

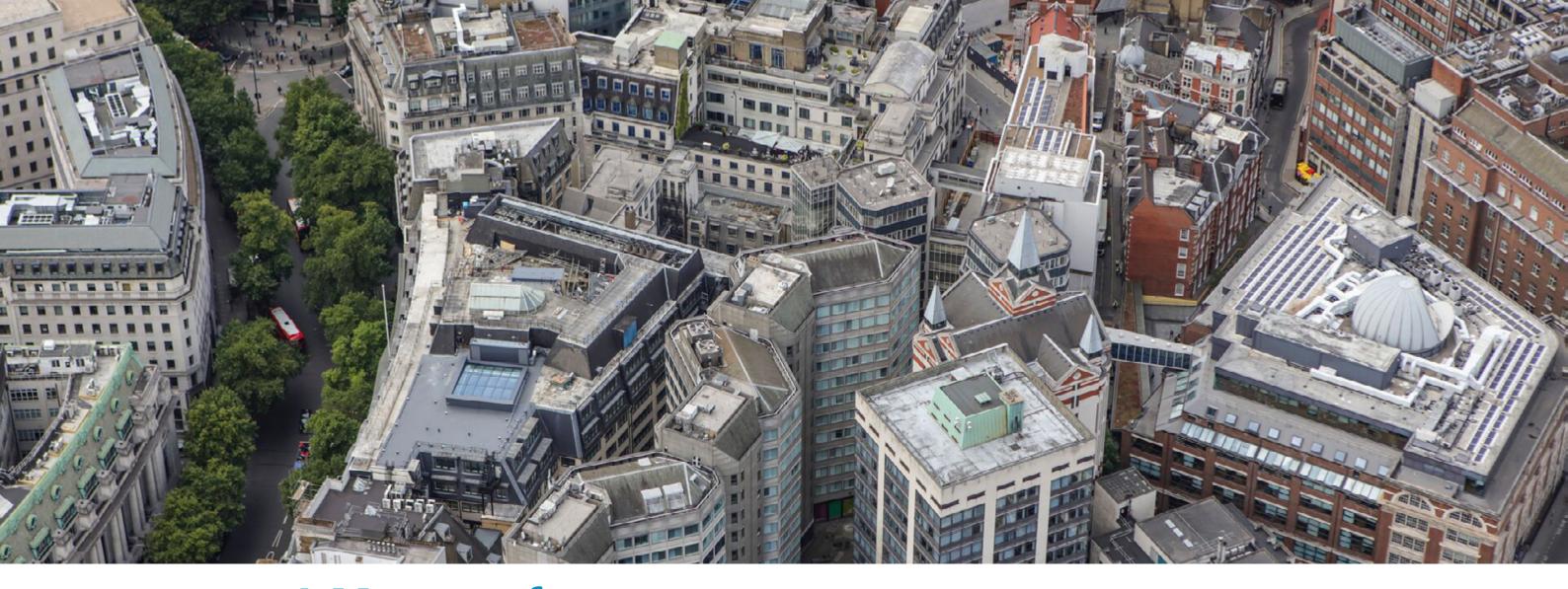
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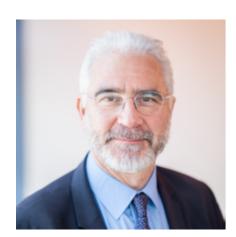


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## A Message from the Head of the European Institute



Simon Glendinning Head of the European Institute Professor of European Philosophy

When the European Institute began its life in 1991, the Iron Curtain was lifting, and European supranational politics was intensifying. The rise of the emerging European Union was as momentous as the fall of the Soviet empire. The European Institute kept pace with these changes and has continued to do so in relation to events which have transformed Europe since then: the Euro crisis, the migration crisis, the rise of populism, ongoing pressures of financial globalisation, Brexit, Covid, climate change, global environmental spoliation, and today, with the war in Ukraine convulsing the political

landscape, we see the dramatic return of geopolitics – with a conflict in Europe at its heart.

These are all matters for academic analysis and investigation. Indeed, alongside our teaching offerings and the research streams connected to them, the European Institute has developed unique research strengths through its specialist research units, which have contributed enormously to our outreach and public events programmes too.

