EUI EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE

THE EUI GLOBAL EXECUTIVE MASTER



Transforming policy professionals into agents of change

Policy design and implementation increasingly involves governance across borders – and it includes government and public administration, business, media, and civil society. In this environment, policy professionals must upgrade their skills continuously to inspire and drive sustainable change in the world around them.

The EUI Global Executive Master (GEM) degree enables professionals to become agents of change in their field of work. The EUI GEM is open to professionals across the public sector, the private sector and civil society who are looking for opportunities to continue to build and upgrade their skills.

The programme allows professionals to study while they work, learning from leading academics and policymakers with hands-on experience who will offer a unique global perspective on cutting edge issues.

At the same time, the programme represents a unique opportunity to become part of a wide and impactful international network, connecting academia with the public and private sectors, policymakers and institutions.



"The EUI Global Executive Master aims to provide executives with structured, lifelong learning experiences. The wealth of knowledge on key policy issues such as geopolitics, global security, energy and climate, banking and finance, or technology and media offered here at the European University Institute will enable participants to take their careers to the next level."

Prof Georgios Papakonstantinou
EUI Dean of Executive Education

Why is the EUI GEM unique?

HANDS-ON

The institution: With strong links to the policy world, the EUI is the place to go beyond theory, to learn and discuss the complex practice of policymaking.

CONNECTED

The cohort: Designed to gather together policy professionals in business, government, and civil society, to collaboratively address policy challenges.

TAILORED

The personalised curriculum: EUI GEM participants curate their own professional development journey, going deeper into cutting-edge policy areas of importance to them, by selecting one of the specialisation tracks.

IMMERSIVE

The method: An innovative and interactive blended approach to learning that combines online and on-campus teaching.

Who is the EUI GEM for?

Public policy professionals working in government, in national and sub-national administrations and in international organisations.

Professionals in the private sector working at the intersection of the public and private sectors.

Civil society professionals working in advocacy and the media.







Addressing the most pressing issues of our time

The four specialisation tracks are solidly rooted in academic excellence, drawing from the existing training portfolio of the European University Institute. They are built with the involvement of experienced practitioners working in these fields around the world, thus providing EUI GEM participants the opportunity to be exposed to high-level experts in their respective fields.

EUI GEM participants can select one of the specialisation tracks below:

- ENERGY AND CLIMATE
- ECONOMY AND FINANCE
- TECH AND GOVERNANCE
- GEOPOLITICS AND SECURITY



Structure

TWO YEARS, PART-TIME
Designed for the working policy professional executives who can "learn while they earn" and attend classes while being employed full-time.

BLENDED
Through state-of-the-art online learning and support tools, EUI GEM participants can study from wherever they are. The programme includes a total of 25+ days in residence in Florence during the two-year period, complemented by the Brussels Foresights and the Global Challenge executive study visits.

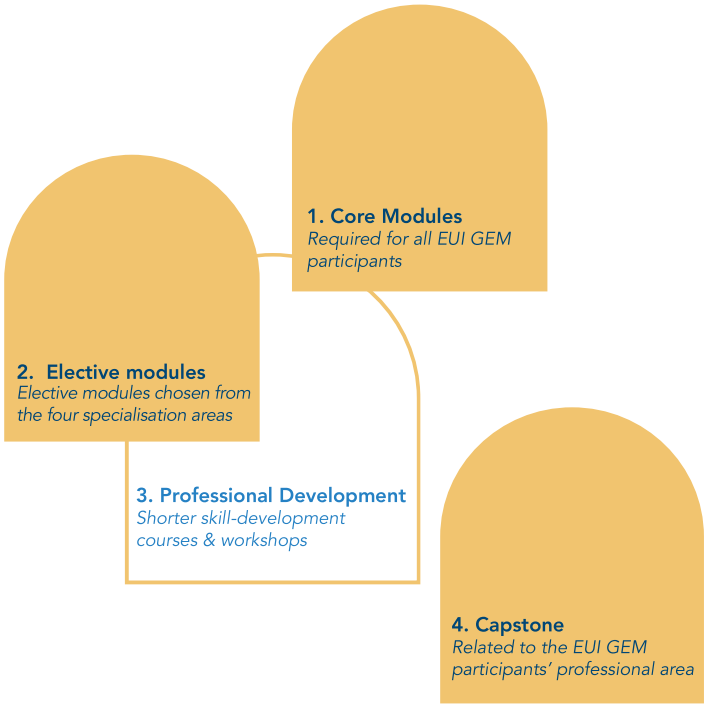
PROJECT-BASED
Designed to actively support professionals in addressing real-world problems facing their organisations, through a final capstone project.

