

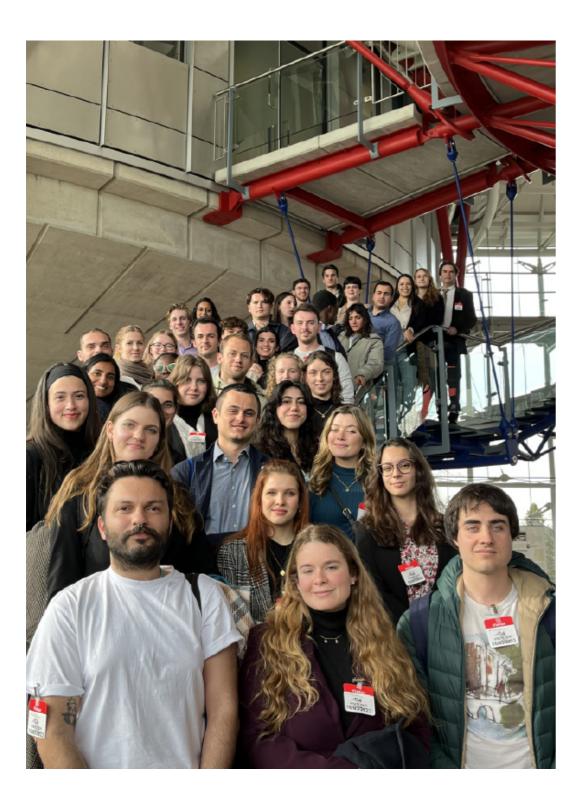
Master in Advanced European and International Studies

European Integration and Global Studies

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ANNUAL REPORT



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OVERVIEW

The 2022/2023 European Integration and Global Studies programme of CIFE's Master in Advanced European and International Studies (MAEIS) was composed of a diverse group of 26 students from 20 different nationalities. The itinerant programme offered students intensive courses in Berlin, Nice and Rome/Istanbul over three terms extending from 12 October 2022 to 28 June 2023. Afterwards, students were given the option of continuing their training with an internship of 2.5 to 3 months with a compulsory report upon completion. The following table represents the timetable of the programme:

Dates	Location
12/10/2022 - 21/12/2022	BERLIN
10/01/2023 - 31/03/2023	NICE Centre international de formation européenne (CIFE)
12/03/2023 - 17/03/2023	Study Trip to Brussels, Luxembourg and Strasbourg
04/04/2023 - 23/06/2023	ROME in cooperation with LUISS University
04/04/2023 - 28/06/2023	ISTANBUL in cooperation with Bilgi University
30/05/2023	End of the Academic Year
23/06/2023	Graduation Ceremony in Rome
28/06/2023	Graduation Ceremony in Istanbul
Until 30/09/2023	Optional Internship

The programme focused on the role of the EU in a changing world. In a transversal way, the modules helped understand how the European integration process led the EU to become a global actor on the international scene.

The programme aimed at preparing students for professional life in a challenging context. The academic curriculum was designed in order to enable students to develop an overarching and all-encompassing understanding of internal and external EU policies, as well as how the EU interacts with other global actors in a multipolar world.

Following the leitmotif "Learning and living Europe", the students rotated each term, moving their place of study from Berlin to Nice and then to Rome or Istanbul. During the third trimester, the programme concentrated on the EU and its relationship with Mediterranean and sub-Saharan countries, as well as EU relationships with Turkey, Central Asian, Caucasus and Black Sea countries.

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ORGANISATION OF THE PROGRAMME

THE MODULES

The curriculum was composed of five compulsory modules:

- A Conflict and Cooperation in the International System
- **B** European Integration and External Action
- **c** Federalism and Multi-Level Governance
- Economic Globalisation and Sustainable Development
- **E** Professional Skills Workshops

University teachers from across Europe, as well as experts from international and European organisations and researchers from our partner institutes contributed to our programme.

Various teaching methods and course formats were applied within each module.