We are committed not only to thinking about Europe in a

traditionally academic way but also in a public way. It is no accident that we have the biggest public events programme of any department at the LSE. Outreach is a particular and distinctive strength of ours. While we are not a think-tank, we always have something to say about public affairs and policy implication. The European Institute has opened a unique space in which the best thinkers and the most influential policy makers can meet and talk about European affairs in an international context. It's quite a world we're living in - and we're still working on it.



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## **El Mission & Strategy**



The European Institute has two strap lines which summarise our central ambitions. The first of these, "Study Europe – Understand the World", highlights that there is always an international or global context internal to what takes place in Europe. This does not imply that one can understand the world by studying one little corner of it – but that an adequate engagement with the culture, politics and economics of that little corner will inevitably draw in an understanding of international and global processes.

One way of understanding that, and a way that shows the link with our second strap line, "Europe Beyond Eurocentrism", is that the nation states of Europe have never been exclusively nation states anyway: they have all been (or have been entangled with) states that are empire states, and as such they have traded with, fought against, dominated and remain even today still deeply engaged with non-European territories.

We believe that studying Europe in isolation is not really to study Europe at all. Indeed, globalisation is an historical development that has always been caught up in processes of the world-wide-isation of the cultural, political and economic world that had its origins in Europe. Europe is the birthplace of the welfare state, social democracy, inter-state integration, and much more; and it continues to shape developments globally, from political-economic-social transitions in its neighbourhood (or further afield, via trade agreements)

to developments and policies with regard to climate change, energy transitions, disaster prevention, intellectual property rights, and of course universal human rights. One understands little about the world if one ignores Europe's involvement in patterns of globalisation. Conversely, one understands little about the European world if one ignores its historical tendency towards globalisation – or "mondialisation", to put it in the language that first conceived the phenomenon.

The European Institute strives to carry our interests in Europe in a direction that Europe itself has always done: in a direction beyond itself. When we take an interest in Europe we always do so with an eye to Europe's position in the wider world.

As an institute our unity derives from the singularity of our focus on Europe – and, in view of that focus, our commitment to methodological pluralism. An intellectually satisfactory focus on Europe in its internal complexity requires that methodological diversity. We are not quite a department of 'European PPE', but we are something like that, call it 'European CPE': exploring the Culture, Politics and Economics of Europe is close to the heart of everything we do. It's by having a department centred on a broad concept of 'Europe' as our focus that one ends up with a uniquely pluralist environment, protected from the methodological fads that can dominate disciplines at any particular time.

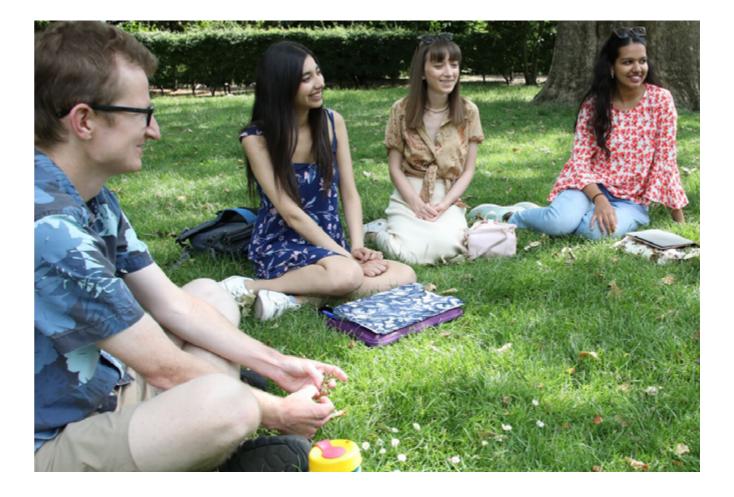
## **Our Community**

The European Institute is a community of scholars, administrative professionals, and an extensive network of alumni and policy professionals, united by our dedication to teaching and research on Europe. Our strength lies in our collegiality, our open-minded approaches to learning, and our rich disciplinary diversity which spans the social sciences.

