



# **BALTIC SEA SUMMER UNIVERSITY**



**WARSAW** (Poland)

July 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

The Baltic sea summer university took place in Warsaw from July  $10^{th}$  to  $16^{th}$  with the collaboration of Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregional Economy in Josefow for the second time.

Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregional Economy is located out of Warsaw, at about 35 km from the city center, in a very quiet environment in the middle of nature.





The foreign students were accommodated in Gromada hotel, in the city centre of Warsaw, close to the old town but also very close to the train station that we have to use each morning to join the University.

The academic program intended to develop some issues regarding innovation under the general title "Regional development and innovation". It was the opportunity to visit some very innovant companies, as Moratex, a very famous bullet waistcoats laboratory.

Even if the partner didn't select any polish candidate, the group represented 10 different countries, including a few Indian candidates from Jozefow University.

The Academic sessions contained approximately 30 hours of lectures, seminar, institutional visits and discussions in groups. They were conducted in English by international experts from European Union and Poland.

All the participants enjoyed a rich program of additional activities that allowed them to appreciate the culture of this country. A full day excursion was organised in the city of Lodz, a very historic city of Poland.

All the candidates who completed the program successfully received a certificate of participation. Additionally, students who presented some more work after the session acquired ECTS Credits.

We also asked our students at the end of the session to fill out the evaluation questionnaire and comment upon our programme. Their observations, which can be found further on in this report have been of a great value for us.

We hope that this session in Poland will be a very nice memory for each one

## **PROGRAMME**

Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup> 2017: Arrival of the participants – Accommodation Hotel GROMADA PI Powstancow, 00 048 Warsaw

Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> 2017:

9.00 h Departure from Hotel Gromada

10.30h: Opening session. Presentation of the partners:



**Marta Bojaruniec,** Director of the International Relation Office, Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregional Economy in Jozefow

## Marie France Perdigon,

Director of the summer university programme of CIFE.

### Presentation of the students

"Historical and cultural presentation of Poland"

Marta Bojaruniec M.A. (Poland), Director of the International Relation Office Alcide De Gasperi

University of Euroregional Economy in Jozefow

### **Lunch time at Dominium restaurant**

14.00h: "The position of Poland in the European area" Marta Bojaruniec M.A (Poland),





"The evolution of the Polish economy in the regional context: integration and transition".

**Roberto Neccia (Italy),** Economic Counsellor of the Italian Embassy.

Free time for dinner

# Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> 2017:

**10.00h FRONTEX** (the European Border and Coast Guard Agency) Visit of the building of Agency headquarters in Warsaw





### **Presentations** by the members of the Agency:

- Frontex's activities: the background for the Agency's establishment in 2004
- The mains migratory routes to Europe
- The main Frontex operational activites (specialy in Greece and Italy)
- The new Regulation on the European Border and Coast Guard.



12.30 h: Lunch time at STIXX restaurant (near Frontex)

14.30 h: "The new strategies for environment and sustainable development in Poland"

Adam Kapella (France), Head of the sustainable development sector, Regional Economic service-Central and Baltic Europe, French Embassy in Poland.

(in the building of the French Embassy:



Free time for dinner

## Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup> 2017:

10.00h « The importance of the new tipes of Energy: Tibal power, Wind power, hydrogen in Poland »
 M. S. Hossein Tabatabaei Phd (Iran), Researcher in law and policy of energy, University of Sophia-

Antipolis".



Video projection about Poland and its historic situation

13.00 h: Free time for lunch and free afternoon for personal visits

### We suggest some innovant places:

- Warsaw Rising Museum
- Marie Curie Museum
- Kopernic Museum
- The Bridge on Kanal Zeranski







Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>: Cultural and touristic visit in the city of LODZ Departure to LODZ by train

Arrival at LODZ FABRYCZNA, the most modern railway station in Europe (opened in 2016). 9.02h Welcome at the station by Prof. Ryszard Piasecki