A Conflict and Cooperation in the International System (135 hours)

Module Director: George TZOGOPOULOS

BESA Research Associate, Lecturer at the Democritus University of Thrace, Director of EU-China Programmes and Senior Research Fellow at CIFE

This module offered students a unique learning environment with its highly interdisciplinary approach that combined traditional international relations approaches with courses on conflict management and resolution. In the beginning, there was an introduction to international relations from a theoretical and an empirical perspective. Subsequently, the courses dealt with different perspectives on conflict management and resolution, such as for example the political scientist's view or a more sociological approach. Students also became acquainted with the history of conflicts in international relations with a regional focus on conflicts in the Middle East and the Balkans. Furthermore, students analysed some international regimes and successful interstate cooperation in order to develop a comprehensive understanding about how coexistence, cooperation and tolerance can play an important role in society.

TRIMESTER 1: BERLIN (33 hours)

George TZOGOPOULOS

- Introduction to the Module
- Understanding International Relations
- The US and China in International Relations
- Peace-Making and the Role of the UN
- Hybrid Warfare
- Student Presentations

Dagmar RÖTTSCHES-DUBOIS Administrative Staff, Heidelberg University, Germany

■ Theories of International Relations



TRIMESTER 2: NICE (45 hours)

George TZOGOPOULOS

- China and the USA in the International System: General Introduction
- China and the USA in the International System: The Taiwan Question
- China and the USA in the International System: Technological Competition
- China and the USA in the International System: Security in the Indo-Pacific
- The Crisis in Ukraine
- The Crisis in Ukraine and the Role of the UN

Francesca ASTENGO Lecturer and Researcher, IES

- The Mediterranean Basin: A Bridge or a Border for Migration?
- How the EU Deals with Migration: Asylum Law and Policy
- Actors and Factors in the Age of Migrations

Anna DIMITROVA Lecturer and Researcher in International Affairs, ESSCA Ecole de Management, Paris

- Foreign Policy Analysis: Theory and Study of US Foreign Policy
- US Foreign Policy During Obama's Presidency
- Trump's "America First" Foreign Policy
- From Trump to Biden: Between Continuity and Change

Matthias WAECHTER Director General of CIFE

- The Crisis of Representative Democracy
- How to Make Peace After War: Lessons from History

TRIMESTER 3: ROME (21 hours)

George TZOGOPOULOS

- Energy Security in the Mediterranean
- Media and War: New Realities and Old Thinking
- Big Tech and War
- The UN Security Council's Role in Today's World

Carolina DE STEFANO Lecturer at LUISS University

■ The Russo-Ukraine War: Historical Legacies and the Putin Factor

TRIMESTER 3: ISTANBUL (36 hours)

Mitat ÇELIKPALA Academics/Professor of International Relations, University of Kadir Has, Istanbul, Turkey

■ The Caucasus: Security, Challenges and Opportunities

Emre ERŞEN Associate Professor at Marmara University, Turkey

- Crisis in Ukraine: Root Causes
- Crisis in Ukraine: Regional and Global Implications
- Central Asia: Understanding the Region
- Central Asia: Geopolitical Rivalry

Gencer ÖZCAN Professor, Member of the Faculty at Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey

- Modern Middle East and Arab Uprisings
- The Crisis in Syria and Its Regionalisation

B European Integration and External Action (134 hours)

Module Director: Mathias JOPP

Head of International Programmes, Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin

The process of European integration was launched in the 1950s with the promise of achieving an "ever closer union" between European states. Since then, important achievements like the single market, the common currency and open borders between the member states have been accomplished. However, a deep feeling of crisis is dominating the member states, with citizens feeling alienated from the European institutions and putting the blame for domestic problems on the EU.



The module explored the challenges which the European Union is currently facing, by tracing first its evolution from the origins until today and then proposing perspectives for its future development. A special focus was on the role of the European Union in international politics. Since the accession of 13 new countries, it is no longer a community limited to Western Europe, but a union reaching from the Atlantic to the Black Sea. By the same token, its neighbourhood has extended to countries reaching from Russia over the Southern Caucasus to the Maghreb. Furthermore, the Lisbon Treaty has provided the European Union with institutions which should ensure the efficiency of its foreign and security policy.