At the European Institute we are not limited by the geographical boundaries of one continent. We proudly represent individuals from across the globe, including Europe, the Americas, Asia, Africa, and the Middle East. We have over 60 members of staff across our faculty, professional services, and research, over 50 visiting scholars, and nearly 250 students, making us the largest centre for the study of Europe in Europe.

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Each year our community expands as we foster connections that span the globe. We are not merely an institute; we are a global network dedicated to understanding and shaping the future of Europe in an ever-evolving world.



## Research at the El

Researching Europe has rarely been more challenging or more important than it is today. War on the European continent, economic sanctions, energy insecurity and new patterns of migration are among the crises of the present that are reshaping Europe and its place in the world.

At the EI we seek to use these unfolding events as the springboard to the study of all things European. Consistent with our interdisciplinary status, our research is focused on cross-cutting themes. Colleagues in Political Economy examine such topics as the political economy of the eurozone, the green transition, social policy, labour markets, trade policy, the political economy of austerity, and the evolving welfare state. Those in Politics & Policy focus on power shifts in national and EU politics, geopolitical change, the health of democracy, the place of expertise in policy-making, and the intersection between crisis politics, populism and public opinion. In the Culture & Society stream, topics include the study of identity, gender politics,

sexual violence, conflict resolution, transitional justice, and the philosophy of peoplehood and belonging. The Migration stream studies the causes and economics of migration, the lived experiences of migrants, the policies of public authorities, and responses in society ranging from solidarity to xenophobia.

Highlights of recent EI research include the publication of several new books and a wealth of articles and chapters on our core themes. We have hosted research grants and fellowships from prestigious funders such as the European Research Council, the Leverhulme Foundation, and Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, covering such areas as post-conflict justice, climate change and democracy, and international migration. Colleagues have also won prizes for their work, and have delivered keynote lectures and invited to seminars at high-profile institutions around the world.



HERE IS
A SELECTION
OF WHAT
WE HAVE
PUBLISHED
MOST
RECENTLY

#### **Political Economy**

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Hancké, Bob, Toon Van Overbeke and Dustin Voss (2022), 'Crisis and complementarities: a comparative political economy of economic policies after COVID-19', *Perspectives on Politics* 20(2).

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#### Politics & Policy

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Zaun, Natascha, Martin Leroch and Eiko Thielemann (2023), 'Why courts are the life buoys of migrant rights: anti-immigrant pressure, variation in judicial independence, and asylum recognition rates', *Journal of European Public Policy*.

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## **Our Research Centres**





The Hellenic Observatory (HO) was established in October 1996 with the creation of the Eleftherios Venizelos Chair of Contemporary Greek Studies. It was the first chair of its kind outside Greece and is funded by a generous endowment of major Greek banks, firms and public institutions. Its purpose is to promote the study of contemporary Greece and Cyprus by creating a framework for teaching,

research training and research in the area of the social sciences.

In November 2022, the Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic, Kyriakos Misotakis, visited the HO and delivered a public lecture on the economic and geopolitical challenges Greece and Europe are facing.

http://lse.ac.uk/ho





LSE Research on South Eastern Europe (LSEE) was established in 2009 to develop the School's existing expertise on South Eastern Europe and to further promote the study of the region by providing a platform for high quality, independent research and public dialogue. Research at LSEE is centred around three thematic areas: social policy and labour markets; European integration, macroeconomic policy and institutional reform; and international relations and security.

LSEE co-organised the second Workshop on the Comparative Economics of South Eastern Europe between 30th – 31st March 2023 at the University of Belgrade. This event focused on the investment in economic and social infrastructure in the region.

