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# European Studies

## Munich and Vienna

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light of its history'

Module 3: European Economic Affairs

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# Munich

Arrival: 3 August

Sessions in Munich: 5 – 28 August

Sessions in Vienna: 14 - 17 August

Departure: 29 August

Sessions in Munich will take place at:  
Edmund-Rumpler-Straße 12



## Lecturer

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## Module 3: European economic Affairs

This module provides an analysis of key aspects related to European economic integration. A particular focus will be on the implications of the Single Market for national economies, external trade policy, the European Monetary Union and the sovereign debt crisis, social and employment policies, as well as European science and technology policy.

# Vienna

Arrival: 14 August  
Sessions: 15 – 16 August  
Departure: 17 August  
Session will take place at:  
Sechshauser Strasse 33A, 1150 Vienna



## Lecturer

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Sebastian Schäffer is the founder of SSC Europe, a competence network for Seminars, Simulations, and Consulting, and researcher at the Institute for the Danube region and Central Europe (IDM) in Vienna. He is member of the Academic Council of the Munich European Forum e.V. and Associate Researcher at the Center for Applied Policy Research (C•A•P) at Ludwig-Maximilians University of Munich (LMU).

Prior to that, Mr. Schäffer held positions as lecturer and research fellow at the Institute for Political Science, Georg-August-University Göttingen and at the Institute for Political Science and Communication Studies, Ernst-Moritz-Arndt-University Greifswald. In addition, Mr. Schäffer worked as a research fellow in the research group on European Affairs at the C•A•P and as a lecturer at LMU's Geschwister-Scholl-Institute for Political Science.

Mr. Schäffer holds an Honor's Master's degree in East European studies (major: legal studies, minor: history) from the University of Regensburg and an M.A. degree from LMU, where he studied political science, European law, and Slavonic studies.

## General course content

The sessions Prague are devoted to Austria as a member state of the European Union, the EU's strategy in the Danube region and the EU's energy security policy.

<b>Time</b>	<b>9.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.</b>	<b>11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.</b>	<b>afternoon</b>
Mon, 5	<p><b>Introductory lecture by Prof. Dr. Klaus H. Goetz</b></p> <p>Room: BU101 , Oettingenstraße 67</p>	<p><b>Program Introduction by lecturer</b></p> <p>Room 151, Oettingenstraße 67</p>	<p><b>MISU Welcome Summer Event</b></p>
Tue, 6	<p><b>Approaching a continent: A history focused perspective</b></p> <p>This session provides a short and critical overview of European history and thought, which serves as the basis for a further understanding of the continent and its contemporary trajectories.</p>	<p><b>From EC to EU</b></p> <p>This session will give an overview over the political development of the integration process from the 1990s until today. A closer look will be taken at the emergence of a European political identity.</p>	
Wed, 7	<p><b>The institutions of the EU and legislation</b></p> <p>Although the Lisbon Treaty introduced the so called ‘ordinary legislative procedure’, decision-making procedures vary across policy areas. This session deals with the different decision-making procedures in the EU and the role of EU institutions therein.</p>	<p><b>Methodology and Academic Writing</b></p> <p>In this special session, we will discuss requirements of academic writing, the structuring of essays and presentation, literature research and citation styles and so on. In this context, we will also have the opportunity to discuss possible topics for the required essay.</p>	
Thu, 8	<p><b>The European Economic and Monetary Union</b></p> <p>This session will discuss one of the major economic projects of the European integration: the creation of the common currency. The economic and political reasons behind this project will be explained and discussed.</p>	<p><b>The Euro Crisis</b></p> <p>After years of banking- and sovereign-debt crisis the financial markets seem to regain confidence in the Eurozone’s economy. In this session we will discuss the EU’s management of the Eurocrisis and analyse how it has changed the political, economic and social balance of the EU.</p>	
Fri, 9	<p><b>The Single Market</b></p> <p>This session will discuss two of the major economic projects of the European integration: the creation of the single market and the common currency. The economic and political reasons behind these projects will be explained and discussed – especially with regard to the financial market crisis.</p>	<p><b>Migration and asylum policy: refugee crisis</b></p> <p>As one of the biggest issues at the moment, the EU is struggling to develop a common policy on migration. This session explores the main obstacles and chances of a European approach to asylum policies and also addresses structural causes of migration in a global context.</p>	
Sat, 10			
Sun, 11	<b>Trip to Neuschwanstein Castle</b>		