The module examined the challenges remaining in order to achieve coherence among 27 member states with different geopolitical priorities, historical experiences and national preferences. The enlargement policy of the EU, its approach to its neighbourhood, its role in international trade as well as in climate change policies has been analysed.

TRIMESTER 1: BERLIN (65 hours)

Mathias JOPP

■ The Political System of the European Union

Susann HEINECKE-KUHN Director of the MAEIS Applied European Policy and Governance Studies

■ The EU's Largest Neighbourhood: Russia and the Post-Soviet Space

Hartmut MARHOLD Senior Research Fellow at CIFE

- Introduction to the History of European Integration
- History of European Integration

TRIMESTER 2: NICE (12 hours)

Mathias JOPP

■ The Political System of the European Union

TRIMESTER 3: ROME (36 hours)

Mathias JOPP

- The Political System of the European Union
- Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy of the EU

Maurizio CARBONE Professor at the University of Glasgow

 The European Union and Africa: From the Treaty of Rome to the Post-Cotonou Agreement

Christopher HEIN Professor at the LUISS University, Italy

African and European Migrations

Fabrizio LOBASSO Diplomat, Deputy Director for Sub-Saharan Africa at the Italian MFA, Rome

■ Europe and Africa: Strategic Partnership, Intercultural Approach

Marco MASSONI "African Politics and Society" Adjunct Faculty – Department of Political Sciences, LUISS, Italy

Peace and Security in EU-Africa Relations through the New "Global Europe"
 International Cooperation Instruments

Harrison Kalunga MWILIMA Lecturer, Consultant and Journalist

EU-Africa Relations

TRIMESTER 3: ISTANBUL (21 hours)

Mathias JOPP

- The Political System of the European Union
- Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy of the EU

Ayhan KAYA Professor, Jean Monnet Chair, Istanbul Bilgi University, Turkey

- Turkey-EU Relations: Past, Present and Future
- Governance of Mass Migration in Turkey: Syrian Refugees
- Islamisation of Turkey Under the AKP Rule: From Conservative Democracy to Conservatism
- Islamist and Nativist Forms of Radicalisation in Europe

C Federalism and Multi-Level Governance (64 ½ hours)

Module Director: Frédéric LÉPINE Deputy General Director, CIFE

For the last fifteen years, federalism has known a revival as an international field of studies. In this framework, three major developments can be considered.

The first is the study of the European Union, not analysed any more as a process of integration but in terms of a federal institutional comparative approach.

The second development is multi-level governance, that can be conceived as an extension of federalism as it deals with any form of multi-tier institutional system. This cooperative / competitive approach has appeared to understand the institutional consequences of the process of globalisation in post-industrialised societies, and of the subsequent changing of nature of sovereignty in the relevant states.

Eventually, federalism has become a tool of conflict resolution, in order to resolve violent conflicts all over the world. Examples include Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ethiopia, Iraq, and Nepal. It is also perceived as a solution for Syria, Cyprus, Ukraine, Libya... In addition, new federal discourses have emerged in historically centralised countries.





It appears that all these developments share a common multi-tier conceptual framework, referred to as federalism. As such, they add themselves to older federal questions, such as political co-operation, democratic representation, minority issues and economic coordination. However, understanding the contemporary evolution of the federal meaning and of its main uses requires an innovative analytical thinking. This module brought together these new approaches and highlighted the changing nature of federalism in an ever more complex world.

TRIMESTER 1: BERLIN (25 ½ hours)

Frédéric LÉPINE

■ Introduction to a General Theory of Federalism

Sören KEIL Academic Head of the International Research and Consulting Centre at the Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg

- Introduction to Federalism and Federation
- The Anglo-American Tradition of Federalism
- The Continental European Tradition of Federalism
- Federalism and Conflict Resolution: Theoretical Perspectives

TRIMESTER 2: NICE (39 hours)

Frédéric LÉPINE

- Compared Modern Structures of Political Institutions
- The Principles of Federalism

Elisabeth ALBER Research Group Leader at the EURAC Research Institute for Comparative Federalism, Italy and Lecturer at the University of Innsbruck, Austria

- Federalism and Ethnic Relations: Constitutional Models and Domestic Approaches
- Power-Sharing at Subnational Level: Case Studies
- Simulation Game Let's Go Federal!