http://lse.ac.uk/lsee



The Contemporary Turkish Studies unit was founded in 2007 and focuses on culture, religion, politics and memory in Turkey and among Turkey's diasporic populations. It seeks to promote a deeper understanding of Turkey with an emphasis on its diversity, its relationship with Europe, and on its connections to the wider world. To mark the centenary of the Turkish Republic, CTS organised the Turkish Week in March 2023 and put together 8 events, consisting of public lectures, research workshops, a concert and a photography exhibition

https://www.lse.ac.uk/turkish





The Conflict, Justice and Peace platform (CJP) embraces the multidisciplinary nature of research on conflict, justice and peace conducted by academics, graduate students and post-doctoral fellows at LSE. The platform fosters integration, linkages and the exchange of ideas among LSE's researchers in diverse disciplines, and specialists on different global regions. By facilitating an inter-disciplinary dialogue, CJP promotes a deep understanding of the complexities of war, justice and peace, and seeks to engage with practitioners and contribute to policy-making.

http://lse.ac.uk/cjp

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## **Educating for Global Impact**

At the European Institute, we have a comprehensive approach to teaching and learning and believe that it can take place both within and beyond the classroom. Our students are at the heart of everything we do, and our dedicated academic staff strive to provide one-on-one mentorship, supporting our students through their academic journeys from the first day of welcome week to their graduation ceremonies.

The El Staff Student Liaison Committee meet regularly to connect the professional and academic staff with students and to gain insight on students' learning experiences and needs. By keeping our doors and inboxes available for questions and feedback, and collaborating with university-wide colleagues, our teaching methodologies remain in accordance with the newest developments in society, pedagogy and technology, all the while keeping student experiences at the heart of our teaching activities.

The European Institute builds on LSE's commitment to connecting theory with empirical research and practical policy applications. In classrooms and seminars, we strive to create an inclusive and intellectual environment, where students are encouraged to read widely, to take the lead in

engaging with and challenging a variety of topics, and to undertake professional skills training and independent empirical research that engages with Europe and their specialisations.

Our multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary programmes, as well as our diverse cohort, become a real asset to facilitate interactive learning, creating an environment where students can contribute to each other's knowledge through their current studies, previous degrees and personal experiences. Course convenors and tutors bring their own research expertise to the table, but we eagerly embrace the chance for our students to expand our horizons as well. In turn, we build a strong future for our students whatever their career goals and aspirations may be.

Our MSc programmes embody our commitment to fostering a deep understanding of global dynamics, critical thinking skills, and a broader perspective to address pressing global challenges. With an emphasis on interdisciplinary exploration, rigorous research, and analytical thinking, our programmes empower graduates to navigate complexities and contribute to shaping the trajectory of Europe and the wider world



## Our MSc Programmes

Guided by leading academics and policy experts, this programme provides a nuanced understanding of the intricate interactions between markets, states, and the process of European integration and their far-reaching implications. Core courses delve into foundational concepts of political economy, while specialized modules explore topics such as monetary integration, welfare states, finance, and global trade.

MSc Political Economy of Europe

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### MSc Culture and Conflict in a Global Europe

Embracing a multi- and inter-disciplinary approach, this programme delves into the nexus of politics, culture, identity, and international relations. Through in-depth analyses of policies and their impact, students investigate how culture shapes conflicts and contributes to their resolution. Tailored with a diverse range of optional courses, the programme enables students to focus on their areas of interest, preparing them to contribute to the evolving landscape of culture and conflict studies.

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This programme engages with critical governance challenges at the domestic, European/EU, and international levels. With access to an extensive array of over 40 courses, students benefit from insights shared by a concentration of experts in European government, politics, and public policy. The curriculum equips students with advanced policy knowledge, research skills, and professional development, positioning them for impactful careers in governmental, private, or non-governmental sectors.

MSc European and International Public Policy

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MSc International
Migration
and Public Policy

Through a multidisciplinary curriculum, students unravel the complexities of policy responses to global migration beyond common myths and controversies. This programme delves into policy responses at both national and international levels, including the influential role of supra-national bodies like the European Union. The LSE's proximity to policy-makers and international organizations, along with participation in esteemed lecture and seminar series, provides an enriching environment to deepen understanding and contribute to the evolution of global migration policy.

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## Exploring Pioneering Double Degree Programmes: Expanding Intellectual Horizons

At the LSE European Institute, our dedication to academic excellence and global collaboration is exemplified through our double degree programmes. These distinctive offerings, developed in collaboration with esteemed international institutions, provide students with an extraordinary avenue to explore complex global issues from a variety of perspectives. Our exceptional double degree opportunities, each carefully designed to equip students with a comprehensive grasp of vital subjects and cultivate their potential as future leaders in their chosen domains.