Visit of Lodz Fabyczna station and the old business and financial district

Walking tour in the historic town









10.30h: Meeting in the building of local government of the Region of Lodz "The organization of local and regional authorities in Poland and Central Europe" Presentation by Gabriel Bednarczyk, Inspector, Regional Innovation Strategy Unit, Marshal's Office of the

Lodzkie Region



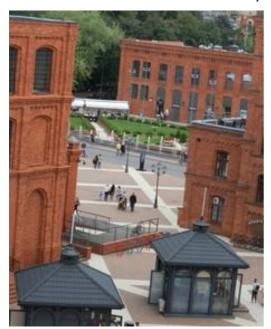
12.00h: Lunch in the building of the **Regional Government** 

**13.00h:** Visit of MORATEX, the smart technologies companies in Lodz a company working for the research of smart technologies (anti-ball jackets)





Pm Visit of the famous MANUFACTURA, the largest shopping center in Europe.











Saturday July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017: 9.30h



"The Energy security in the Baltic Sea Area"
"The Baltic Sea Energy Policy"

Jakub Sokolowski (Poland), Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregionl Economy in

Józefów



'Students' debate on the EU energy mix in the Baltic Sea Region'
Jakub Sokolowski , Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregionl Economy in Józefów



**13.00h: Closing session.** Distribution of diplomas. End of the academic program















**Closing lunch** 

15.00h: Examination Session for students wishing to acquire ECTS Credits

Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup> 2017: Departure

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# **EVALUATION**

This programme, organised in Warsaw for the second time in collaboration with Alcide De Gasperi University of Euroregional Economy was very appreciated. The examination of the evaluation forms have proved a large satisfaction with an average level of satisfaction of 95 % given by the candidates

The candidates were, for the majority, very surprised to be accommodate in such an hotel, located very close from the old city and very comfortable even if, from outside, the aspect a little bit "soviet" could surprise.

Nevertheless, this structure, with more than 300 rooms, was very comfortable with a huge breakfast buffet each morning. The students, but also visiting teachers, were delighted. The location, close to both the railway station and all the touristic sites of the city, was really ideal and a very short walk each morning was necessary to reach the train for Jozefow in less than 10 minutes.



Josefow University was a little bit far from the train station arrival and, because it was raining during almost all the week, the trip to the university was complicated. But half of the program was organised out of the university (institutional visits to Frontex, the French Embassy, Lodz) so the students were very satisfied with this very original program, with so interesting places to discover)

#### **Evaluation of the lecturers**

The global evaluation of the students regarding the lecturers was an average rating of about 9/10 for all the local and foreign teachers of the programme, which can be considered as a very good average. The majority of the were very satisfied. They all noticed a very large satisfaction about

- relations with the staff,
- administrative assistance offered before and during the program
- quick receptivity to any questions during the preparation
- cultural and tourist activities offered outside the program
- conduction of the educational program.

### **Evaluation of the programme**

The choice and diversity of the different topics was very appreciated and for the majority of the group, all the topics were relevant and presented in a very interesting and proper way. Most of the students made many positive comments about the team of lecturers, and judged the programme interesting. The academic programme was not too overbooked and a good balance was proposed between courses, visits and free time.

They took time to visit for themselves a lot of famous places and museums in Warsaw and appreciated the opportunity to explore the city openly and widely during the evening. The excursion to Lodz, organised in the middle of the week, was considered as a cultural break to have a look on another place of Poland. The students also appreciated relationship with the director of the programme and the partner. The general opinion was that the opportunity of an academic program and experience of living together with so many representatives of other nationalities will benefit each and everybody in the future.

In conclusion, the candidates have been satisfied with the program and expressed the wish to follow another summer session of CIFE in the future. A "lunch party" organised at the end of the programme, gave the opportunity for every student to receive a certificate proving his participation in the programme.

### **CIFE warmly thanks:**

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Prof. Ryszard Piasecki who helped specially for the session in Lodz

Frontex, Moratex, the French Embassy and the local government of the Region of Lodz to have accepted to receive our group in their own building, proposing very targed interventions on their activities, and all the lecturers taking part in the program.

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