



MODEL EU VIRTUAL EDITION

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OUR HISTORY

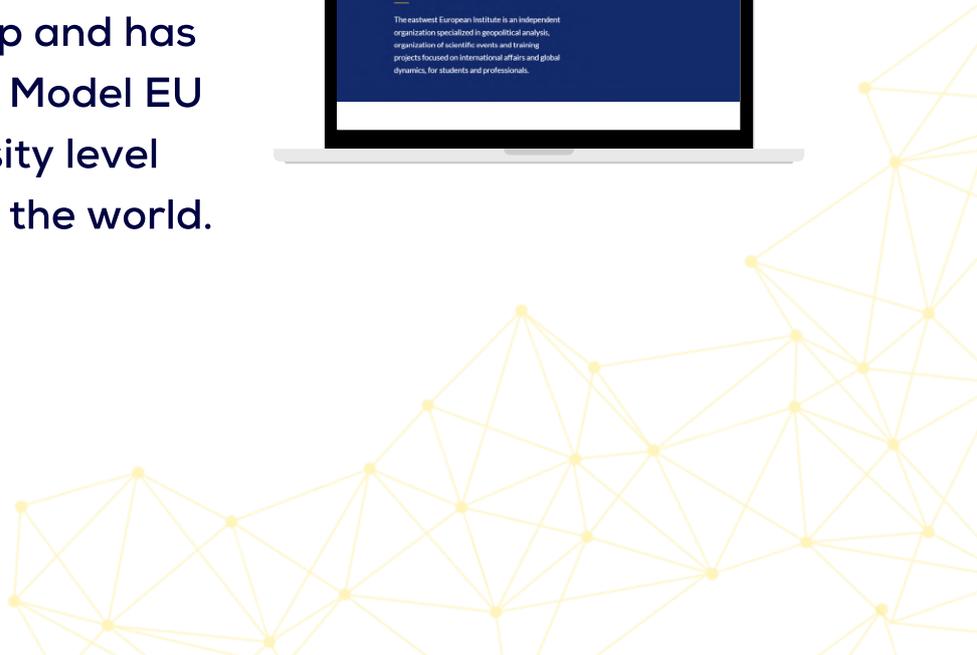
The Eastwest European Institute (EWEI) is an independent organization specialized in geopolitical research and analysis, organization of scientific events and training projects for students and professionals, with a focus on international affairs and global dynamics.

Our Scientific Committee provides guidelines for the activities of the Eastwest European Institute, through bi-monthly meetings. It is composed by leaders in the international political, economic and cultural world, such as: Romano Prodi, Joschka Fischer, Enrico Letta, Emma Bonino, and Javier Solana.



EWEI also produces and distributes the geopolitical magazine “eastwest”, since 2004 (www.eastwest.eu).

Now that the "COVID 19" health emergency is changing our lifestyle, the Eastwest European Institute does not stop and has built from scratch the Model EU available to university level students from all over the world.



WHO WE ARE

OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH ASSOCIAZIONI DIPLOMATICI

Associazione Diplomatici is an NGO with special consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council. From 2000 to-date, it has prepared +30.000 students from all over the world on current issues and international careers who then took part in international forums organized by AD at the United Nations or in other institutional scenarios in Italy and abroad.

The aim of Associazione Diplomatici is to let young people to focus themselves in defense of the values of democracy studying and simulating the works of the great international organizations, understanding the meaning of respect, tolerance and coexistence between citizens of the world of different culture, faith or ethnicity. Additionally, training themselves in side skills for the world of global work.



From politicians like **Bill Clinton**, **Enrico Letta**, **Angelino Alfano** and **Romano Prodi**, to the sportsmen like **Marco Tardelli**, **Michel Platini**, **Carlo Ancelotti**, **Bebe Vio**, **Andrea Pirlo** and **Tania Cagnotto**.

From representatives of the world of culture and science such as **Ilaria Capua**, **Francesco De Gregori** and **Mario Martone** to international guests such as **Boris Tadic**, **Mahmud Gibril Elwarfally**, **Joschka Fischer**. These are just some of the guests who have been honoring us - year after year - with their participation at our events.





