

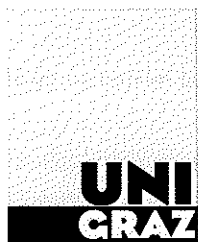
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# MASTER

AND INDIVIDUAL COURSES  
in European Integration and Regionalism

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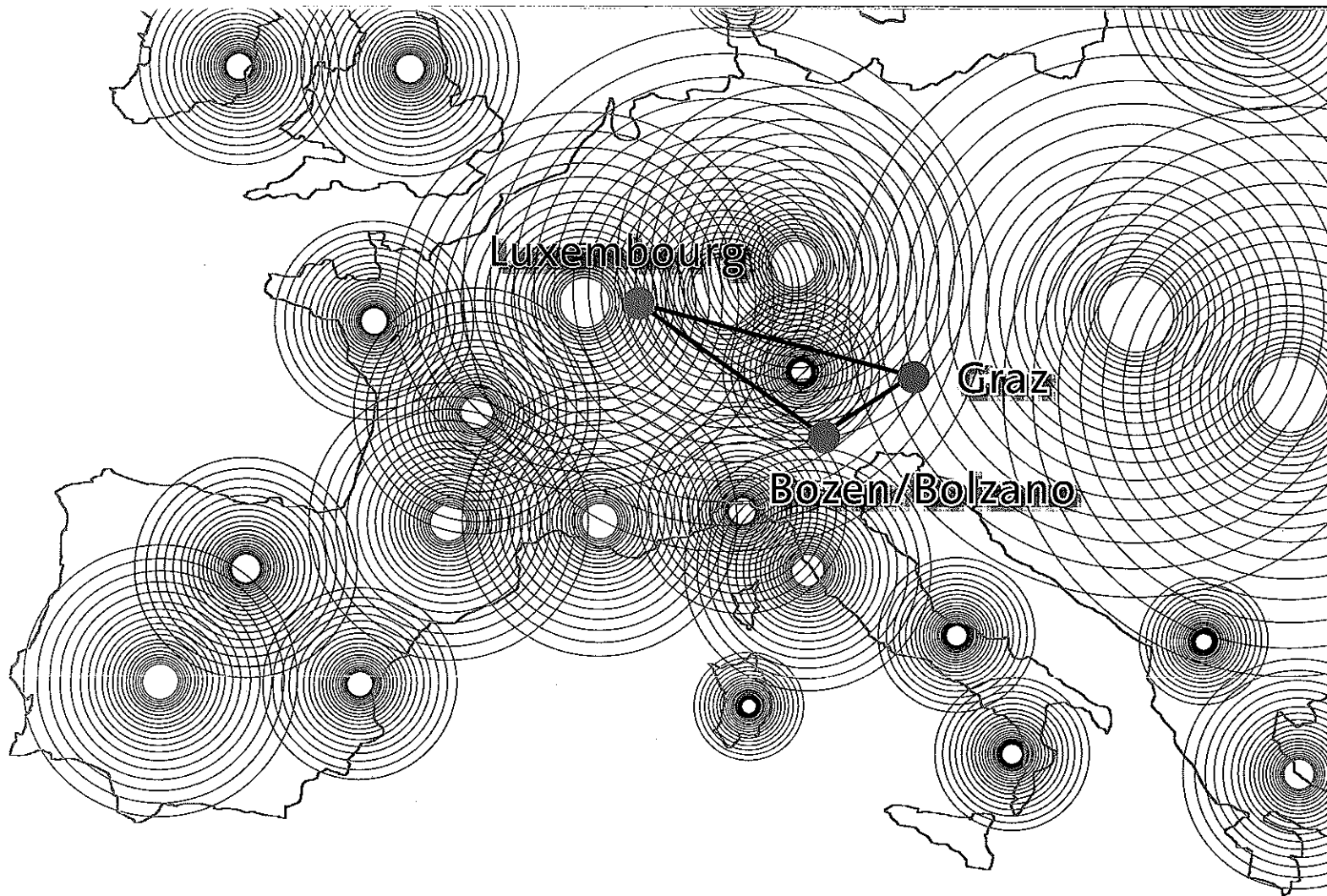
## THE NEW CHALLENGES OF REGIONAL AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY IN THE EU 25+

