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The College of Europe

Presentation

The College of Europe is a **non-profit organisation** supported by the European Union (EU) and by each of its Member States. Established in Bruges (Belgium), it has the status of a *foundation of public utility* according to Belgian law.

History

The College of Europe was founded in 1948 and opened in 1949 as the world's first university institute of postgraduate studies in European affairs. Being ahead of its times, in 1993 the College of Europe contributed to the reunification of a divided Europe by establishing a second campus in Natolin (Warsaw, Poland), which advanced the changes and transformations that countries in Central and Eastern Europe would undertake in the following years.

Mission

Operating as 'One College – two campuses', the College of Europe is a **centre of academic excellence preparing individuals to work and live in an international environment** and to contribute to the functioning and progress of an increasingly interdependent international society, **promoting dialogue and mutual understanding**.

Studies

To accomplish its mission, the College of Europe offers **five different bilingual (English and French)** one-year master's programmes on European affairs, and has recently launched a two-year joint degree on transatlantic affairs with the Fletcher School in the US. The courses offered at the College have closely followed the **evolution of European integration** and the **progressive specialisation** of those working in this field.

The College has focused on the more specialised technical problems resulting from the successive European treaties. In this way, the College has reacted to each progressive stage in Europe's integration by adapting its courses and activities, at all times ensuring the same quality and standards, in order for its graduates to be able to meet the challenges of their time. Relevant examples of courses include:

- Reforming National Administrations : The Future of the National Public Sector in the EU
- How to Make it Work ? Capacity for the Implementation of European Policies across Member State Public Administrations
- Dynamics and Constraints of Multi-level Governance: Policies, Procedures and Power
- EU Decision-making COREPER Negotiations
- EU Institutions and Decision-making
- European Economic Integration
- The EU Structural and Investment Policies
- EU Legal Order
- EU Substantive Law: The four freedoms
- EU Enlargement ... and UK Withdrawal
- The Political Economy of European Integration



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Faculty members

The academic excellence of the College of Europe is ensured by its **“flying faculty”**, a wide network of more than 175 visiting professors coming from different institutions around the world that are carefully selected to meet the needs of the academic departments. This allows the College to systematically adapt its courses and activities, **following trends and evolutions at European and global level**. This results in the fact that more than 175 experts visit the College to deliver their courses as ‘visiting professors’.

More information: <https://www.coleurope.eu/>

The Development Office of the College of Europe

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The Development Office of the College of Europe is the department in charge of developing and managing the College of Europe’s **professional training, projects** and partnerships.

History & Mission

Established in 1996, the Development Office is the **interface for partners of the College of Europe**, both public and private and it can be considered as its **executive training and expertise centre**. It offers a dynamic and flexible structure for developing and co-ordinating projects and activities related to the areas of academic expertise of the College.

The Development Office is the external face of the College of Europe when:

- organising executive training and tailored courses on European affairs in various topics and areas of expertise for professionals;
- writing project proposals and implementing awarded contracts;
- providing managerial and administrative support to the experts working under different services, research and training contracts.

Portfolio

The Development Office’s portfolio includes:

Professional Training

- ✓ Executive Education
(12 Open-for-registration courses)
- ✓ Tailor-made courses (on demand)
- ✓ E-learning modules

Projects

- ✓ Contract Services
- ✓ Academic Cooperation
- ✓ Research



Added value

The Development Office of the College of Europe offers:

- expertise on a **very wide range** of requests **in a short and flexible way**;
- a thorough and careful selection of experts and regular assessments to ensure the **best match** for each of the services requested;
- a dynamic and flexible structure, composed of a **multinational team** of professionals with experience on EU affairs and EU project management (including EU-funded framework contracts);
- close cooperation with the '**network of excellence**' of the College of Europe, composed of renowned professors and highly-experienced professionals worldwide;
- access to the **extensive network of Alumni** (more than 12,500), current practitioners and experts on EU Affairs;
- increased **visibility of the implemented courses and projects' activities** via its in-house communications team.