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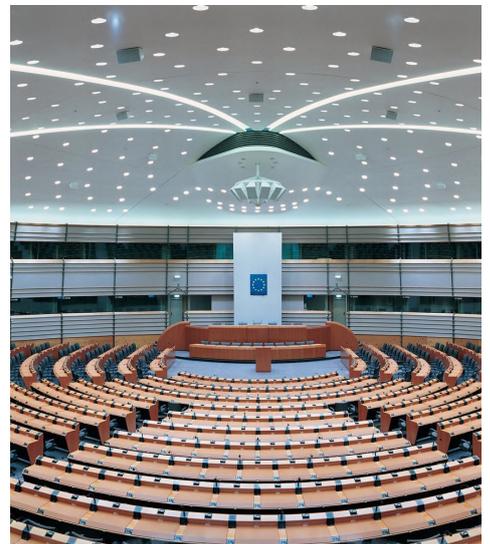
A TAILOR-MADE EU COURSE TO GAIN EXPERT SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE ON EU POLITICS

The EWEI Intensive Training in EU Affairs is an encompassing, highly flexible programme which enables its participants to gain first-hand knowledge and understanding of EU politics.

It first offers an online Model EU supported by a training platform through which participants acquire an overall understanding of EU affairs through history, institutional affairs and a dedicated political focus for each course.

Secondly, participants can take part to an onsite simulation game held in Brussels or Strasbourg, where they can experience from within the challenges, constraints and opportunities EU officials experience in their daily work; a type of knowledge books cannot convey.

Lastly, EWEI organises a Study Visit to Brussels where participants can meet and discuss directly with top ranking EU officials to deepen and widen their understanding of the EU's internal dynamics and political challenges



Each participant will be able to pick and choose from the offer which series of courses he or she wishes to attend that fit his or her calendar and favourite learning approach.

CUSTOMIZE YOUR LEARNING EXPERIENCE:

The Online Model EU comes in package with the onsite experiences that EWEI offers within its European affairs curriculum.

VIRTUAL



ONLINE MODEL EU

MAY 17-19 2021

150 €

The Model EU Online Edition is a unique training experience. Without leaving your home, you can acquire new skills, better understand European politics and meet new people.

ON SITE EXPERIENCES



STUDY MISSION TO BRUSSELS

JULY 5-8 2021

850 €

The 4-day Study Mission includes visits and high-level meetings at the core EU Institutions, NATO Headquarters, the European Medicines Agency in Amsterdam as well as meetings with bilateral representatives and diplomats; and one-day simulation exercise at the European Parliament.



MODEL EU STRASBOURG

JANUARY 24-26 2022

295 €

3-day simulation of the three major European institutions and the "Trilogue" will be held in the offices of the European Union in Strasbourg, with the aim of providing students with complete knowledge of the decision-making process of the European Union.



MODEL EU VIRTUAL EDITION



WHAT IS THE ONLINE MODEL EU ABOUT?

THE MODEL EU VIRTUAL EDITION

The Online Model EU is a fully remote role-playing simulation of European politics which provides its participants with an in-depth understanding of the mechanisms of the European Institutions role and functioning.

It is organised by the Eastwest European Institute (EWEI) with the support of the Associazioni Diplomatici, two Italian organisations specialised in learning-by-doing trainings in the field of international politics.

WHAT IS A MODEL EU?

A Model European Union (Model EU) is a simulation of the functioning of the main institutions of the European Union, in this case the European Parliament, the Council of the EU and the European Commission or the European Council. Students role-play one of the members of the European Institutions, either an MEP in his/her political groups and the plenary a minister or staff within the Council of the EU and a Commissioner or staff of the European Commission, debating on the most pressing global issues and working to draft and vote common legislative and non-legislative acts.

THE DIFFERENCES

The Online Model EU will allow its participants to benefit fully from the experience of a Model European Union exercise through modern technology and without leaving their homes. From training to the simulation itself, online tools and platforms will allow for an encompassing experience, fulfilling interactions between participants and a newly acquired understanding of European politics.