### Why you should join us?

Is "Europe" simply Brussels, London, Paris, Rome or Berlin? Is "Europe" simply made of "Eurocrats" sitting in those capitals? No! Europe is also Aberdeen, Belgrade, Bolzano, Graz, Maastricht, Nancy, Novi Sad, Sarajevo, and Zagreb where our friends and partners of the Masters programme live and work. European integration is not only a bureaucratic, top-down process in favour of abstract market forces with "legalese" newspeak, but has a much broader regional and cultural dimension which finds expression in current tendencies to strengthen regions, to preserve cultural diversity against the few negative harmonising effects of the Common Market and to avoid discrimination against individuals. Moreover, enlargement of the European Union will drastically augment the degree of diversity through an enormous increase not only of states, but also of cultures, languages and minorities as well as regional and economic disparities.

*450 million EU citizens of different ethnic origins and religious backgrounds...*

The scope of diversity between some 450 million EU citizens of different ethnic origins and religious backgrounds will be a major concern of our programme. We address the diversity between the hundreds of regions in Europe and the resulting issue of the potential influence of such regions within a Greater Europe. At the core of the Masters programme is the inter-relationship between diversity and unity.



Each of these new challenges creates a vast and ever expanding requirement for interdisciplinary knowledge and up to date skills from civil servants, students, and other professionals engaged in the various fields. A strong focus upon horizontal integration through trans-regional and functional co-operation and the 'bottom-up' approach differentiate this innovative Masters programme in comparison to other European studies courses.

*In order to fulfill this task, the multi-disciplinary Masters programme will provide participants with a sound knowledge of the intricate relationship between European integration and regionalism.*

## Who should participate?

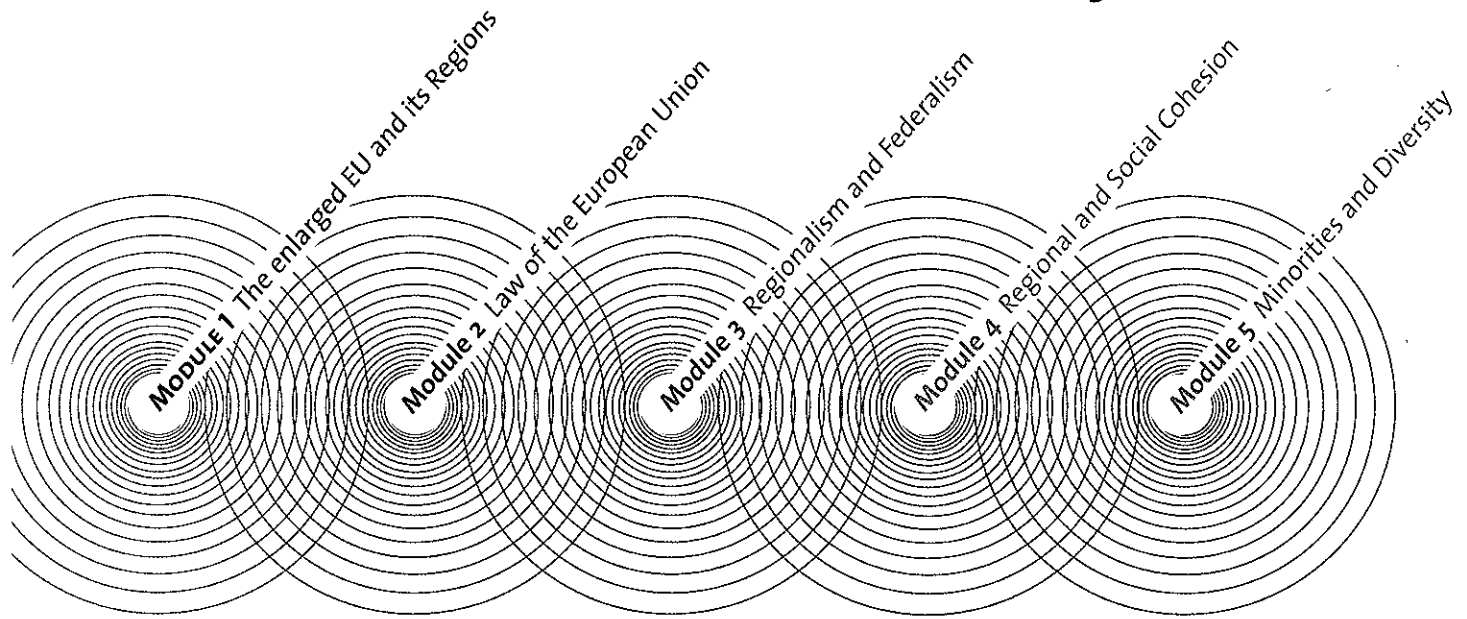
## The Programme is tailored for:

Civil servants from local, regional or national administrations who primarily work with EU law and therefore require both theoretical and practical training in EU and regional issues;

Lawyers, economists, sociologists and others in the employment of non-governmental organisations wishing to enhance their inter-disciplinary skills and to specialise within different aspects of European integration, regionalism and diversity;

Journalists and teachers interested in recent developments and advanced training in related fields:

# The Master in European Integration and Regionalism is divided into 5 Modules



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# Structure and Content

## STRUCTURE

The full Masters programme consists of three semesters.

The first two semesters include five individual modules, each lasting for two weeks and related study visits to institutions in Brussels, Luxembourg, Strasbourg and Bolzano.

During the third semester students are expected to produce an academic thesis on an appropriate topic suitable for submission. Research and preparation for this thesis may, if the student so wishes, either be undertaken at a Partner University or as part of an internship in a local, regional or national administration of an EU Member State, an International Organisation or other bodies of regional concern. However, students are not obliged to undertake such additional study at a Partner University nor such an internship.

A high degree of flexibility of studies renders the programme attractive for employed persons. Online facilities will support studies. All teaching and studies are undertaken in English.

Applications can be made either to the full programme or to single modules of the taught period. In the latter case attendance of a module will lead to the award of a certificate.

## SCHEDULE OF STUDIES

### ◉ Semester 1

Module 1	The enlarged EU and its Regions/Summer Academy	August	Bozen/Bolzano
Module 2	Law of the European Union	November	Luxembourg
Module 3	Regionalism and Federalism	January	Bozen/Bolzano

### ◉ Semester 2

Module 4	Regional and Social Cohesion	April	Luxembourg
Module 5	Minorities and Diversity	June	Bozen/Bolzano

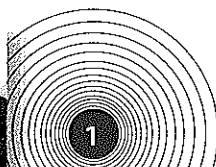
### ◉ Semester 3

Masters thesis		January	
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## BASIC CONTENT AND AIMS OF THE 5 Modules

(Each of the 5 modules will last for two weeks and can be chosen as an individual course)

Erhard Busek,  
Special Co-ordinator of  
the Stability Pact for  
South Eastern Europe



### THE ENLARGED EU AND ITS REGIONS *The first module taking place in Bolzano and serving*

also as a *Summer Academy*, provides an overview of different national historiographies by discussing the role of myths and the (mis)use of history for nationalistic perceptions and the mechanisms of exclusion or inclusion. The module explores furthermore the development of federalism in the history of European integration. Greatest importance is given to the processes of Eastern enlargement which combine sociological with legal and economic questions. The thorough analyses of the concepts both of federalism and

## LAW OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

*The module on European Union law taking place in Luxembourg* has been designed with the aim of attaining two principle aims: firstly to provide a comprehensive view of the constitutional organisation of the European Union (including the functioning, inter-relation and decision-making processes of the various institutions), and secondly to introduce fundamental concepts of European Union Law (general principles, non-discrimination, fundamental freedoms, internal market harmonisation and competition) with a view to providing students with a practical understanding of current EU legal issues.