A partnership between Columbia University and the LSE, this programme presents a comprehensive examination of contemporary European politics, societies, economies, and cultures in the context of the global arena. The programme benefits from a multidisciplinary curriculum with an extensive selection of courses hosted by LSE and Columbia's European Institutes. Our students develop research, policy analysis, writing, and presentation skills under the guidance of experienced faculty members from both sides of the Atlantic, resulting in a well-rounded and internationally informed perspective on European affairs.

LSE-Columbia
Double Degree
in European
Politics, Conflict
and Culture

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LSE-Fudan Double Degree in the Global Political Economy of China and Europe In collaboration with Fudan University, this programme offers a distinctive opportunity to delve into the political and economic processes of both Europe and China within a global context. The first year of the programme delves into the Political Economy of Europe, before students tackle a Master of Management Science in Public Policy at Fudan University in Shanghai. This immersive experience equips students with insights into the intricate dynamics of global economies and political systems.

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This programme is a joint endeavour with Bocconi University, spanning two years and immerses students in the realm of European politics and policymaking on a global scale. Students begin their journey at Bocconi University in Milan, delving into politics and policy analysis, and continue to the European Institute at LSE for the MSc European and International Politics and Policy. Delivered by world-leading experts, this programme spans a wide spectrum of social science fields, allowing students to critically assess Europe's role in the world, and acquire comprehensive knowledge from two prestigious institutions.

LSE-Bocconi
Double Degree
in European
and International
Public Policy
and Politics

Click here to learn more

LSE-Sciences
Po Double Degree
in European Studies

A partnership with Sciences Po brings together exceptional students who are passionate about specializing in European studies. Students are immersed in a diverse and comprehensive curriculum encompassing culture, politics, economics, and the policies and institutions of the European Union. Facilitated by renowned experts with practical experience in policymaking, this programme offers a bilingual instruction option in Paris (French and English), further expanding students' intellectual horizons.

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## **Student Empowerment and Engagement**

At the European Institute, we believe in fostering a dynamic and inclusive learning environment that empowers students to excel academically, develop valuable skills, and grow as individuals. Our commitment to student engagement is at the core of our mission. We employ a multifaceted approach to ensure meaningful interactions and impactful experiences for all students that equips them with the skills, knowledge, and networks necessary to thrive in a rapidly changing global landscape.

## Interactive Workshops and Seminars

We understand that learning goes beyond traditional classrooms. We regularly host interactive workshops and seminars that cover a wide range of topics, from academic subjects to professional development. These events provide students with opportunities to engage in hands-on activities, ask questions, and collaborate with both peers and experts in their respective fields.

At the core of our engagement programme are EU450 Engaging with Europe: Professional Skills and The European Union in Practice: Politics and Power in the Brussels System.

#### EU450 Engaging with Europe: Professional Skills

EU450 Engaging with Europe: Professional Skills is a dynamic workshop series designed to equip students with essential tools for engaging with Europe and the EU following their studies at LSE. This series comprises a variety of independent workshops facilitated by industry practitioners, introducing various career pathways pursued by alumni and the corresponding professional skill sets required.

#### In 2022-2023, this included:

- o European Institute Applied Research Internship: Decolonising the Taught Curriculum
- o Europe Contemporary Issues: An Introduction to Political Risk Analysis
- o Using Evidence to Influence (EU) Policy: Developing a Successful Pitch to Policymakers
- o Political Advocacy with Dr Stephen Coulter

The EU450 Engaging with Europe: Professional Skills workshop series provides students with practical, applicable skills, enhancing their readiness for professional endeavours post-graduation, facilitating a seamless transition from academia to the professional world.



