The Challenges of the Enlargement Policy: EU versus China's diplomacy in Western Balkans

#### Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence The Challenges of the Enlargement Policy: EU versus China's diplomacy in Western Balkans 2020–23

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#### Summary

The Centre of Excellence at the Faculty of Economics, University of Montenegro.

The Centre will pool the existing national, EU-based and Chinese knowledge, research and teaching on EU Enlargement policy.



#### Partners

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## Teaching

- The English language will be introduced.
- By the interaction of local and EU-based professors.
- This will result in the raising both the attractiveness and excellence of our courses on the EU.
- It will improve the level of the competences and skills of the Undergraduate, Masters and Doctoral students.



# Teaching (UoM)



#### **International Economics**

(undergraduate)

Economy of the European Union (undergraduate)

**Globalization and Economic Policy** (graduate)

Single Market and the EU Competition Policy (graduate)

**Globalization of the World and National Economics - advanced level** (PhD)



# Teaching (UDG)



• The EU Enlargement Policy

(undergraduate)

- Political system of the EU and European Institutions
- (undergraduate)
- Public policy and decision making in the EU
- (graduate)



## Research

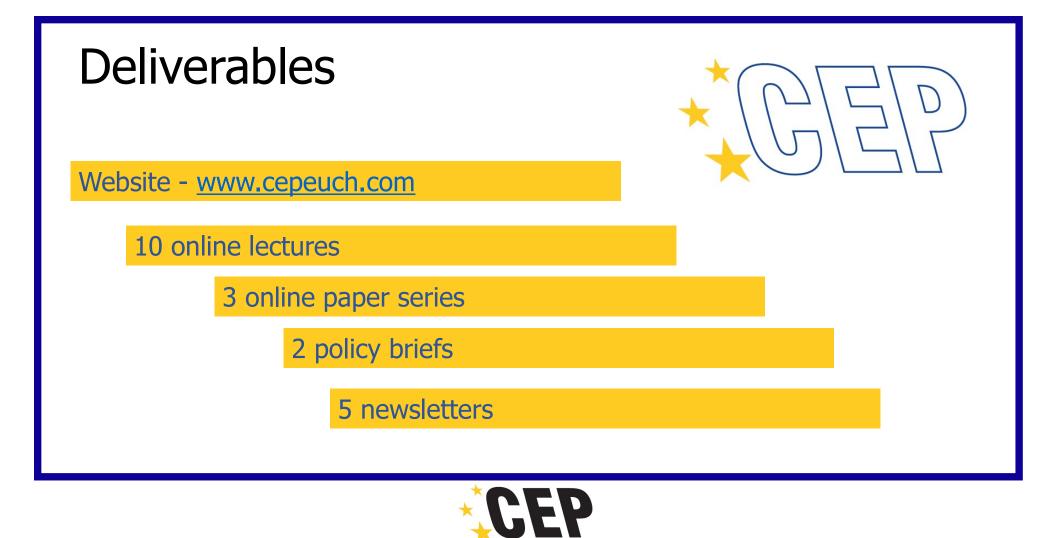
- The research should make a strong argument that the external environment and the "return of geopolitics" in Western Balkans are a major difference to the earlier Eastern enlargement of the EU.
- The accession process of the Western Balkan countries were very slow and will be long and uncertain in future.
- From other side presence of the China in the Western Balkan has become increasingly visible, specially try infrastructure investments.



# Do the Western Balkan counties have strategy for the next five-ten years?

- The Centre activities will provide synergy trans-institutional, transnational expertize, that would provide strategic response elevating the regional views, for the political makers to have strategic response to it.
- High level of expertise of local and EU experts will contribute to make their voice heard in credible ways.





## **Events**

Seminar 1 U, China and Western Balkans: Challenges and Prospects of Further Integration May/June 2021	Roundtable debate discussion Global Competition Challenges facing Single market and its implications for the Western Balkan May 2022	Seminar 2 EU, China and Western Balkan: Cooperation under New Circumstances May 2023
<b>Lecture 1</b> The new EU institutional reality —political and institutional andscape for future integration October 2021	<b>Lecture 2</b> New Enlargement policy: EU, China and Western Balkans October 2022	Study trip to the University of Duisburg- Essen winter semester 2022



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#### Hvala na pažnji!

#### Thank you for your attention!

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