

Batumi Jean Monnet Winter School

THE POLITICAL CRITERIA FOR ACCESSION TO THE EU AND EUROPEANIZATION



Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University
Faculty of Law and Social Sciences

FEBRUARY 20-24 - BATUMI, GEORGIA

February 20, 2024 – Tuesday

10:00-11:00 - Opening the Winter School

10:00-10:10 - Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze - Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia

10:10-10:20 - Prof. Merab Khalvashi - Rector of the Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia

10:20-10:30 - Prof. Marine Giorgadze, Head of the Department of Strategic Development and International Relations, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia

10:30-10:40 - Prof. Levan Jakeli - Dean of Faculty of Law and Social Sciences, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia

10:40-10:50 - Irma Gabinashvili - Information Center Representative of the Batumi Bureau on NATO and the European Union, Georgia

11:00-13:00 - Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze, Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia - Fundamental Principle, Values of the European Union: History and Modern Development

13:00-14:00 – Lunch

14:00-15:00 – Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze - Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia - Accession Criteria to the European Union, Candidate Countries and Enlargement of the European Union

15:00-16:00 – Free time

16:00-18:00 – Dr. Marko Milenkovic, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Social Sciences in Belgrade, Serbia, Jean Monnet Fellow, Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Florence, Italy - European Integration of the Western Balkans: Accession Process and Challenges

February 21, 2024 - Wednesday

11:00-13:00 - Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze, Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia - What is the Europeanization and How it Works?

13:00-14:00 – Lunch

14:00-16:00 – Practical Work/Case Studies/Discussion

16:00-16:10 – Free time

16:10-18:10 – Prof. Olesia Plotnik, Faculty of Law, Moldova State University, Republic of Moldova - Prospects and Challenges: The Republic of Moldova's Journey Towards EU Accession and Europeanization

February 22, 2024 – Thursday

11:00-13:00 – Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze, Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia – Implementation of Domestic Reforms in Georgia and Challenges of Accession to the European Union

13:00-14:00 – Lunch

14:00-16:00 – Practical Work/Case Studies/Discussion

16:00-16:10 – Free time

16:10-18:10 – Prof. Yurii Barabash, Vice-Rector, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University, Ukraine - Judicial Reform as a Tool for Guaranteeing the Rule of Law toward to the EU (Ukrainian case)

February 23, 2024 – Friday

11:00-13:00 – Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze, Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia – European Union Institutions and Making of Decisions on the EU Enlargement

13:00-14:00 – Lunch

14:00-16:00 – Practical Work/Case Studies/Discussion

16:00-16:10 – Free time

16:10-18:10 – Prof. Tetyana Komarova, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University, Ukraine - Ukraine's Path to the EU" - Historical Background and Legal Issues of Approximation

February 24, 2023 – Saturday

11:00-13:00 – Prof. Malkhaz Nakashidze, Jean Monnet Chair, Jean Monnet Module Coordinator, Batumi Shota Rustaveli State University, Georgia – Top Myths on the European Integration and Enlargement, Russian Propaganda and Challenges

13:00-14:00 – Lunch

14:00-16:00 – Practical Work/Case Studies/Discussion

16:00-16:10 – Free time

16:10-18:10 – Prof. Tetiana Anakina, Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University, Ukraine - Legal Approximation of Ukrainian Legislation with the EU Acquis in the Light of the Accession to the European Union

18:10-19:310 - Closing and Award ceremony

The winter school is organized within the **Jean Monnet Module "Political Criteria for Accession to the European Union and Europeanization of Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine"** funded by European Commission in the framework of Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union which aims to promote excellence in teaching and research in the field of European studies.

The main goals of the winter school is to:

- provide the participants with basic knowledge about the legal-political bases of the accession process to the European Union and Europeanization of Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine;
- increase the awareness of Georgian citizens about European values, dispel the negative propaganda and myths about the European Union and the European integration process and to form reasoned answers to them;
- inform students about the reforms and achievements implemented by Georgia and other candidate countries in the European integration;
- provide the participants with information about the benefits and advantages of the EU which are already enjoyed by the citizens of Georgia.