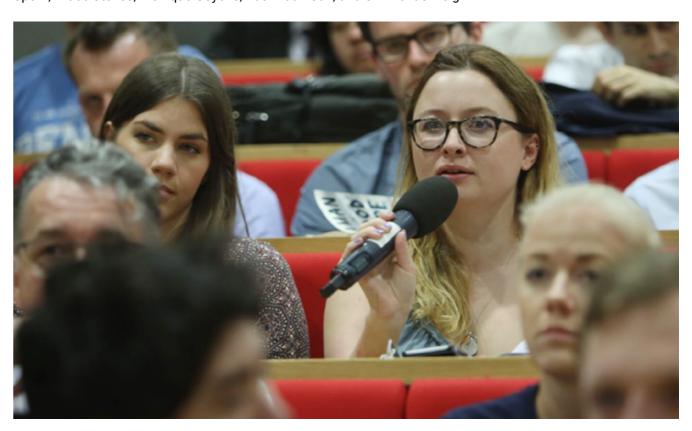
#### **EU** in Practice



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Co-chaired by two accomplished visiting professors at the European Institute, Anthony Teasdale and Dr Martin Westlake, the *European Union in Practice*: *Politics and Power in the Brussels System series* serves as a dynamic forum for understanding the inner workings and dynamics of the European Union on a broad array of topics, ranging from energy policy and referendums to climate justice and the aftermath of Brexit negotiations. These sessions inspire meaningful discussions and provide LSE staff and students with an unparalleled opportunity to gain insights from seasoned professionals.

In 2022-2023, the series welcomed a number of prominent speakers who have played pivotal role in shaping EU politics, including Helen Thompson, Baroness Julie Smith, Erik Jones, Heather Grabbe, Stefaan De Rynck, Richard Corbett, Desmond Dinan, Lord Neil Kinnock, Klaus Welle, Lorenzo Codogno, Sir Ivan Rogers, Kristina Spohr, Bruce Stokes, Monique Goyens, Paul Adamson, and Sir Michael Leigh.



## Opportunities to Engage Outside of the Classroom



Through a variety of carefully curated activities, we encourage students to engage with each other and our staff outside of the classroom, building lasting friendships, broadening perspectives, and enhancing personal growth. Ourinitiatives include:

- O The El Student Conference at Cumberland Lodge The annual El Student Conference offers students the opportunity to delve into topical issues and debates facing Europe. Open to around 80 students, the conference takes place over the course of three days and is held at Cumberland Lodge. Last year, our theme was 'Confluence of Crisis: Europe & Ukraine', featuring talks from several experts who explored various crises connected to the conflict, whether these be political, economic, or humanitarian.
- Spring Ball and End of Term Celebrations Our Spring Ball is a highlight of the social calendar, providing students with a glamorous evening of entertainment, dancing, and networking. It's a chance for students to dress up and celebrate their achievements and

- connections made throughout the year. We also host end-of-term celebrations that bring students together to commemorate their hard work, create lasting memories, and kick off welldeserved breaks.
- O Career Panels and Alumni Engagement We value the insights of our esteemed alumni, who serve as valuable resources for current students. Through career panels, alumni share their professional journeys, providing valuable advice, insights, and networking opportunities. These interactions bridge the gap between academia and the professional world, empowering students to make informed career choices.

A holistic education encompasses both academic excellence and personal enrichment. Our commitment to facilitating social engagement ensures that our students not only excel in their studies but also thrive as well-rounded individuals equipped with valuable experiences and relationships that extend far beyond graduation.

#### Feedback and Collaboration: Fostering a Collaborative Feedback Ecosystem

The active involvement and perspectives of our student community are at the heart of our commitment to continuous improvement. To this end, we have established a comprehensive feedback and collaboration framework that engages students in a dynamic dialogue, fostering a culture of openness, responsiveness, and positive change.

O Termly Staff-Student Liaison Committee Meetings: These meetings serve as dedicated platforms for students to voice their thoughts, concerns, and suggestions directly to our academic and administrative staff. The insights shared during these meetings are instrumental in shaping our strategic decisions and improving the student experience.

- O Surveys and Student Insights: To gather a comprehensive understanding of students' experiences and preferences, we conduct surveys on various topics related to their studies and overall university journey, drawing actionable insights that drive evidence-based changes and initiatives to meet student needs.
- O Face-to-Face Conversations for Personalized Engagement: These one-on-one interactions provide students with a platform to share their individual experiences, aspirations, and concerns as we gain a deeper understanding of the diverse challenges and opportunities that shape their journey.