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Mon, 12	<p><b>External trade and development policies</b></p> <p>The EU is the biggest donor of development aid worldwide and a heavy weight in international trade. This session will discuss the functioning of European development cooperation and external trade policy and their impact on different regions of the world. A closer look will be taken on the EU's within the UN development complex.</p>	<p><b>The EU's Climate Policy</b></p> <p>In its fight against climate change the EU is committed to reducing its overall greenhouse gas emissions to at least 20% below 1990 levels by 2020. In this session we will analyse how the EU tries to reconcile its energy security with its ambitious climate policy and place the EU's policy within the context of the international climate change regime.</p>	
Tue, 13	<p><b>The EU's Common Foreign and Security Policy</b></p> <p>This session will look at the emergence of a European foreign policy from the 1970s onward and discuss the main determinants of the EU's international role. We will pay particular attention to the Security and Defence policy as well as the EU's Security Strategy.</p>	<p><b>The EU's Counterterrorism Policy</b></p> <p>Since the 9/11 terrorist attacks and the Madrid bombings in March 2004, combating terrorism has become a European topic. The attacks of Paris on Nov. 13, 2015 reinforced the joint threat perception. During this session, the development of a common European approach as well as problems and difficulties will be analysed.</p>	
Wed, 14	<b>Departure to Vienna</b>		
Thu, 15	<p><b>Austria and the CEE member states in the European Union</b></p> <p>The rationale of Austria's foreign policy has since it's membership to the European Union been to foster the integration of the Central and Eastern European countries. However, in light of recent events euroscepticism is on the rise in the CEE member countries and also a growing number of politicians in Austria are questioning the benefits of the EU. We will analyse the historical relationships in the region and the reasons for the rise of populism in these countries.</p>	<p><b>Case study: A strategy for the Danube region</b></p> <p>The European union Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR) is the second macro-regional strategy proposed and implemented by the European Commission. In this session we will discuss the benefits and challenges of regionalisation and if the Danube can function as a new narrative - the second river - for European Integration.</p>	
Fri, 16	<p><b>European Neighbourhood Policy and EU-Russia relations</b></p> <p>European Neighbourhood Policy and especially it's Eastern dimension - the Eastern Partnership - are a cornerstone of the EU's foreign policy. We will analyse the concepts and tools especially towards the countries Moldova and Ukraine and put the findings into the wider perspective of EU-Russia relations.</p>	<p><b>Transport policy</b></p> <p>Transport is the backbone of Europe's economy. Starting with the EEC, transportation and infrastructure has been one of the most important areas of European integration. We will have a look at the different policies concerning road, rail, air and sea as well as the environmental aspects involved.</p>	
Sat, 17	<b>Departure to Munich</b>		
Sun, 18			

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Mon, 19	<p><b>The political economy of European welfare states</b></p> <p>This session aims to apply concepts of economics and political economy to social policies in European welfare states. We will establish the theoretical context and discuss European experience in the context of broader international experience. The session places particular emphasis on social policy legislation and coordination on the European level and its potential as well as limits.</p>	<p><b>Labour Markets and the Political Economy of Employment in Europe</b></p> <p>Topics such as minimum wages, unions and collective bargaining, unemployment benefits, employment protection legislation, regulation of working hours, migration, and others are core issues of labour market regulation. This session will discuss these issues in the context of processes of integration and coordination of EU policies and institutions.</p>	
Tue, 20	<p><b>Europeanization: Concept, Theory and Method</b></p> <p>This session will provide an introduction to the concept of and theories on Europeanization: in how far to EU rules change national political systems?</p>	<p><b>Europeanization and national institutions</b></p> <p>Europeanization means widening and deepening EU rules across Europe. How does this challenge nation states? This session will focus on the interplay between EU and national institutions.</p>	
Wed, 21	<p><b>A Europe of the Regions</b></p> <p>In some of Europe's member states political autonomy and cultural identity are traditionally linked to the region. On EU level this is taken into account with the concept of "A Europe of the Regions" as well as the principle of subsidiarity. This session will discuss what role the regions actually play in European politics.</p>	<p><b>Public Opinion and the Rise of Euroscepticism</b></p> <p>Populist movements have risen all across the EU, mostly to the disadvantage of pro-European parties. How does the EU face those shifts in public opinion? Are Euroscepticism and nationalism a real threat to the EU?</p>	
Thu, 22	<p><b>Democratic backsliding in the EU</b></p> <p>The EU's conditionality approach in enlargement negotiations was said to be a decisive factor in democratizing Eastern European Member States to the EU. Yet, we observe that some of these states experience a development that is called 'democratic backsliding' in the literature. We will discuss this development in this session.</p>	<p><b>The Role of Crisis in the EU integration process</b></p> <p>What is the role of crises in the European integration process? Do "productive" crises help the European integration process by resolving blockages or do "destructive" crises provoke political discontent and start a downward spiral? This session looks at the historical development of the integration process and the role of crises and discusses current challenges.</p>	
Fri, 23	<b>Day off</b>		
Sat, 24			
Sun, 25			

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Mon, 26	<b>Presentations of students' essays Part 1</b>		
Tue, 27	<b>Trip to the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, Salzburg</b>		
Wed, 28	<b>Presentations of students' essays Part 2</b>	<b>Wrap-up Session</b>  Europe faces many political, economic, and societal challenges. In this session we will speak about what Europe is affected by and which solutions could be the right ones – institutionally but also with regard to certain policies.	
Thu, 29	<b>Departure from Munich</b>		