Sören KEIL

- Federalism and Conflict Resolution: Case Studies
- Federalism and Conflict Resolution in the 21st Century
- Simulation Exercise

Nicolas SCHMITT Former Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Federalism of the University of Fribourg, Switzerland

■ From Olaf Scholz to Joe Biden: Federalism in the German-Speaking World, with an Unavoidable Glimpse at the USA

D Economic Globalisation and Sustainable Development (116 hours)

Module Director: Laurent BAECHLER Director of the MAEIS European Integration and Global Studies

The main goal of this module was to shed a light on the key forces shaping economic globalisation processes in their various dimensions: international trade, financial markets, currency issues, etc. Without going into the details of economic theory, the module helped students understand the contribution of these fundamental driving forces to long term economic development as well as major economic crises. Beyond a broad overview of the current state of the world economy, the objective was to understand how globalisation refers to the problem of international economic governance and to describe the institutions, actors and processes at work when it comes to cooperation challenges, in order to solve economic public goods management problems such as trade dynamism, financial stability or monetary cooperation.

The module put a specific focus on the role of the EU as an economic actor on the global stage, with its opportunities and challenges driven both by European specific evolutions and globalisation trends.

Finally, the module proposed an introduction to global sustainable development issues (climate change, access to water, etc.), as they are among the most decisive challenges that will shape the future of the world economy.

TRIMESTER 1: BERLIN (47 hours)

Laurent BAECHLER

- Presentation of the Programme & How to Read Graphs in Economics
- How to Write a Master Thesis
- Introduction to Economics
- Overview of the World Economy
- Emerging Economies
- The World Economy in the Long Run
- Economic Globalisation
- International Monetary System
- Debt Crisis
- Inflation

Valérie BERENGER Professor at the University of Toulon, France

- Chapter 1. Introduction: Overview of International Economics
- Chapter 2. Trade between Countries with Different Characteristics
- Chapter 3. Trade between Similar Countries
- Chapter 4. International Trade Agreements and WTO: Forms of Economic Integration

Ryszard PIASECKI Professor at the University of Lodz, Faculty of Economics and Sociology, Former Ambassador of Poland in Chile

■ Economic Globalisation



TRIMESTER 2: NICE (27 hours)

Laurent BAECHLER

- Public Debt Issues
- Unemployment Policies
- Preparatory Q&A Session for the Oral Exam
- Demography and the World Economy
- Income Inequalities in the World
- Eurozone Governance Issues

Jacques LE CACHEUX Professor of Economics, Paris

- Economics of the European Union: Single Market and Competition Policies
- Economics of the European Union: External Trade Policy
- Economics of the European Union: European Public Finance

TRIMESTER 3: ROME (21 hours)

Laurent BAECHLER

- Sustainable Development: Stakes and Challenges
- Climate Change Issues
- Decarbonising the World Economy
- Water Issues
- Oral Presentations

TRIMESTER 3: ISTANBUL (21 hours)

Laurent BAECHLER

- Sustainable Development: Stakes and Challenges
- Climate Change Issues
- Climate Change Strategies
- Energy Transitions
- Oral Presentations



E Professional Skills Workshops (61 hours)

In an ever more globalised world, the government and the private sector are asked to provide more services with less. Moreover, the movement of peoples across borders has created challenges for an increasingly multicultural world. By default, there is more competition for resources, goals and interests at local, state and regional levels. In order to be credible, governments, business organisations and individuals must be able to deal with new challenges professionally and efficiently and maximise the potential of any given situation. If we want to have an impact on and participate in the development of certain policies, we also need to open ourselves to consensus building, conflict management and negotiations.