As a result of this symbiotic partnership with our student community, we continually fine-tune our initiatives to ensure they remain aligned with the evolving needs and aspirations of our students. This dynamic feedback ecosystem stands as a testament to our commitment to a truly studentcantered approach, where collaboration and dialogue drive the evolution of the LSE European Institute as a thriving educational community.





## **Event Highlights**

The European Institute has one of the most active events programmes at the LSE, hosting over 20 public events a year and acting as a leading platform globally for informed public discussion on the history and identity of Europe, and the policy challenges confronting the EU and the UK.

#### Growth for Good:

reshaping capitalism to save humanity from climate catastrophe

#### Speaker: Alessio Terzi

Alessio Terzi, an Economist in the European Commision and Lecturer at HEC Paris and Sciences Po discusses his new book *Growth For Good* which deals with climate change and sustainable development. He draws a credible agenda to enrol capitalism in the fight to stave off climate catastrophe and details a plan involving an activist government, proactive business, and engaged citizens.



Watch the video / listen to the podcast.

## Global Trade Policy Challenges: preparing for the next decade

Speakers: Ignacio Garcia Bercero, Iana Dreyer, Crawford Falconer, Han-Koo Yeo, Geoffery Yu, John Alty.

The world economy is going through a phase of considerable instability and restructuring, from accelerating economic disintegration to the climate emergency and the focal shift towards Asia and Global south economies. How do policy-makers see these developments? And how can states position themselves to benefit rather than lose from today's phase of turmoil? This event brought together trade policy-makers and academics to discuss the challenges and policy strategies for the next decade.



Watch the video / listen to the podcast.

## Inside the Deal: how the EU got Brexit done

#### Speaker: Stefaan De Rynck

A close aide to Michel Barnier, Stefaan De Rynck had a ringside seat in the Brexit negotiations. In his book, *Inside the Deal*, which he discussed at this event De Rynck demonstrates how the EU-27's unity held firm while the UK vacillated throughout, changing negotiators, prime ministers, their aims and tactics. He gives an unvarnished account of the process and obstacles that shaped the final deal.



Watch the video / listen to the podcast.

#### Maurice Fraser Annual Lecture 2023: Ukraine, Europe and the Return of Geopolitics

#### Speaker: Klaus Welle

This academic year's Maurice Fraser Lecture featured Klaus Welle, who has served as Secretary General of the European Parliament, for the last 13 years, retiring in December 2022. He explored the origins and significance of Russia's war on Ukraine, its implications for and impacts on the European Union political system and Transatlantic relations, and how recent events fit into wider geo-political shifts and shocks that pose important choices for Europe.



Watch the video / listen to the podcast.



26 Events Conferences & Seminars

2 Exhibitions 22 Public Events

2387 Online (Zoom, Facebook Live, LSE Live, YouTube Live) **1837** In person

**4224**Audience



# The Beyond Eurocentrism Programme in the European Institute

At the European institute, one of our two straplines is 'Study Europe. Understand the World.', because the issues we face are not unique to our continent. The European Institute's Beyond Eurocentrism (BE) programme highlights existing and upcoming research, events, and activities that demonstrate our commitment to going beyond Eurocentrism in our study of the continent. This programme is made up of a variety of elements among them the public events series, student partnerships and the BE@El blog series.

The Public Events Series holds events on a wide range of themes that encourage an understanding of Europe that goes beyond Eurocentrism. A highlight from the 2022/23 events series was the all-day event titled; 'A Decolonial Moment in European and EU Studies' which featured a keynote address from Gurminder K Bhambra titled 'Towards a Decolonial Europe'. This event explored the connections between decolonial thinking and Europe, discussing the varieties of colonialisms that need to be addressed in European studies.

Additionally, the European Institute's world-leading multidisciplinary research on Europe often goes 'beyond Eurocentrism' in its approach and focus whether through taking a critical approach towards Eurocentric assumptions and engaging with other perspectives, or recognising the historic patterns of power and inequality between Europe and the non-European world. These core themes feature regularly in our master's programmes' taught curriculums and within MPhil/PhD research.

