

# The European Union in World Politics What Power? What Leadership? A multidisciplinary approach

# **Summer School**

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#### **Presentation**

**Punto Europa** was established in May 1999 in Forlì, as an information and study/documentation centre on EuropeanUnion-related issues of the University of Bologna, Forlì Campus, thanks to the cooperation of the Municipality of Forlì and the Province of Forlì-Cesena. Part of the Europe Direct network of the European Commission since 2007, in September 2014 Punto Europa has been awarded "Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence". A JM Centre of Excellence is a focal point of competence and knowledge on European Union subjects, gathering the expertise and competences of high-level experts (including Jean Monnet Chairs and Jean Monnet Module coordinators) and aiming at developing synergies between the various disciplines and resources in European studies, as well as at creating joint transnational activities and structural links with academic institutions in other countries.

As part of the Centre of Excellence activities in reaching out to students, Punto Europa organizes the Summer School **"The European Union in World Politics. What Power? What Leadership? A multidisciplinary approach"**. Our aim is to bring talented students from around the world to spend an intensive academic period in the beautiful city of Bertinoro. Selected international academics as well as practitioners will take part to this five-days academic program where concrete aspects of important social, economic and political problems are going to be tackled, contributing to the understanding of selected current issues while fostering the international dialogue.

Specifically, the intensive course will be directed to the **study of patterns concerning the European Power in relation to the rest of the world**. This topic is particularly important and timely for several reasons: the EU is widely appreciated for its specific international stance (as a sort of civilian power of a new sort), but few consider it to be a world leader. In addition, the possible internal impact of the EU's external stance will be explored: as well as the interaction with the external environment can be considered as a gradual result of the integration process, the endurance of this process (and its positive results) also depends on the ability of the Union to effectively interact with the external environment. The general aim of the course will be therefore to show how and why the EU has come to assume the status of a global power, and to what extent this status affects the international context.

The topic will be addressed through **four subthemes closely interrelated: security, migration, human rights and external relations** (see the program). The main feature of this intensive course will be indeed its multidisciplinary approach: lecturers will be university professors specialized in history, law, economics, political science, sociology and political philosophy, ensuring a detailed study of the topic by adopting a truly interdisciplinary perspective, and high-level EU officials. This will guaranty a constructive dialogue and will foster a significant cross fertilization.

All participants and attendees who fulfill the requirements during the program will be awarded with certificates by Punto Europa, Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence.

#### <u>When</u>

13-17 September 2015

#### <u>Where</u>

Summer School will take place in the University Residential Centre of Bertinoro (Ce.U.B.), active since 1994 in the field of vocational training, conferences, congresses and lectures. Ce.U.B. is a vocational training centre of the University of Bologna and it is located in the bishop's fortress of the ancient town of Bertinoro (Forlì-Cesena).

#### How to apply

Please fill in and submit the **Application Form**. There is no application fee.

You will be asked to provide in attachment the following documents to the Application:

• Your recent resume or curriculum vitae;

• A statement-of-purpose not exceeding 500 words stating your reasons for applying to the School, and what you would like to gain by attending;

• A photocopy of a valid and not expired Identity Document.

The language of the Bertinoro Summer Schools is English. Therefore, non-native speakers of English should be equipped with English language proficiency enabling them to participate in discussions and workshops. You do not need to submit any proof of English proficiency when sending the on-line application.

Applicants can both e-mail or fax their application.

## **Application procedure**

- Applications received by the **deadline of midnight on July 12, 2015** will be considered in admission decisions. Late applications may not be considered.

All students will be **informed about admissions decisions by July 17, 2015**. Selected students must **confirm by July 23, 2015**.

- Participants will be selected according to the following two criteria:

- Educational Background (Year, Grade Point Average and Area of Study)
- Statement of Purpose

- Approximately **30 students** will be admitted to this intensive course. We aim to create a truly international student body.

- Priority will be given to students with at least some academic background related to the topics of Bertinoro Summer School. Nevertheless, students of other academic backgrounds, but with strongly demonstrated interest in the Summer School topic, will be considered on an equal basis.

- Students admitted to Bertinoro Summer Schools 2015 are expected to participate fully in the program by attending all classes, lectures and social events.

## Program costs

The program fee for students selected: 250 EUR

This fee will cover:

Tuition including complete course reading materials, student's handbook, maps, accommodation and every meals per day (breakfast, lunch and dinner) and cultural events. Students are responsible for their own travel costs and other personal expenses.

The payment is divided into **two parts**: EUR 100 are to be paid by the deadline of **July 23**; the remaining EUR 150 will be paid by **10 September**.

No refund of the EUR 100 will be made for cancellations after the deadline of 29 June.

#### Travel costs

Students will be responsible for travel costs.

#### Venue, Accommodation

## **School Venue**

The school is organized at the University Residential Center of Bertinoro (CEUB), situated in Bertinoro, a small village on a scenic hill with a wonderful panorama, in between Forlì and Cesena (about 50 miles south-east of Bologna, 15 miles from the Adriatic sea). Bertinoro is close to many splendid locations (such as the Republic of San Marino and the nearby Gradara, San Leo, and Urbino) and can also be a base for visiting some of the better-known Italian locations such as Bologna, Ravenna, and Firenze. More information on CEUB website http://www.ceub.it/. Further information will be given in the course.

# **Accommodation**

Students will be accommodated in double occupancy rooms at the University Residential Center of Bertinoro. Each rooms is equipped with a private shower, WC, TV, internet connection (wi-fi) and telephone.

# Meals

Meals will include breakfasts, lunches and dinners served at the CEUB restaurant.

## Social programme

A guided visit to the Inter-faith Museum of Bertinoro dedicated to monotheistic religions forms integral part of the course. There will be a visit to the Town Hall of Bertinoro, considered to be the "city of hospitality".