Key facts and figures on our activities in 2016

- 14 full-time members of staff
- **242 training sessions** - a total of over 594 training days and more than 3100 participants
- 21 events - 1120 participants
- **52 projects**
- Services delivered in **14 languages**
- Activities carried out in **33 countries**

More information : <https://www.coleurope.eu/about-college/development-office>

Scope of services offered

The College of Europe Development Office provides professional services for and in cooperation with individuals, universities, public bodies, private companies and non-governmental organisations all over the world.

PROJECTS

Contract services

The Development Office manages a wide range of services and contracts covering **training, communication, academic research, legal analysis and consultancy activities**. The projects are often set up in the framework of a call for tender procedure issued by international organisations or national or regional administrations. Project we implemented include:

- Final Seminar : supporting excellence and leadership in governance (Fellowship Programme for young government officials from the Western Balkans) 2014-2015
- Southeast Europe and the EU – Leadership development programme (LDP) – 2006-2013
- Training and consultancy services – Staff of the EU institutions, bodies and agencies



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- The EU functioning and policy-making, focus on Justice and Home Affairs
- ENPI Regional Project: “Preparing staff for EU-ENP related jobs”
- Support to the EU Integration Process – Albania government officials
- Training courses on IPA II for Turkish Authorities
- Training Modules on the European Union for IGPDE (l'Institut de la gestion publique et du développement économique)

Through this experience, the Development Office has built upon its network of experts and has developed a stronger understanding of certain beneficiary countries.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Executive Education

Given the importance of continuous professional and personal development, the College of Europe offers **12 Executive Education** courses to address the needs of officials, diplomats, lawyers and other public and private sector professionals. Running **yearly in summer and autumn in Bruges and/or Brussels**, these courses cover selected topics and skills in order to equip the participants with the necessary know-how to enhance their careers. The variety of training courses allows for different levels of specialisation, also depending on the prior-knowledge of the participants. Relevant examples include:

- Negotiations in Practice
- Intensive Seminar on the EU - Classic, Advanced or Compact programmes
- EU Transport & Railway Affairs (ETCR)
- Trade Policy

Tailor-made courses

The Development Office designs and organises seminars and professional training courses targeted at public officials, diplomats, private sector professionals and decision makers, as well as, staff of civil society organisations. The added value of these events is that they are tailor-made following **an in-depth learning needs analysis** of a partner organisation, targeting its particular training needs and allowing for an extensive input in the programme by the beneficiary. The Development Office tries to ensure the highest training quality levels by inviting top level officials, academics and practitioners as trainers. Relevant examples include:

- Preparing Council of the EU working groups – Croatian civil servants
- Training for Croatian civil servants on the EU decision-making process
- Tailor-made course on EU Acquis Translation for Turkish Translators of the Ministry of EU Affairs
- Tailor-made course on Approximation to the EU Acquis for Andorran Government Officials
- Design, organisation and implementation of a tailored training course for Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Officials

E-learning

The e-learning modules are learner-centred and focused on usability. In less than 1 hour, they provide and interactive, dynamic and intuitive way of improving your knowledge of a given subject, from the basic concepts to a certain degree of specialisation. An e-learning module includes an audio-video instruction by the trainer, texts, visuals, animations and explorations, as well as case studies and preliminary and final tests. The topics covered are the following: **Competition Law | WTO Law | EU Delegations | Migration | Legal Aspects of EU External Relations | EU in Multilateral Fora | Development & Cooperation**

Academic Cooperation

The Development Office sets up academic co-operation projects with a wide range of **international partners**. This usually includes the creation of a consortium with companies or other academic institutions in the framework of a **call for tender**.



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Content-wise these projects cover the fields of academic expertise of the College of Europe as well as specific academic management skills. Depending on the type of programme under which they are funded, the co-operation initiatives can vary greatly in scope.

Research Projects

The scale of research activity at the College of Europe is substantial, involving not only the Academic Departments but also its Development Office. The Development Office is committed to achieving excellence in its research activities and projects, and to ensuring that our research contributes somehow to the evolution and welfare of society.

Our aim is to provide academic leadership in the areas of expertise of the College of Europe and to develop strategic partnerships **with academia and industry** around the world to advance research.