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2013-2014

## M.A. Degree in Economics of Globalisation and European Integration

### AN ERASMUS MUNDUS MASTER'S COURSE



## GENERAL PHILOSOPHY

This master's degree programme in economics is essentially geared to students interested in careers in research, in government and international organisations, and in the research and strategy departments of large banks and industrial and commercial corporations.

## PARTNERS

The programme is organised by a consortium of nine partner universities:

- Universiteit Antwerpen, Antwerp, Belgium
- Università degli Studi di Bari 'Aldo Moro', Bari, Italy
- Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussels, Belgium
- Universidad de Cantabria, Santander, Spain
- Université Lille 1, Sciences et Technologies, France
- Vysoká škola ekonomická v Praze, Czech Republic
- Staffordshire University, Stoke-on-Trent, UK
- Xiamen University, Xiamen, P.R. China
- Universidade de Brasília, Brasília DF, Brazil.

## DIPLOMA

Upon successful completion of the programme, students earn the M.A. degree *Economics of Globalisation and European Integration*.

The diplomas are awarded jointly by all the partners of the consortium and signed by the Rector, President or Vice-Chancellor of each partner university.

In 2012 the M.A. was again selected by the European Commission as an Erasmus Mundus Master's Course. The programme starts operating as such from the academic year 2013-2014 onwards.

## STRUCTURE OF THE PROGRAMME

The master's programme has a workload of 60 ECTS credits, with a taught part consisting of 45 credits and a dissertation of 15 credits. The study programme is full-time and runs over 12 months. It is taught by staff of the nine partner institutions. During the year students move as a group to three different universities in three different countries.



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## TIME SCHEDULE

### First term at Xiamen University, Wang Yanan Institute for Studies in Economics (P.R. China): classes from 16 September to 20 December 2013

- Advanced Microeconomics (6 credits)
- Advanced Macroeconomics (6 credits)
- Applied Econometrics (6 credits)
- 'Advanced subjects' optional course: (5 credits)
  - The Economy of China
- 'Skills' optional courses: (2 credits)
  - Mathematics for Economists
  - Chinese Language

### Second term at Universiteit Antwerpen & Vrije Universiteit Brussel (Belgium): examinations and classes from 6 January to 4 April 2014

- Economics of European Integration (6 credits)
- Open Economy Macroeconomics (4 credits)
- Economics of Globalisation (4 credits)
- 'Advanced subjects' optional course: (5 credits)
  - Special Topics in Applied Econometrics
- 'Skills' optional courses: (2 credits)
  - Dutch Language
  - Academic Writing

### Third term at Università degli Studi di Bari 'Aldo Moro' (Italy): examinations and classes from 21 April to 28 June 2014

- International Trade: Theory and Policy (6 credits)
- 'Advanced subjects' optional courses: (5 credits)
  - Special Topics in International Finance
  - Special Topics in International Trade
  - Economics of Regulation
- 'Skills' optional course: (2 credits)
  - Italian Language

Students must choose one subject from the list of 'advanced subjects' optional courses and one subject from the list of 'skills' optional courses. They may, however, choose more than one optional course from each list. For the calculation of the overall GPA, only the best marks from each list will be used.

Students finalise their dissertation during the summer. The deadline for submission is 30 September 2014. During the second term they have to hand in a dissertation brief, on which they receive feedback in the 'Academic Writing' optional course.

## ADMISSION CRITERIA AND ENROLMENT PROCEDURE

The programme is open to students who have earned 240 ECTS credits in an economics or applied economics university study programme, or who have a bachelor's degree considered equivalent by the Joint Studies Board. Applicants enrolled in the final year of their academic programme should submit an official letter in English from their university confirming that they are expected to finalise their course at the end of the current academic year, and submit up-to-date authenticated transcripts of results for each year of study.

The proficiency in English of students who have studied at one of the partner universities is checked by the local academic coordinator. Students from other universities should submit proof of an internet-based TOEFL level of minimum 90 (or its equivalent in another TOEFL score system), or an IELTS grade of at least 6.5, or submit proof of having studied at least one academic year in an English-language programme.

The selection criteria are common to all students and primarily relate to study results.

All candidates must complete and submit the on-line application form. The application deadline is **31 May 2013**. For those who want to apply for an Erasmus Mundus scholarship the deadline is **31 December 2012**.

## FINANCIAL ASPECTS

The tuition fee is 3,300 euros for European students and 7,000 euros for non-European students.

Two types of Erasmus Mundus (EM) student scholarships are available. Non-European students can apply for a 'Type A' EM scholarship, while European students can apply for a 'Type B' EM scholarship. For more information, please consult the Erasmus Mundus webpages. European students may be eligible for an Erasmus Student Mobility grant.

Non-scholarship students enrol at one of the partner universities. EM scholarship students must enrol at Universiteit Antwerpen.

A limited number of tuition discounts are available for non-scholarship students from developing countries on the basis of academic merit. For more information, please consult the EGEI website.

In addition to tuition fees, students should also budget for travel, accommodation, food and study materials.