

**European Studies Masters Programme  
INTENSIVE SEMINAR AT EU INSTITUTIONS AND NATO  
(BRUSSELS AND LUXEMBOURG)**

**09-14 NOVEMBER 2014**

*In 2014 students from Switzerland (the SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, Olton) have been invited  
to attend the Intensive Seminar*

Day	Time	Activity
<b>09 November Sunday</b>	14:00-24:00	<b>Check in at the Citadines Toison d'Or Brussels</b> 61-63, avenue de la Toison d'Or, <b>Metro Station: Louise</b> <b>(keys will be distributed from 14:00 to 24:00 hours)</b>
<b>10 November Monday</b>	8:15	<b>Meeting at the hotel lobby</b> Visitors should ensure that they have their identity cards or passports with them at all times as they will be asked to show them when entering Commission buildings.
	9:00-10:00	<b>EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE (EEAS)</b> <b>EU Info point</b> , 12 Rond-point Schuman, <b>Metro station: Schuman</b> 9:00-9:10 – Welcome and introduction by Professor Dr. <b>Tatjana MURAVSKA</b> , Director, European Studies Master's Programme, UL 9:10-10:00 – Briefing by <b>Mr. Pēteris USTUBS</b> , Director, West and Central Africa, Senior Coordinator for Sahel, EEAS Group: 40 people
	10:10-12:45	<b>COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION</b> The Justus Lipsius building, 175 Rue de la Loi, <b>Metro station: Schuman</b> 10:10-10:30 – Check in and security control 10:30-12:00 – “Role of the European Council and the Council of the European Union within the European Institutions” by <b>Ms. Rita LIUDVINAVICIUTE</b> , Legal Adviser, Social Affairs, Energy, Research, Telecommunications Directorate, General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union 12:00-12:45 – Lunch at the Council's Canteen ( <i>at visitors' own expenses</i> ) Group: 68 people
	13:00	Departure by private bus to NATO from Schuman 14, Rue Archimède 1, 1000 Brussels (next to the Info point / EEAS) Group: 68 people
	13:30-17:00	<b>NATO</b> 13:30-15:00 – Arrival NATO HQ. Security check. Conference Room LUNS 15:00-16:00 – NATO video, followed by briefing and discussion on “The results of the Wales Summit” by <b>Mr. Zsolt RABAI</b> , Programme Officer, Coordinator for Partners across the Globe and Contact Countries /Hungary, Engagements Section, Public Diplomacy Division. 16:00 -17:00 – Briefing on NATO's Partnerships, by <b>Mr. Krisztian MESZAROS</b> , Euro-Atlantic Integration and Partnerships, Political Affairs and Security Policy Division. Group: 68 people
	17:00	Completion of assessment form and departure by private bus from NATO to the Hotel Citadines Toison d'Or Brussels Group: 68 people

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Getting know each other. Interaction between students from Bremen, Riga and Olton at the Citadines Toison D'or Hotel  
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11 November Tuesday	8:00	<b>Meeting at the hotel lobby</b>
	8:45-12:30	<p><b>EUROPEAN COMMISSION</b> Building "Van Maerlant 2", Rue van Maerlant 10, <b>Metro station: Maelbeek</b>, exit to Chaussée d'Etterbeek. 8:45-9:00 – Check in and security control 9:00 -10:00 – Welcome and introduction by <b>Ms Liesbeth DE BUYSSER</b> "The Role of the European Commission in the European Union" by <b>Mr. Mark CORNER</b>, External Speaker Team of the European Commission 10:00-10:15 – Break 10:15-11:00 – Briefing "EU Employment Policy" by <b>Ms Carola BOUTON</b>, Directorate-General for Employment 11:00-12:00 – Briefing "EU Energy Policy" by <b>Ms Kaja POLD</b>, Directorate-General for Energy 12:00-12:15 – Break 12:15-12:30 – Briefing "EU Studies Survey – The Results" by <b>Mr Ruard WALLIS DE VRIES</b>, Directorate-General for Education and Culture Group: 40 people</p>
	12:45-14:55	<p><b>THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE ( EESC) and COMMITTEE OF REGONS( CoR)</b> Citizens' Auditorium at Rue Belliard 93, <b>Metro station: Troon</b> 12:45-13:00 – Arrival, check-in 13:00-14:10 – EESC, CoR briefings, Q&amp;A 14:10-14:55 – Lunch at EESC/CoR Canteen (at visitors' own expenses) Group: 40 people</p>
	15:15	<p><b>EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT</b> Paul Henri Spaak building Rue Wiertz 60, room PHS 4B001, <b>Metro station: Troon</b> 15:15-15:30 – Arrival and check in at the security control. 15:30-16:15 – Presentation "The structure, functioning and key role of European Parliament among the EU institutions" by <b>Mr. Māris Indulis GRAUDIŅŠ</b>, Directorate-General for Communication 16:15-16:30 – Break 16:30-17:15 – Presentation "The European Parliament and Foreign Policy - a full fledged actor?" by <b>Dr.Oliver KRENTZ</b> Policy Advisor, European Parliament Committee of Foreign Affairs Group: 40 people</p>
	18:15-20:00	<p><b>EXPOSITION</b> <b>Brussels in WWI</b> <a href="http://www.museedelavilled Bruxelles.be/en/museum/14-18/">http://www.museedelavilled Bruxelles.be/en/museum/14-18/</a>. Venue: Central Market (Grand Place); open until 8pm on Thursdays.</p>