In this module, professors sought to develop an understanding of cooperation in political processes and various approaches in support of dialogue, negotiation and conflict management. During the workshops, students acquired skills in Project Cycle Management, Intercultural Communication, Negotiation and the tracking and analysis of EU law proposals. We prepared our students at the crossroads of theory and practice for a professional life in challenging times.

TRIMESTER 1: BERLIN (25 hours)

Paul CULLEY EU Policy Advisor, Tutor and Trainer

Practical Workplace Skills for Policymakers

Gerald KNAUS Writer and Founding Chairman of the European Stability Initiative (ESI)

■ Workshop on Powerful Words: Writing and Advocacy for Impact

Mark YOUNG Negotiation Trainer, President of Rational Games, Inc.

Negotiation Workshop

TRIMESTER 2: NICE (36 hours)

Paul CULLEY

Practical Workplace Skills for Policymakers

Volkan ERKAN Engineer

- Introduction to Project Cycle Management
- Project Design: The Logical Framework Approach (LFA)
- LFA Analyses (Problem, Stakeholder, Goal and Strategy Analysis)
- Developing Log-Frame Matrix
- Developing Activity / Resource Schedules and Implementation
- Monitoring, Reporting and Evaluation of Projects

Nina FRAUENFELD Executive Director, SuccessAcross

Cross-Cultural Communication

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INTERMODULAR COURSES

Conferences, Speeches and Discussions

Inaugural Lecture: What is the EU's Place in the New World?
by Herman VAN ROMPUY President of CIFE, President Emeritus of the European Council and Former Prime Minister of Belgium

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STUDY TRIP

The annual study trip to the European and international organisations took place in Brussels, Luxembourg and Strasbourg from 12 to 17 March 2023. The following discussions and debates were held:

BRUSSELS

EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE

- The Role and Political Priorities of the EEAS, the EU's Diplomatic Service Felix FABINY Deputy European Correspondent, Office of the Deputy Secretary-General for Political Affairs
- Tackling Foreign Information Manipulation and Interference
 Sabrina SPIELEDER Strategic Communications Officer, East Stratcom Task Force,
 Strategic Communication, Task Forces and Information Analysis Division
- The EEAS and its Digital Media

The DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS TEAM of the EEAS

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Climate Change: Fit for 55

Quentin DUPRIEZ Policy Officer, Climate Change and Energy

■ The EU's Energy Policy

Andras HUJBER Directorate General Energy

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

The Role of the Council of the EU and the European Council within the European Institutions

Simona GUERGUIEVA Political Administrator, Horizontal and Global Affairs, General Secretariat of the Council of the EU

Presentation of Careers in the EU

Luis DE AMORIM Head of Outreach and External Relations at EU Careers, EPSO **Johannes DE BERLAYMONT** "nom de plume" of a widely experienced former EU Insider



LUXEMBOURG

COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

- General Presentation of the Court of Justice **V. SENJUK** Trainee, Protocols and Visits Directorate
- Presentation on Multilingualism and the Work of a Lawyer-Linguist **C. VELLA** Lawyer Linguist, Maltese Translation Unit

EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK

Presentation on the Roles and Activities of the European Investment Bank **Bruno ROSSIGNOL** Climate and Heritage Officer

STRASBOURG

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

- Presentation on the Values, Roles and Functioning of the Legislative Process of the European Parliament and Visit to the Hemicycle
- **Alena CARNA** Administrator at the European Parliament
- Working as an Accredited Parliamentary Assistant **Emma DEMOULIN** Accredited Parliamentary Assistant at the European Parliament, Alumna 2021–2022, MAEIS Global Studies

EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

■ Presentation on the Role and Work of the Court Followed by Q&A Session Bjorka DUKA Lawyer at ECHR, Alumna 2019-2020, MAEIS Global Studies

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

- Introductory Presentation
- Tatiana MYCHELOVA Administrator at the Secreteriat of the Venice Commission
- Presentation of the Work of GRETA (Group of Experts on Action Against Trafficking in Human Beings)

