

# The Master in Advanced European and International Studies

## About the programme

The **European Integration and Global Studies** programme of the Master in Advanced European and International Studies is targeted at students having completed their undergraduate studies. It follows a distinctive approach: participants rotate each trimester during this one-year-programme, moving their place of studies from **Berlin to Nice**, and then to **Rome**, faithful to CIFE’s motto «Learning and living Europe». The programme is not only **itinerant**, but **international** and **interdisciplinary** as well, allowing students from all over the world (around 20 different nationalities are represented in each group) to gain a deep understanding of the role of the European Union in an ever more complex and turbulent world. From the settlement of international conflicts to the negotiation of trade agreements, democracy promotion or sustainable development strategies, students discover how EU institutions, policies and actors shape our world by exploring case studies and discussing with field experts.

### Our partners

- Institut für Europäische Politik, Berlin
- Università La Sapienza, Rome
- Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome



Working language: English

60 ECTS



## Degree and recognition

Students who successfully complete the programme are awarded two certifications at the end of the academic year:

- **Master in Advanced European and International Studies:** This is the diploma of CIFE as private institute of higher education, 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).

## Tuition and scholarship funds

**Tuition fees: 8900 €**

The amount covers the study fees for the whole length of the programme, the students’ accommodation in Nice, the programme-related travel expenses, the simulations and professional skills workshops, participation in conferences as well as access to local libraries. A limited number of scholarships is available for particularly qualified candidates.

## Admission requirements

This interdisciplinary graduate programme is aimed at students who have already completed a first degree (minimum three years of study at university level). Furthermore, students must have a good knowledge of English. You can find more detailed information on the application procedure and apply online at [www.ie-ei.eu](http://www.ie-ei.eu).

**Deadline for applications: 1 July of the current year**



# Problem-focused learning at the crossroads of theory and practice

## Teaching modules

**Conflict and cooperation in the international system** World politics in the 21st century are confronted with dynamic, multidimensional challenges. The module aims at enriching students’ understanding of the similarities, differences and interactions of national foreign policies in a globalised world. It considers emerging patterns of international politics, including international law and international tribunals, globalisation and transatlantic relations, as well as conflict management.

**European integration and external action** This module aims at equipping the students – the next generation of European and international decision-makers – with an expert knowledge of the structures, institutions, law and policies of the EU, as well as of the historical development of European unification, with a special emphasis on the challenges of enlargement.

**Federalism and multi-level governance** This module provides an original perspective on contemporary political institutions, through varied federal and multi-level governance frameworks. It deals with issues such as diffusion and balance of power, sovereignty, minorities, democratic representation, conflict resolution, and European integration.

**Economy, globalisation and sustainable development** The goal of this module is to study the key forces shaping economic globalization and its challenges in their diverse dimensions. Without going into the details of economic theory, students explore the contribution of these fundamental driving forces to economic development as well as major economic crises. The module includes an overview of major sustainable development issues.

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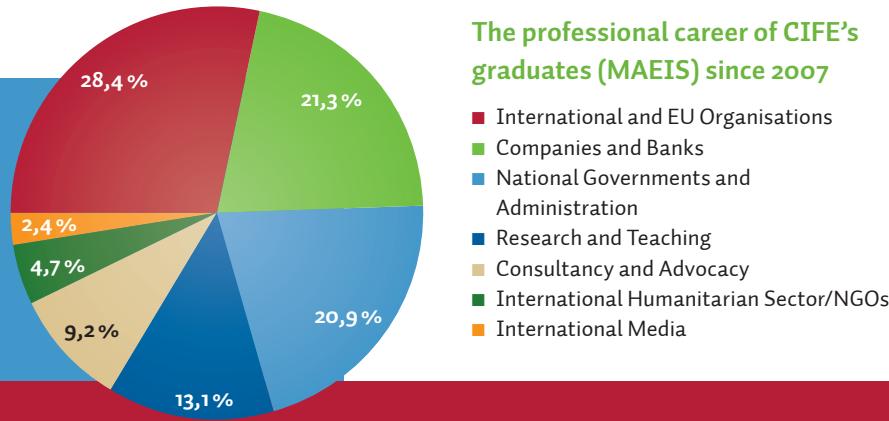
## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS