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	5:00	<b>Meeting at the hotel lobby</b>
	5:15	Departure by private bus from the hotel Citadines Toison d'Or Brussels, 61-63, avenue de la Toison d'Or to Luxembourg Group: 40 people
	8:20-14:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION</b></p> <p>8:20-8:45 – Check in and security control. Visitors' entrance - rue du Fort Niedergrünewald. 8:45-9:15 - Briefing of case C-1/14 SALLE DE CONFÉRENCE – PALAIS Base Company et Mobistar by <b>Mrs D. MISIUNAITE</b>, Legal administrator , chambers of <b>Judge Jarašiūnas</b> (together with St Mary's University College) 9:30-11:15 Hearing of the case C-1/14 SALLE D'AUDIENCE IV - PALAIS (06-702) - NIVEAU 6 Base Company et Mobistar (Communications électroniques - Réseaux et services - Service universel et droits des utilisateurs - Obligations de service social - Principe d'égalité) 11:15-11:30 - Break 11:30-12:15 - Meeting with <b>Mr Egils LEVITS</b>, Judge at the Court, Salle d'accueil N°3 - GA3 +1 037 12:15-13:00 - Meeting with <b>Mrs Ingrīda LABUCKA</b>, Judge at the General Court, Salle d'accueil N°3 - GA3 +1 037 13:00-14:00 - Lunch in “Cafétéria – Erasmus” in the presence of <b>Mrs D. SINGHA</b>, Lawyer Linguist, Latvian Translation Unit(at visitors' own expenses) 14:00 – End of programme Group: 40 people</p>
<b>12 November Wednesday</b>	14:00	<b>Bus departure to Eurostat</b> Group: 40 people
	14:45-17:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EUROSTAT</b></p> <p>14:45-15:00 – Check in and security control at Eurostat Joseph Bech building, 5 Rue Alphonse Weicker, L-2721 Luxembourg 15:00-15:30 – Overview presentation of Eurostat by <b>Mr. Tim ALLEN</b>, Head of Eurostat Press Office (DG-02/Press Office) 15:30-16:15 – Regional statistics by <b>Mr. Oliver HEIDEN</b>, Statistical administrator 16:15-17:00 – Social statistics by <b>Mrs. Georgiana IVAN</b>, Statistical administrator (Unit F4) Group: 40 people</p>
	17:00	End of visit to Eurostat Departure by private bus to the Embassy of the Russian Federation
	17:30-19:00	<b>Embassy of the Russian Federation in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg</b> Ambassade de Russie, Chateau de Beggen L-1719 Luxembourg Meeting with <b>H.E. Mr. Mark Entin</b> – Appointed Extraordinary Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Russian Federation in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg Group: 40 people
	19:00-22:00	Return by private bus to the Citadines Toison D'Or hotel in Brussels Group: 40 people

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	7:45	<b>Meeting at the hotel lobby</b>
<b>13 November Thursday</b> x	8:15-11:00	<p><b>PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA TO THE EUROPEAN UNION</b></p> <p>08:15 – Check in and security control at Permanent Representation of the Republic of Latvia to the European Union, Avenue des Arts 23  <b>Metro station: Arts Loi</b></p> <p>Briefings:  08:30-9:45 – <b>Mr. Jānis BĒRZIŅŠ</b>, Head of Press and Information Unit  09:45-10:20 – <b>Mrs. Inese ALLIKA</b>, Advisor, Representative of the Bank of Latvia, Economics and Monetary Policy, Banking Union  10:20-11:00 – <b>Mrs. Līga ANDERSONE</b>, Advisor, EU External Relations with Central Asia  Group: 40 people</p>
	11:20-13:00	<p><b>PRESS BRIEFING AT THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION</b>  <b>Berlaymont Building, 200 Rue de la Loi, Metro station: Schuman</b></p> <p>11:20-11:30 – Arrival, Security check  11:30-12:00 – <i>Coffee in EC Cafeteria</i>  12:00-13:00 – Mid-day Press Briefing at the European Commission  Group: 40 people</p>
	13:00	<b>Departure to BRUEGEL</b>
	13:30-17:00	<p><b>BRUEGEL – European think tank</b>  33 rue de la Charite, Brussels, <b>Metro station: Madou</b></p> <p>13:30-14:00 – Arrival and sandwich lunch  14:00-15:30 – Presentation: Bruegel and Brussels based think tanks by <b>Mr Matt DANN</b>, Secretary General  15:30-17:00 – Presentation: Bruegel’s work on European macroeconomics by <b>Mr Gregory CLAEYS</b>, Research Fellow  17:00 – End of the visit  Group: 68 people</p>
	18:15-20:00	<p><b>Exposition</b>  <b>Brussels in WWI</b></p> <p><a href="http://www.museedelavilled Bruxelles.be/en/museum/14-18/">http://www.museedelavilled Bruxelles.be/en/museum/14-18/</a>. Venue: Central Market (Grand Place); open until 8pm on Thursdays.</p>

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	8:45	<b>Meeting at the hotel lobby</b>
<b>14 November Friday</b>	9:30-14:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>INFO POINT</b></p> <p><i>09:30</i> – Arrival, <b>Metro station: Schuman</b></p> <p><i>09:35-10:20</i> – <b>Mrs. Simonetta COOK</b>, Directorate for Interinstitutional relations, cabinet of the Secretary-General of the Council of the EU</p> <p><i>11:00-13:15</i> – Briefings by EEAS experts (programme will be provided by the EEAS)</p> <p><i>13:15-14:00</i> – Briefing on Human Trafficking and Role of Supportive EU Agencies by <b>Dr. Alexandre BERLIN</b>, Honorary Director, European Commission</p> <p>Group: 40 people</p>
	14:00-14:30	<b>End of the Study Visit</b>