Roemer LEMAITRE

Other Visits

BERLIN

■ Video Bus Tour of Berlin on 14 November 2022

NICE

■ Guided Walking Tour with Nice Fun Tours on 16 January 2023

■ Visit to the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO) on 17 April 2023

ISTANBUL

Visit to the Association for Solidarity with Asylum-Seekers and Migrants (ASAM) on 2 May 2023



MASTER'S THESIS RESEARCH TOPICS

Aysenur ALMA (Germany)

The Brussels Effect in Digital Policy Thesis Supervisor: Pascal DELISLE

Jonathan ANDERSON (United States)

Democracy in Crisis? Evaluating the Diagnosis in the United States and France Thesis Supervisor: Matthias WAECHTER

Youssef ATTIA AROOG (Egypt)

The Impact of Regional and International Youth Policies and Strategies on Youth Empowerment: The Case Study of the EU (2010-2018) Thesis Supervisor: Matthias WAECHTER

Gabriela BOLOCA (Italy)

Unravelling Impunity for Sexual Exploitation and Abuse in UN Peacekeeping: A Case Study of the Democratic Republic of Congo Thesis Supervisor: Dagmar RÖTTSCHES-DUBOIS

Burak Can BURUL (Turkey)

Comparative Analysis of Durable Solutions for Syrian and Ukrainian Refugees Under Temporary Protection Thesis Supervisor: Francesca ASTENGO

Sébastien CHARIÉ (France)

Nuclear Deterrence

Thesis Supervisor: Matthias WAECHTER

Edoardo DALMASSO (Italy)

Modernity and Islam: An Interaction Throughout the Centuries Thesis Supervisor: Ayhan KAYA

Senne DE KORT (Belgium)

The Impact of India's SCO Membership on its Security Cooperation within the SCO, with the US and the EU

Thesis Supervisor: George TZOGOPOULOS

Jacqueline HAITZ (Germany)

Transformative Pathways: Unveiling the Impact of Sweden's Feminist Foreign Policy on Sub-Saharan Africa through the Cases of Rwanda and Liberia Thesis Supervisor: Dagmar RÖTTSCHES-DUBOIS

Kamala HASHIMOVA (Azerbaijan)

Commitment to the UN's Women, Peace and Security Agenda: How Far Has the European Union Led by Example?

Thesis Supervisor: Dagmar RÖTTSCHES-DUBOIS

Emilia ITEN (Switzerland)

Trading Human Rights for Control: Unveiling the EU's Migration Externalisation Dilemma in Turkey

Thesis Supervisor: Ayhan KAYA

Janvi JAVALI (Canada)

Analysis of the United Nations Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Processes on MINUSTAH Peacekeeper Training

Thesis Supervisor: Dagmar RÖTTSCHES-DUBOIS

Maya KRUNIC (Canada)

Protection, Prevention and Partnerships for Victims of Human Trafficking: An Analysis of the Serbian and Bosnian Situation
Thesis Supervisor: Yvan GASTAUT

Vanina KUZOVA (Bulgaria)

Hybrid Warfare Actions in the Grey Zone: Manageable Challenges or Dangerous Threats for International Security? Case Study of Brazil and Colombia

Thesis Supervisor: George TZOGOPOULOS

Julia MARTINEZ ABAD (Spain)

Gabon: A Country Shaped by the Consequences of Colonisation?

Thesis Supervisor: Matthias WAECHTER

James MILLIGAN (United Kingdom / Ireland)

Power Sharing as a Means of Conflict Resolution: A Comparative Analysis of the Peace Processes in Northern Ireland and Cyprus
Thesis Supervisor: Soeren KEIL

Joseph MOMDJIAN (Lebanon)

A Scaled-Down Version of the Deal of the Century Lebanon-Israel Maritime Agreement Thesis Supervisor: George TZOGOPOULOS

Dan MUNTEANU (Italy / Moldova)

The Republic of Moldova's Way Towards the EU Integration Process: EU Requirements; Domestic Affairs; Regional Security
Thesis Supervisor: Mathias JOPP

Maximiliaan Johannes PAARLBERG (Netherlands)

