

## 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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# TEPSA partners

- University of Duisburg-Essen, Department of Political Science, Germany
- Comenius University in Bratislava, Faculty of Social and Economic Sciences at, Slovakia
- University of Zurich, ETH, Switzerland
- University in Rotterdam, Netherlands
- College of Europe, Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, Belgium
- Maastricht University, European Institute of Public Administration, Belgium
- Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Université Nice Sophia Antipolis, France



# 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 expertise, 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.

# Deliverables



Website - [www.cepeuch.com](http://www.cepeuch.com)

10 online lectures

3 online paper series

2 policy briefs

5 newsletters



# Events

## **Seminar 1**

EU, 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

## **Lecture 1**

The new EU institutional reality  
–political and institutional  
landscape for future integration  
October 2021

## **Lecture 2**

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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