

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Elective Course Open to the whole Faculty

Period 2

Academic Year 2022/2023

Extracurricular Course

Syllabus



CHANCE

Jean Monnet Chair in EU
Politics in a Changing Global
Context (CHANCE)

Migration and Development Dynamics: Patterns, Challenges and Policy Around the World



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Course Structure

1. Introduction, Presentation and Student Presentations (Thursday 24 November 2022, 18:00-20:00h)
2. Student Presentations (Friday 25 November 2022, 18:00-20:00h)
3. Student Presentations and Wrapping Up (Saturday 26 November 2022, 11:00-13:00h)

Approach

Students have to pick a country and deliver 15-minute presentations each. Topics covered in the presentation: 1) Politics, Economy, Demographics of the country 2) Development-related challenges, 3) Migration patterns, 4) National Policy and International (EU) Cooperation to address points 2 and 3.

Course Certificates will be issued to students who delivered a presentation and attended all three sessions.

About the Jean Monnet Chair

The Jean Monnet Chair in EU Politics in a Changing Global Context (CHANCE) is held by Dr. Giselle Bosse. The Chair aims to contribute to broadening the focus of European Studies at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASoS) by expanding course content and research lines dealing with the challenges and chances for the EU in a changing global context. Challenges include significant shifts in the global order and rising great powers, which defy established principles of liberal international order; new security threats such as hybrid and cyber warfare; climate change and major global technological change and innovation.

During the past decade, the changing global context has had a profound impact on all areas of EU international relations, which underlines the high relevance of integrating a global perspective in EU studies curricula and research. Moreover, the Covid-19 crisis has had economic, social, political and geopolitical consequences that will inevitably affect key aspects of EU international role, such as its relations with major powers, as well as several aspects of humanitarian aid, development and peacekeeping, and the fight against disinformation and cyber-attacks.

In this context, CHANCE aims to contribute to:

- strengthening research and teaching in the field of EU international relations at FASoS;
- consolidating and further developing research and teaching on the impact of a changing global context on EU politics and policies;
- supporting students and young scholars building their careers;
- increasing the visibility and relevance of FASoS research and teaching to academic and non-academic stakeholders at local, regional and national levels.

About Course Facilitator Niklas Mayer



Niklas Mayer designed and teaches the extracurricular course “EU International Relations and Climate Change”. He is research assistant to Dr. Giselle Bosse’s Jean Monnet Chair in EU Politics in a Changing Global Context (“Chance”). Niklas’ PhD research revolves around the impact of resilience-building projects on migration decisions in drought-affected areas. Prior to that, he obtained a Master’s degree in European Studies from the College of Europe and a Bachelor’s degree in International Relations from the Autonomous University of Madrid. He gained working experience in internships at the European Commission, the European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM), the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, the German Chamber of Commerce in Brazil, and the European Parliament.

About JM Chair Dr. Giselle Bosse



Dr Giselle Bosse is Associate Professor in EU External Relations, Jean Monnet Chair and Vice Dean Education at the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Maastricht University.

Her research focuses on EU policies in the post-Soviet area, the European Neighbourhood Policy and the Eastern Partnership, with a particular emphasis on the promotion and implementation of human rights norms, democracy and the rule of law. Her work also examines the influence of non-state actors on EU foreign policy, and the legitimacy of EU sanction regimes and military missions through the lenses of critical theory.

She was awarded a VENI Research Grant from the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) for her project on: 'Explaining Europe's failure to deal with autocratic regimes: Which actors make and break effective democracy promotion?' (2013-2016), an NWO ASPASIA Research Grant for her project on: 'Sending European citizens to the battlefield: Who decides on EU Security and Defence Operations?' (2018-2022) and an NWO grant for Refugee Scientist fellowships (HESTIA) in 2019. In 2020, she was awarded a Jean Monnet Chair in EU Politics in a Changing Global Context (CHANCE).