Josef Azizi,  
Judge at the Court  
of First Instance  
of the European  
Communities



Ferdinand Kinsky,  
Vice Director of  
the International  
Centre for European  
Studies, Nice

## REGIONALISM AND FEDERALISM

*The third module, taking place in Bolzano,* deals with the political and economic aspects of regionalism and federalism in understanding the varying opportunities of regions in determining not only their own affairs through instruments of self-government, but also in influencing decision-making at the national and European level. The considerable diversity of regions existing in Europe raises the question of their feasibility and how a model region should be created. Last but not least, the federal nature of the EU itself will thoroughly be explored with actors from the European Convention, which drafted the future EU Constitution. It will be examined, how greater transparency, accountability and more active participation for the development of a genuine European civil society may be achieved.

## REGIONAL AND SOCIAL COHESION

*The fourth module on regional and social cohesion, taking place in Luxembourg,* will provide for a thorough understanding as to how regions may steer their own economic destiny. In order to take full advantage of EU regional policy, national civil servants are therefore required to be familiar with policies such as those in the areas of technology and innovation, yet also with the various funding schemes of the EU. The second part of the module will deal with EU measures against social exclusion. Participants will become familiarised with principles and case law in the areas of equality, anti-discrimination and affirmative action within EC law. Attention is finally given to the status of the increasing number of third country nationals and EU policy on immigration and asylum.



DDr. Herbert Batliner,  
Lawyer, Vaduz



John Packer,  
Chef de Cabinet, Office of  
the High Commissioner for  
National Minorities, OSCE

## MINORITIES AND DIVERSITIES

*The last module in Bolzano* will deal with the current complexities of cultural diversity and minority protection in Europe through discussion of the international and interregional protection mechanisms of the United Nations, the OSCE and the Council of Europe with leading experts from these organisations. Moreover, the wide range of linguistic, educational and political rights to be found in different national constitutional systems will be explored. Particular attention will be given to a critical assessment of the autonomy statute of South Tyrol as a widely recognised success story of conflict settlement through discussions and workshops with politicians, civil servants, journalists and academics from the region.

*The new Eurac building in Bolzano*



## What we have to offer:

Interdisciplinary approach/multinational body of lecturers and tutorial staff/world-wide network for future activities/access to international organisations, regional administrations and business corporations through internships/in-depth training in project management/multicultural communication

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## – Admission Requirements and Applications

Applicants for the programme are required to hold a university degree, preferably in law, political science or economics. The Selection Committee will determine the suitability of different degrees. The number of the participants is limited. Selection is based upon academic success and relevant work experience related to the subjects of the programme. Proficiency in English is compulsory. For application forms and deadlines refer to [www.eurac.edu/meir](http://www.eurac.edu/meir)

## – Costs

The registration fees for the Masters programme is 6,500 EUR. For participants of single modules, a registration fee of 1,300 EUR per module will be charged. These fees do not include travel expenses or accommodation, which are to be covered by the participants themselves. A limited number of scholarships will be available.



*Joseph Marko, Professor at the Faculty of Law, University of Graz / Academic Director of the scientific division Minorities and Autonomies of the European Academy Bozen/Bolzano*



*Marie Soveroski, EIPA Antenna Luxembourg, Director of the European Centre for Judges and Lawyers*

## – Institutions and Partners

The strength of the Masters programme lies within its highly qualified teaching staff and network of competent partners. The Masters programme is offered by the University of Graz, which will award the degree and guarantee the high quality of the programme. The institutions entrusted with its implementation are EURAC (European Academy of Bolzano), located in the autonomous region of Trentino-Alto Adige / South Tyrol in northern Italy and EIPA (European Institute of Public Administration, Antenna Luxembourg). The case of South Tyrol is often quoted as a model of self-governance and regionalism, hence EURAC is able to provide exceptional theoretical and practical knowledge in the examination and application of minority protection and regionalism.

EIPA Antenna Luxembourg is supported by the administrations of the Member States of the European Union and by the European Commission and is one of the most respected institutions undertaking training of those civil servants primarily responsible for administrative issues relating to European integration.

The network of Partner universities throughout Europe provides a strong background and a vast pool of highly qualified teaching staff for all aspects of the programme. Many lecturers from the eastern regions of Europe will assist in providing concrete and up to date insights into relevant issues.