WHY JOINING

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WITH MODEL EU VIRTUAL EDITION:

- ★ You get in touch with students from all over the world and expand your network;
 - ★ You interact with experts, ambassadors and journalists;
 - ★ You live the experience of a Model EU role-playing one of the members of the European Institutions and improve your skills in international relations;
 - ★ You make the best use of the technology we have by putting it at the service of your talent;
 - ★ The Model EU Online allows you to live the experience of the European Union at home. Our Virtual Model EU is not just a simple online simulation; it is a community, it is a real world, it is the place to put your talent into practice joining incredible challenges;
 - ★ You will add a valuable learning experience to your resume/CV. You will get your certificate of attendance at the end of the simulation.
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HOW IT WILL WORK IN PRACTICE

THE THEME

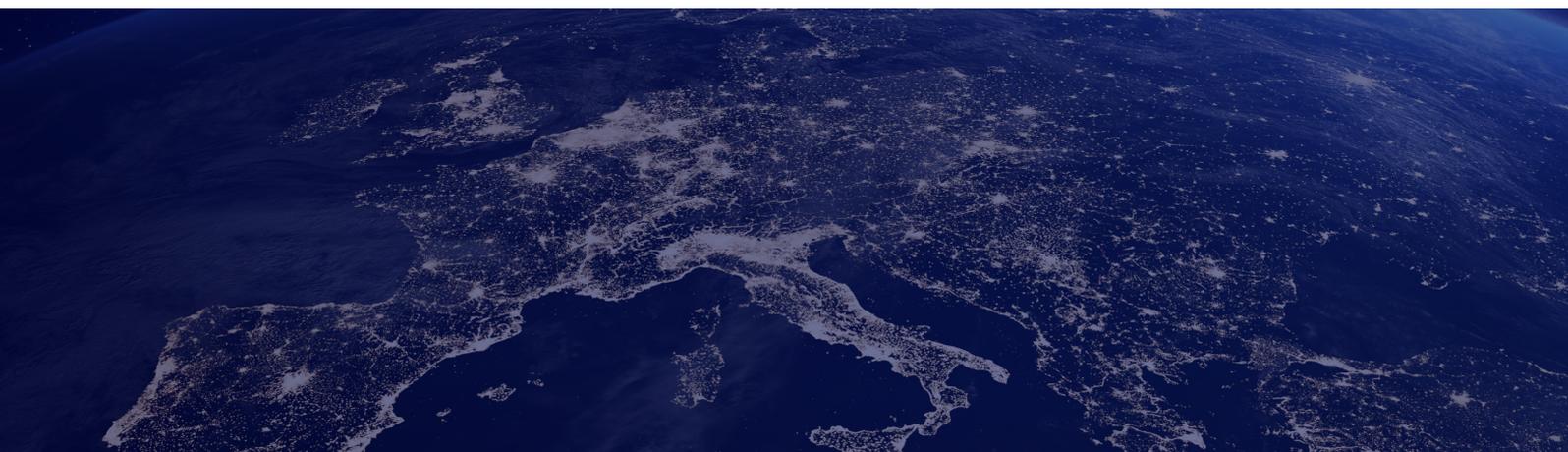
The theme of the **Online Model EU 2021** will be the three political priorities for the future of Europe, reflecting the ongoing debate of the Conference on the Future of Europe. The highly topical theme will allow participants to develop an up to date understanding of the internal dynamics at the European Institutions on the issue and of the current challenges the European Union is facing.

THE PROGRAMME

The goal of the Model EU Virtual Edition is to give you the opportunity to replicate, from your home, the official works of the European Union, **representing either a member state, a department of the European Commission or one of the 705 members of the European Parliament** according to the standard operating procedures of the Model EU that will be presented to you during the training course. You will be assigned a political group to represent as well as a country of origin.

