

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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High-level academic teaching and practical know-how

CIFE provides excellent academic teaching, offering students **problem-focused learning at the crossroads of theory and practice**. This is guaranteed by its own international faculty as well as guest lecturers coming from renowned academic institutions and research centres such as Sciences Po (Paris), the London School of Economics, the University of Cologne, Humboldt University (Berlin).

Some of our programmes are carried out in partnership with universities worldwide such as the University of Kent, Istanbul Bilgi University, La Sapienza (Rome), Texas A&M and the Université internationale de Tunis. Next to its academic network, practitioners from international organisations, most prominently from the European Union, contribute to CIFE’s programmes.

Research projects

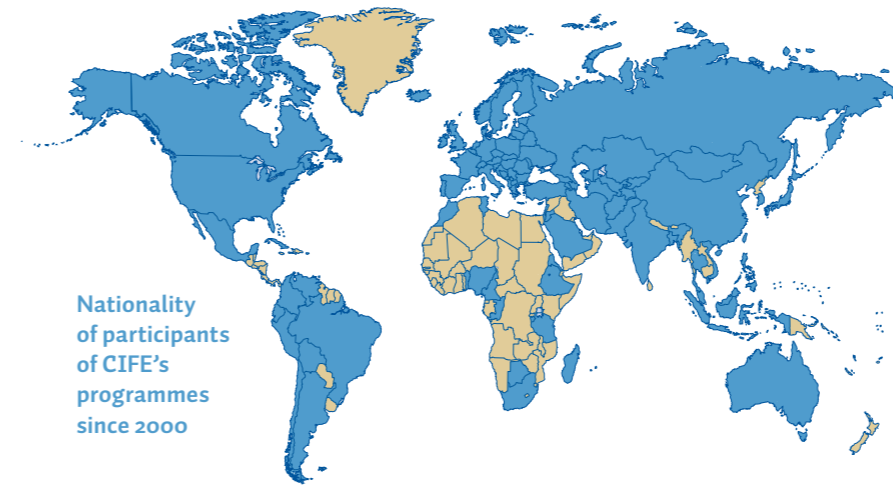
CIFE focusses on research projects in accordance with its intellectual heritage and academic competence: European integration, federalism, the role of Franco-German relations, EU-Western Balkan relations, energy transition, sustainable development. It participates currently in two Horizon 2020 consortia.



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Learning and living Europe – CIFE’s mission

European integration should be a lived experience for our students: Living together in an international community makes them aware of the futility of their national prejudices. Seeing EU institutions at work makes them realise that European integration is far more than a bureaucratic venture, but among the most ambitious and inspiring political projects of our times.



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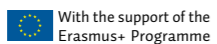
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The **Centre international de formation européenne (CIFE)** is a private institution of higher education and research, founded in 1954. The breadth of its geographic engagement and the variety of its academic programmes testify to CIFE's major commitments: **a confident, future-oriented vision of Europe, an innovative concept of teaching and an awareness of the challenges of a changing world.** CIFE has **a strong international orientation**, with its head office in **Nice** and offices in **Berlin, Brussels and Istanbul**. It is one of the six institutions of excellence to receive an operating grant from the EU under the 'Jean Monnet Activities' of the Erasmus+ programme.

Strengthening European identity

CIFE offers **intrinsically European education** which goes beyond the teaching framework of national higher education. Its students form a small, itinerant international community during an intensive academic year, being accompanied by an international faculty, experiencing thus the challenges of diversity and unity. Through higher education, CIFE is enhancing European-ness among young citizens. By educating students from all EU member states and beyond, CIFE is **training multipliers**, who convey in their future professional and personal context an accurate and fair image of European integration.

Our programmes connect EU policy makers with students, thus fostering the dialogue between young citizens and European decision-makers. International seminars addressed to participants from non-EU countries (China, US) are creating awareness, knowledge and support of the EU among multipliers from key audiences.