AKP's Foreign Policy in the Middle East: Assessing its Effects on EU-Turkey Relations and Prospects for Future Cooperation
Thesis Supervisor: Ayhan KAYA

Yannick SCHIMMEL (Netherlands)

Warming Region, Cooling Relations? The Geopolitical Effects of the 'Arctic Melt' Thesis Supervisor: George TZOGOPOULOS

Sarah SECKOLD (Australia)

Soft Approach to Countering Terrorism: Case Study of Saudi Arabia's Prevention, Rehabilitation and Aftercare Strategy

Thesis Supervisor: Ayhan KAYA

Shakti SHARMA (India)

The Integration of the Workforce into the Labour Market that is Witnessing Rapid Technological Disruptions

Thesis Supervisor: Laurent BAECHLER

Mathilde SONNET (Belgium)

A Critical Assessment of the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP) Regarding Gender Equality in Lebanon

Thesis Supervisor: Dagmar RÖTTSCHES-DUBOIS

Céline STUCKY (France)

The EU, China and Taiwan: An Opportunity for the EU's Foreign Policy?

Thesis Supervisor: George TZOGOPOULOS

Lisa TOCQUARD (France)

Bridging Cultures, Shaping Relations: An Exploration of Cultural Diplomacy

in Japan–EU Bilateral Dynamics

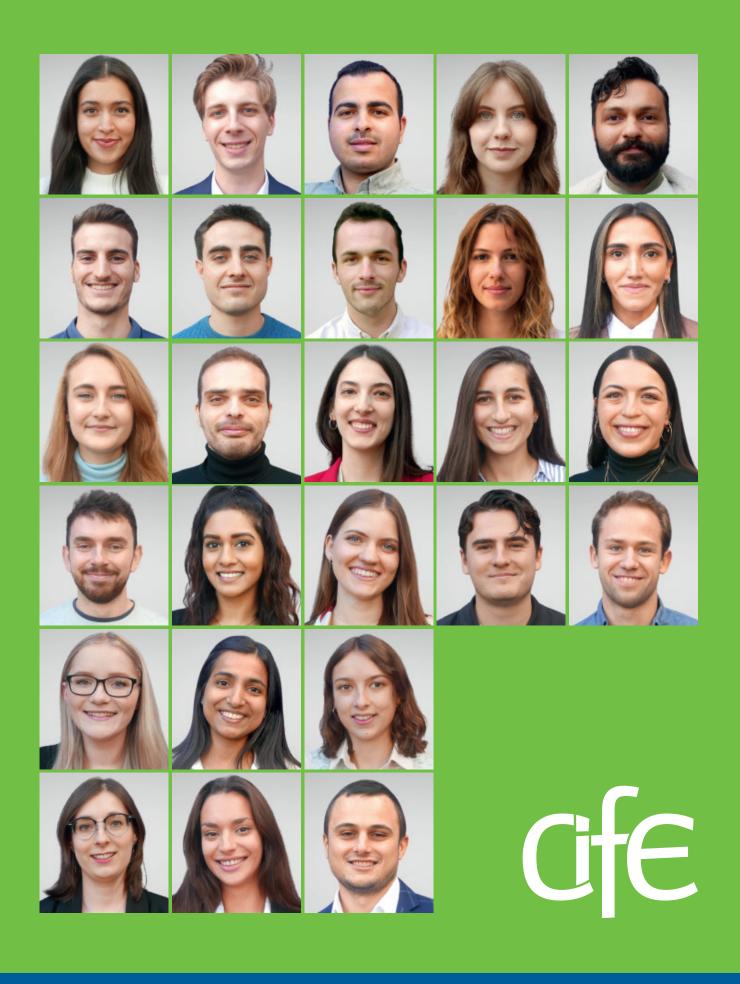
Thesis Supervisor: George TZOGOPOULOS

Agnieszka URBANCZYK (Poland)

 $The \ Effectiveness \ of the \ European \ Union's \ Programmes \ in \ Building \ European \ Identity:$

Case Study of the European Solidarity Corps Thesis Supervisor: Matthias WAECHTER





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