All 27 EU member States will be represented at the Council of the EU, and the department of all 27 Commissioners at the European Commission. At the European Parliament, the political groups to be represented are: **the group of the European People's Party group, the group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats, Renew European Group, the group of the Greens/European Free Alliance, the Identity and Democracy Group, the European Conservatives and Reformists Group and the Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left.** Your goal will be to cooperate with other representatives to find a common position on the issue at stake.

You will have to **negotiate** as a real delegate to get consensus both within your groups and among groups, and get your **project of legislative** or non-legislative act approved. Remote activities are guaranteed by the use of Zoom®, a powerful tool that let you experience a fun and highly interactive virtual experience.



Monday 17 May, 2021

10:00 am – 11:00 am CET	Online Model EU Opening Ceremony
11:00 am - 12:30 pm CET	European Parliament: Political groups meetings European Commission and Council of the EU: first formal session
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm CET	European Parliament: Political groups meetings and plenary meeting Council of the EU: first informal session European Commission: first informal session

Tuesday 18 May, 2021

10:00 am – 12:30 pm CET	European Parliament: Plenary meeting and plenary meeting Council of the EU: second informal and formal sessions European Commission: second informal and formal sessions
2:30 pm – 5:00 pm CET	Trilogue for members of the trilogue European Parliament: plenary for the remaining MEPs

Wednesday 19 May 2021

10:00 am – 12:30 pm CET	European Parliament: plenary in presence of the European Commission and the Council of the EU
2:30 pm – 5:00 pm CET	Finalisation of the final document
4:00 pm – 4:30 pm CET	Closing ceremony

THE TOOLS

The Opening and Closing Ceremonies, the plenaries of the European Parliament and the Formal Sessions of the European Council will take place on Zoom.

The platform guarantees exceptional clarity and quality and ensures that everyone can participate equally whether with their computer or smartphones.

**The programme is provisional and can be subject to changes on the basis of the number of participants and the availability of speakers.*

EXTRA FEATURES

TEAM CHALLENGES



Willing participants in the Model EU Virtual Edition, besides their political group/country of origin assignment, will be assigned to a team with whom they will participate in a journalistic challenge. The winning team will get an award allowing its members to further develop their understanding of international affairs.

AWARDS



Each member of the winning team of the team challenge is rewarded with a voucher worth 250€. Vouchers can be spent for participation in the World in Progress study trips organised by EWEI, such as. Vouchers can also be spent to take part in the **Economic Diplomacy and Economic Diplomacy II** projects. The most active members of the winning team will in addition receive a special award.

SPECIAL GUESTS



Special guests will take part closing ceremonies of the event. Participants will be welcomed to the simulation by a special address from **President Dr Javier Solana** (TBC, formerly European Union's High Representative for Common Foreign and Security Policy). A member of the European Parliament will also take part to the Closing ceremony to discuss the outcome of the simulation and share insights and experiences of real-life EU decision-making processes.

HOW TO GET PREPARED: E-DELEGATE COURSE

2-HOUR CONTEXTUAL WEBINARS FROM APRIL 5TH UNTIL MAY 14TH

In order to become a real an e-delegate, you will be able to follow our online course, held in English. The course offers a general overview of the role and structure of the European Union and provides the knowledge and skills needed to successfully join this experience. The training is also enriched by contributions from politics, law and economics, diplomats and journalists experts.



E-LEARNING PLATFORM

Getting ready is simple and useful by accessing our E-Learning Platform available via computer or smartphone. You will find videos, in-depth documents and tutorials sorted by themes relevant to the simulation. You will soon become an expert and will be ready to join the simulation successfully using the best of your technology skills.



LIVE WEBINAR SESSIONS WITH ONE OF OUR TUTORS

You will attend our real-time virtual classes led by our tutors by joining your virtual classrooms. The entire course of the Model EU Virtual Edition will facilitate your preparation by offering you a strong insight of what you will mostly need to know such as public speaking, the writing skills.



HOW CAN I JOIN?

The Model EU Virtual Edition is open to university level students as well as young professionals.