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Students, alumni and staff members alike are key contributors to the work of the department. Many choose to contribute to our BE@EI blog series, sharing what beyond eurocentrism means to them and their work. Additionally, there are a variety of 'beyond eurocentrism' themed student-led projects in the EI including research projects, blog posts, conferences, events, and contributions to our taught programmes.



## **Our Alumni**

The European Institute has an alumni community of almost 4,500 alumni; based not just in Europe, but all around the world. Not only do our alumni go on to do amazing things in their professional lives – shaping policy, battling inequality and climate change, and working at the highest levels of European lawmaking – but they also continue to shape and support our academic community even after graduation.

In the past academic year, we concluded our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations with a visit to Brussels, in which local alumni enjoyed an academic panel discussing *Democracy and Peace in a Global and Changing Europe*, as well as the opportunity to network and socialise afterwards. Our alumni also had various opportunities to get together both on campus and virtually. Over the course of the year, we enjoyed multiple networking drinks, open-house policy discussions, and reunions together.

In 2022-23 our alumni gave back so much of their time to our community, with 119 alumni volunteers giving back a grand total of 138 hours to the European Institute. The ways in which our alumni support the institute are incredibly varied from speaking at our ongoing career Q&A series, to making themselves available to answer student questions through our new Alumni Ambassadors initiative, and sharing their stories in an alumni profile – and we are so grateful for everything they do for us. We are very excited to be launching a new mentorship programme next year, in which alumni will be matched with students to provide them support and professional guidance, and we are thrilled to continue working with our amazing alumni community.





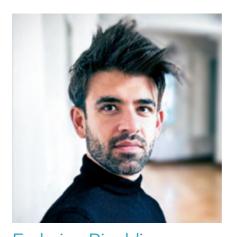


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## **Graduate Profiles**



Federico Rinaldi https://www.lse.ac.uk/europeaninstitute/alumni/Profiles/Federico-Rinaldi

Class of 2019, MSc Culture and Conflict

Federico is the Network Manager at the European Concert Hall Organisation

'Our current priorities include sustainability, diversity, equity and inclusion, ethics, and management in times of outrage. Working together - and not only in the cultural field - is even more necessary and impactful today: we certainly propose the most amazing concert seasons, but we also have a strong political agency, as shown by recent activism."



Arjeta Islami Muja https://www.lse.ac.uk/europeaninstitute/alumni/Profiles/Arjeta-Islami-Muja

Class of 2012, MSc European Political Economy

Arjeta is the Head of the European Integration Division at the Ministry of Industry, Entrepreneurship and Trade in the Government of the Republic of Kosovo

"Kosovo is aspiring to become a member of the European Union. To be able to play a part in national policy making and legislation, as well as experiencing the pride of contributing to Kosovo's accession to European Union, means a lot for my career development."



Pak Yin Choi https://www.lse.ac.uk/europeaninstitute/alumni/Profiles/Pak-Yin-Choi

Class of 2022, MSc European and International Public Policy

Pak Yin is an Early Careers Trainee for the 1t.org China Action at the World Economic Forum

"Today, as I continue my professional journey, I carry with me the invaluable insights gained from the El. The rationality instilled in me during my time at the El guides my work, particularly in the field of climate diplomacy. I strongly believe that trust-building is fundamental to successful climate cooperation."



## El Staff 2022/23

#### **European Institute Leadership**

#### **Professor Simon Glendinning**

Head of the European Insitute and Professor in European Philosophy

#### **Professor Jonathan White**

Deputy Head of Department and Programme Director for MSc Culture and Conflict in a Global Europe

#### **Carl-Ludwig Campbell**

European Institute Manager and Head of Professional Services Team

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Ralf Dahrendorf Professor of European Politics and Society

#### **Professor Nicholas Barr**

Professor in Public Economics

#### **Dr. Robert Basedow**

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Professorial Research Fellow

#### **Professor Paul de Grauwe**

John Paulson Chair in European Political Economy

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