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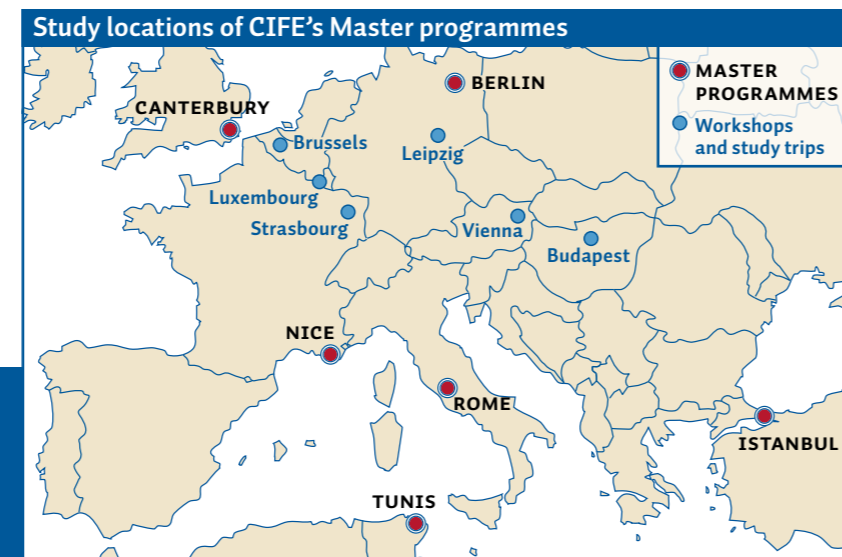


At the cutting edge of European policies

The question of the **best possible European, national or regional governance** is at the core of the academic tradition of CIFE. Since 2005, it is fostering **EU-Turkey relations** with its office in Istanbul and terms at its partner Bilgi University. CIFE's Master programme on **EU-Mediterranean relations** makes students aware of the unprecedented challenges of the region. The recently opened **"Master in Global Energy Transition and Governance"** deals with a pivotal issue of future EU policy making. CIFE's teaching programmes create European added value by fostering networks between academics, policy-makers and young people from different member states as well as neighbourhood countries (Caucasus and Central Asia, Turkey, Maghreb region).

Committed to lifelong learning

Offering a lifelong European education has always been one of CIFE's major concerns. Its **"Executive Master in EU Studies"** for professionals, who continue their studies while pursuing their career, attest to this commitment.



On the move: Learning and living Europe

CIFE strongly supports the **mobility of its students**: The participants in five of its Master's programmes rotate each trimester, moving their place of study from France (Nice) to Germany (Berlin), Italy (Rome), United Kingdom (Canterbury), Turkey (Istanbul) or Tunisia (Tunis). Study trips to Brussels, Strasbourg, Luxembourg, and Leipzig offer additional insights into specific regional aspects.

Interdisciplinary Master programmes

Next to shorter academic programmes and a doctoral programme, CIFE offers the following international and interdisciplinary Master programmes:

Master in Global Energy Transition and Governance
in Nice and Berlin (English)

Master in Global Economic Governance and Public Affairs
in Rome, Berlin, Nice (English)

Executive Master in EU Studies (English)

Master in Advanced European and International Studies (MAEIS):

MAEIS Trilingual Studies
in Nice, Canterbury, Berlin (English, French and German)

MAEIS Mediterranean Studies
in Nice, Tunis, Istanbul (English, French)

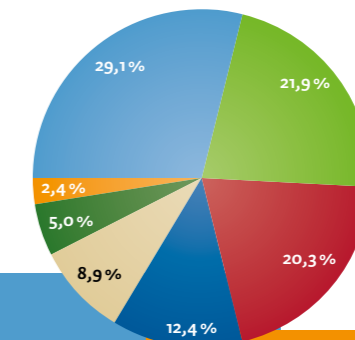
MAEIS European Integration and Global Studies
in Berlin, Nice, Rome or Istanbul (English)

Innovative teaching methods

CIFE has been at the vanguard in developing digital higher education programmes, since it created in 2003 one of the first qualifying on-line study programmes in European integration. The teaching methods are regularly updated to include ever more interactive formats. Practical workshops provide the students with the skills and competences needed on the job market: negotiation, intercultural awareness, project cycle management, public speech ... Together with practitioners, they follow up EU policy making in real time and thus experience how decisions are made among member states.

Policy Officer in European and international organisations

CIFE's Alumni succeed in the professional world. The French state has recognised CIFE's graduate programmes as a qualification at Master level (level 7 EQF). Thanks to this recognition, CIFE's graduates receive the qualification as "Policy officer in European and international organisations". This recognition demonstrates not only that CIFE's graduates are employable, but also that they are in employment. The accrediting body (CNCP) verifies that at least three quarters of CIFE's graduates work in the professional field covered by this qualification: as 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 CIFE's graduates since 2008

- International and European organisations
- National governments and administrations
- Companies and banks
- Research and teaching
- Consultancy and advocacy
- International humanitarian sector/NGOs
- International media