No language certification is requested when registering to Model EU, but it is good to keep in mind that the entire Model EU activity is held in English. It is therefore necessary to have written and oral interaction skills.

HOW TO REGISTER

The objective of our project is to involve prepared and motivated students who want to join the debate on the relaunch of the European project. For this reason the selection process for participants goes through a special procedure and only those considered eligible will be invited to take part to the simulation.

- ★1 Fill in the online application form on the dedicated web page;
- ★2 Indicate your availability (date and time) to take the interview directly on the platform;
- ★3 Take the selection interview in English via Skype;
- ★4 If the outcome is positive, the candidate can proceed with the registration and payment of the participation fee for the project.

Technical requirements to participate

As the simulation is carried out remotely, before registering it is necessary to check that you have an internet connection and one (or more) devices capable of supporting the functioning of the tools you will need to interact with us.

Minimum connection requirements & signal strength between 800kbps and 1.0Mbps

Recommended connection requirements & signal strength greater than or equal to 3.0 Mbps

Essential hardware: Desktop or notebook computer (Win or Mac) with webcam and microphone.

Additional hardware: 2018 Smartphone or tablet onwards (Android or IOs)



WHAT IS THE COST?

Participation fee is 150 € and provides for:

- Model EU Virtual Edition registration fee
- Access to the EWEI E-learning Platform
- Access to the webinars with the EWEI tutors
- Access to the simulation tools
- Model EU E-Certificate of attendance
- Customer service
- A life-time access to EWEI's specialised monthly webinar, the "Europe Talks" series
- In order to access pedagogical materials, participants subscribe to the Eastwest online geopolitical magazine for a reduced fee of 5€ (instead of 12€).

HOW TO JOIN FOR FREE

The Online Model EU comes in package with the onsite experiences that EWEI offers within its European affairs curriculum. The amount paid for the Model EU online is therefore automatically deducted from your registration fee if you choose to join the WiP Brussels (5-8 July 2021) or the Model EU Strasbourg (24-26 January 2022).

PAYMENT METHODS:

BY BANK TRANSFER

Account holder:
European Diplomacy S.r.l.
Bank:
UNICREDIT
IBAN: IT 23 T 02008 03292
000104987144
SWIFT: UNCRITMM

VIA PAYPAL

You can conveniently pay with PayPal which allows you to make payments using a variety of methods including: PayPal balance, a bank account, debit or credit cards and premium balance. For this payment method a transaction fee is applied (3.4% + € 0.35).

STUDY MISSIONS

By participating to the Model EU Online edition you have the opportunity to win vouchers to use for one of our study missions. These are part of an innovative training format designed to offer to university students the unique opportunity to deal with today's most pressing challenges in international relations, going beyond what they have been learning during their academic career.

Have you already chosen your destination?



WIP ISTANBUL

June 2021

The WiP Istanbul will take the participants to the core of Turkish life, culture and politics. Participants will meet first-rank politicians and high level university experts. They will deepen their understanding of the country's current challenges and of the dynamics of international relations in the region.



WIP TUNISIA

October 2021

During their stay in Tunisia, participants will meet and learn from politicians from the highest level, civil society activists and practitioners of international institutions working for the democratic transition of the country. The geopolitics of the region, its history and current challenges will be spelled out and debated upon.



WIP MOSCOW

September 2021

The WiP Moscow takes its participants at the core of one of the centres of world power. It raises the curtain on Europe's ambivalent neighbor, and allows participants to develop a deeper knowledge of the diversity of the cultural and political identities present in Russia, and more specifically in Moscow.



ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY

June -July 2021

Economic Diplomacy will take its participants to the heart of US and international institutions both in New York and in Washington. Through dynamic simulation at the seats of first-plan international enterprises, students will develop their understanding of international affairs and economic diplomacy.



ECONOMIC DIPLOMACY II

April 2021

Based in Geneva, Economic Diplomacy II will provide its participants with a new insight into the dynamics of international policies. Simulations of international negotiations will take place at the seats of first-plan international enterprises, and participants will develop an in-depth understanding of international affairs through the course.





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