



Prof. Giuliano Amato, former Italian Prime Minister at the 2006 Summer School

Teaching hours and credits:

The course will be held in English. Attendance is mandatory for the full duration of the course (30 hours). Thanks to the collaboration of the University of Rome Tor Vergata participants successfully completing the course can be awarded credit certification for an equivalent of 4 ECTS / 2 US credits.

Applicants profile:

The seminar is addressed to public officials (national, local, EU officials), diplomats, scholars, journalists, specializing students, lobbyists etc wishing to learn more about the special relation between Italy and the EU.

Costs and Grants:

The fee for the seminar is 450€. For Italian public officials the fee is waived thanks to the financial support of the *Scuola Superiore della Pubblica Amministrazione* (SSPA). Scholarships are also available for the best graduated students thanks to the support of the University of Rome Tor Vergata (please inquire). The fee comprises the course material – including the book *Italy and the EU* – a welcome cocktail; a networking cocktail with Italian officials in EU institutions and other relevant institutions in Brussels; visits to EU institutions, the final diploma. Admission results will be given on a rolling basis.

Accommodation:

All travel and local expenses are at the charge of participants. The Institute will be happy to assist with logistics (ex. hotel).

Deadline

The deadline for registration is 30th June 2012.

For further information and applications please contact :

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International Summer Seminar

ITALY AND THE EUROPEAN UNION

Bruxelles, 9th - 13th July 2012



*Permanent Representation of Italy
to the European Union*



Learning objectives and teaching methods

The purpose of this week-long summer seminar is provide an in-depth, comprehensive analysis of how Italy relates to the European Union. Participants will thus acquire an in depth knowledge of the whos and hows of Italy's action within the European Union.

The seminar will have a hands-on practical approach, alternating lectures with meetings with the top Italian and European public servants, diplomats and governmental actors. The teaching format will see the alternating of front teaching, round tables and visits to the EU institutions and the Italian Institutions in Bruxelles.

Content of the Classes

The seminar will focus on themes such as:

Actors and procedures (formal and informal): relevant variables in defining Italy's interests and national positions. How are national interests defined in Italy? Who are the relevant actors? What procedures are followed (formal and informal)? How are national positions defended?

Interests, aims and strategies. Which are Italy's main interests, aims and objectives in EU policymaking? How much have these changed over the years? Which are the strategies employed to pursue them?

Impact. What is the outcome of Italy's action in the EU? How has Italy's action affected "high" and "low" politics in the EU? What is the future of Italy in the European Union and in the EMU?

Among the classes / round tables that will take place:

- * *Italy's relations with the European Communities and Union in a historical prospective*
- * *The Italian national executive and European affairs* (different actors dealing with EU issues in the government; inter-ministerial and intra-ministerial coordination, etc.)
- * *The Italian Public Administration presence in Bruxelles*
- * *The Italian Parliament and European affairs*
- * *The Economic crises, the Euro and Southern Europe*
- * *The transposition of EU law into national law and its prospective of reforms*
- * *Italy in the European Parliament*
- * *Italians working for the EU Institutions: challenges and opportunities*
- * *The elaboration of the national positions to be promoted in the European Institutions*
- * *Key issues for Italy in EU negotiations today*
- * *The Italian Regions and the EU*
- * *The Italian Socio-economic interests in Bruxelles*
- * *The peculiarities of the Italian socio-economic system and the representation of Italian economic interests in Bruxelles*
- * *The EU Agencies and Regulatory Networks and Italy*
- * *Covering the EU: Italian media strategies in Brussels*

Speakers

The summer seminar is part of the Jean Monnet International summer seminars organized since 2004 by the University of Rome Tor Vergata, in the last 2 years in cooperation with the Italian National School of Public Administration (SSPA). Present and past speakers include, among others:

Giuliano Amato, David Andrews, Carlo Baldocci, Luciano Bardi, Taeho Bark, Enrique Baron Crespo, Rocco Cangelosi, Tom Casier, Piergiorgio Cherubini, Francesco Clementi, Maurizio Cotta, Marta Dassu', H.E. Jan De Bock, , Gilles de Kerkove, Marco Del Panta, Anna Diamantopoulou, Khalid Emara, Mark Entin, Sergio Fabbrini, Fabio Franchino, Franco Frattini, Massimo Gaiani, Fernando Gentilini, Sandro Gozi, Stefano Grassi, Simon Hix, Martin Holland, Ian Ifversen, Pierangelo Isernia, Joseph Joseph, Hussein Kassim, Amichai Magen, Giandomenico Magliano, Andrew Moravcsik, Philomena Murray, Ferdinando Nelli Feroci, Olessandro Ortis, Stefania Panebianco, John Peet, Joaquim Roy, Jeremy Shapiro, Jan Techau, Alfred Tovas, Giovanni Tria, Raffaele Trombetta, Amy Verdun, Luca Verzichelli, Antonio Vitorino.



Former EU Commissioner and Italian Foreign Minister, Franco Frattini and Prof. Federiga Bindi, Director IIC, at the 2008 Summer School

The scientific coordinator of the summer school is Professor Federiga Bindi, Director of the Italian Cultural Institute in Brussels. Prof. Bindi is a leading international expert on EU Institutions and decision making and is author, among others, of *Italy and the EU* (Brookings Press 2011), *The Foreign Policy of the European Union* (Brookings Press 2010, 2nd edition due in the spring 2012) and *The Frontiers of Europe. The Transatlantic Implications of an Enlarged Europe* (with Irina Angelescu, Brookings Press 2011).