This module equips the participants with professional skills and competences that will enable them to work in the context of the European and international organisations. Seminars and workshops on:

- Project cycle management
- Intercultural communication
- International mediation and negotiation
- Communicating on social media
- Drafting of position papers and policy recommendations
- Career workshop

## Career prospects

Graduates of this programme work for European institutions, international organisations, non-governmental organisations, national diplomacy, consultancies, research institutes as well as for the private sector. The programme has provided them with the necessary knowledge, skills and competences required on the job market of international and European organisations. The **Institut européen • European Institute (IE•EI)** is a department of CIFE. Since its foundation, over 5000 students from more than 100 countries have graduated at the IE • EI.



European integration does not run smoothly like a long, quiet river. Its course takes it through crises and dramas. But this chaotic progression, even if it takes occasionally unexpected or complicated byways, eventually always leads to further integration. (...) It serves a purpose then that an institution like CIFE is helping young people – both European and non-European – better understand this adventure: how the European Union develops and functions, how it reacts to the world’s transformations, how it is ever reinventing itself and growing stronger ...

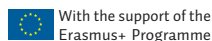
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Former Deputy Prime Minister of Belgium  
Former President of the European Investment Bank (EIB)  
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Over 60 years, we have been unstinting advocates of European integration through our international and interdisciplinary study programmes. CIFE (Centre international de formation européenne) is a private institution of higher education and research, founded in 1954 with its head office in Nice and offices in Berlin, Brussels and Istanbul. It receives special funding in the framework of the Jean Monnet Programme of the European Union. Jean-Claude Juncker is Honorary President of CIFE.



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Political and Public Affairs Unit, OSCE-Presence in Albania



I will always remember fondly my time during the year of Master’s studies at CIFE, as it was a remarkably rich academic, social and cultural experience which resulted in a better understanding of the ties that link us all together in a process of unity in diversity and ever-advancing global civilisation that yearns for co-operation and collective security. In my current work at the OSCE Presence in Albania being tasked to maintain relations with regional and local officials and interlocutors I can’t think of a better academic experience that would have helped me match knowledge with the work in hand.

**Isabel Dimitrov** Bulgaria/Canada, MAEIS 2014/15  
Community Engagement Advisor for Europe, Middle East and Africa, Cargill



I recall what attracted me to the programme in the first place: learning and living in three dynamic cities, the interdisciplinary nature of the modules, and the small but diverse class size. The experience was all of this and more – it was truly transformative. My classroom was not only what I learned from my professors, it was what I learned everyday in class and outside of class with my classmates, as we discovered our cities, uncovered each other’s perspectives, and challenged our world views in ways we never thought possible. I thank CIFE for creating such a unique environment for its students to thrive in ways which go beyond the conventional route of learning – it is after all, that by doing things in a not so ordinary way that we can achieve the extraordinary.



## Overview of the academic year

**The first term starts in Berlin.** It encompasses introductory classes to the five modules of the programme. Our partner in Berlin, the Institut für Europäische Politik, provides a dialogue with EU and international organisations experts.

**The second term in Nice** starts off in January, where teaching focuses on the current international order, examining the reasons for conflict and the perspectives for cooperation. Lectures explore Europe's policies in diverse fields (trade, democracy promotion, conflict resolution, climate change, development aid) to explain how important a role the EU plays on the international stage. At the same time, the programme looks into the current challenges the European integration project is facing (euroscepticism, the challenges of economic governance, Brexit, refugee crisis). During this term, students take their mid-term exams. A one-week study trip takes them to European and international institutions in **Brussels, Strasbourg** and **Luxembourg**.

**The third term of the academic year takes place in Rome**, where courses delivered by academic experts and practitioners provide students with in-depth knowledge of the key issues addressed in the programme. Students have the opportunity to advance in their research work, as they are left free of obligations from mid-May to end of June to work on their thesis dissertation.

The programme concludes with the defence of the thesis and the final oral exams at the end of June.

### The academic year

Oct.	Opening conference	BERLIN
Nov.		
Dec.		
Jan.	Mid-term exams	NICE
Feb.		
March	Study trip*	
April		ROME
May	Thesis	
June	Final exams	
	Graduation ceremony	

Please note that this programme may be subject to change

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