's and tomorrow's youngsters that will decide the fate of the great adventure that is European integration. Learning about it, understanding it and defending it – these are the enormous challenges which face us all.*

Jean-Claude Juncker
Former Prime Minister of the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg
CIFE President



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