Upon successful completion of the programme, EUI GEM participants receive a master's degree diploma corresponding to **70 ECTS.**



Building blocks

The EUI GEM is a project-based programme that in addition to core and elective modules, as well as professional development modules, requires all EUI GEM participants to produce a final capstone addressing a real-world policy problem. This enables prompt practical application of their learning into the real-world environment for immediate impact.





The curriculum

Year 1 - Core modules

During the first year, EUI GEM participants will take four core modules that will set the basis for a comprehensive understanding of the complex task of policymaking, and its interaction with government, the economy and global trends. All core modules are mandatory.

1. Applied political science
In this module, participants explore how political behaviour and political institutions shape policymaking and policy outcomes.

2. Economics for policymakers
Participants delve into the main dimensions of contemporary cutting-edge economic policy analysis at a national and global level in this module, which provides them with the tools for effective decision-making.

3. Business and government
This module explores how businesses and governments can work together to resolve significant social and political challenges in a globalised world, such as delivering growth, addressing food security, managing environmental crises, and creating more inclusive societies.

4. Big and smart data analytics
This module asks critical questions regarding the use of data in the public sector through interactive case studies and key readings. Participants are trained in the basics of data science and how they can design big data-driven policies within ethical and regulatory norms.

Year 2 - Elective modules

During the second year, EUI GEM participants select five elective modules from the four specialisation tracks. To specialise in one of the four tracks, three of the electives should be picked in the same track (and the Capstone project must be conducted in the same area).

1. Energy and climate
- Energy markets and regulation
- Getting to Net Zero
- Climate-neutral and smart cities

2. Economy and finance
- Current issues in international political economy
- Digital finance – from technology to regulation
- Sustainable finance and climate risk

3. Tech and governance
- Innovation and disruption in the digital era
- Regulating emerging technologies and platforms
- Artificial intelligence and government transformation

4. Geopolitics and security
- Global security architecture
- Transnational organisations & global rule making
- International trade and diplomacy



Professional development

The EUI GEM will also offer a professional development journey delivered by leading trainers, strengthening the capacity of its participants to become effective managers and lead with impact.

- **Change management masterclass**
- **Policy communication training**
- **Media relations masterclass**
- **Strategic foresight training**
- **Responsible negotiations training**
- **Inclusive leadership masterclass**
- **Project management training**

Executive study visits

The programme includes three executive study visits.

1. EUI STATE OF THE UNION
During their first year, EUI GEM participants are invited to join the EUI's State of the Union Conference in Florence, taking place at the beginning of May.

130 Speakers

30 Sessions

The State of the Union conference is a flagship event of the European University Institute, promoting high-level discussions on a wide range of key policy areas, including challenges to democracy, the green transition, geopolitics, the global economy and digital politics.

The 2023 conference saw the participation of renowned academics, EU policymakers and business executives, including:



Josep Borrell Fontelles, EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and VP of the European Commission



Dita Charanzová, Vice-President of the European Parliament



Matthias Berninger, Executive Vice-President, Public Affairs, Science, Sustainability & HSE, Bayer



2. BRUSSELS FORESIGHT
In the second year, EUI GEM participants go on an executive study visit to Brussels to explore the role that strategic foresight plays in the policy planning of EU institutions. An intensive training on strategic foresight is complemented by networking opportunities and keynote talks.





3. GLOBAL CHALLENGE
EUI GEM participants are expected to work on practical solutions to transnational policy challenges within the four specialisation areas. The global challenge executive study visit takes them on the ground, to explore and get inspired by meeting and working with local policy stakeholders. Destination of the study visit is to be confirmed, and is optional for the EUI GEM participants.

Capstone project

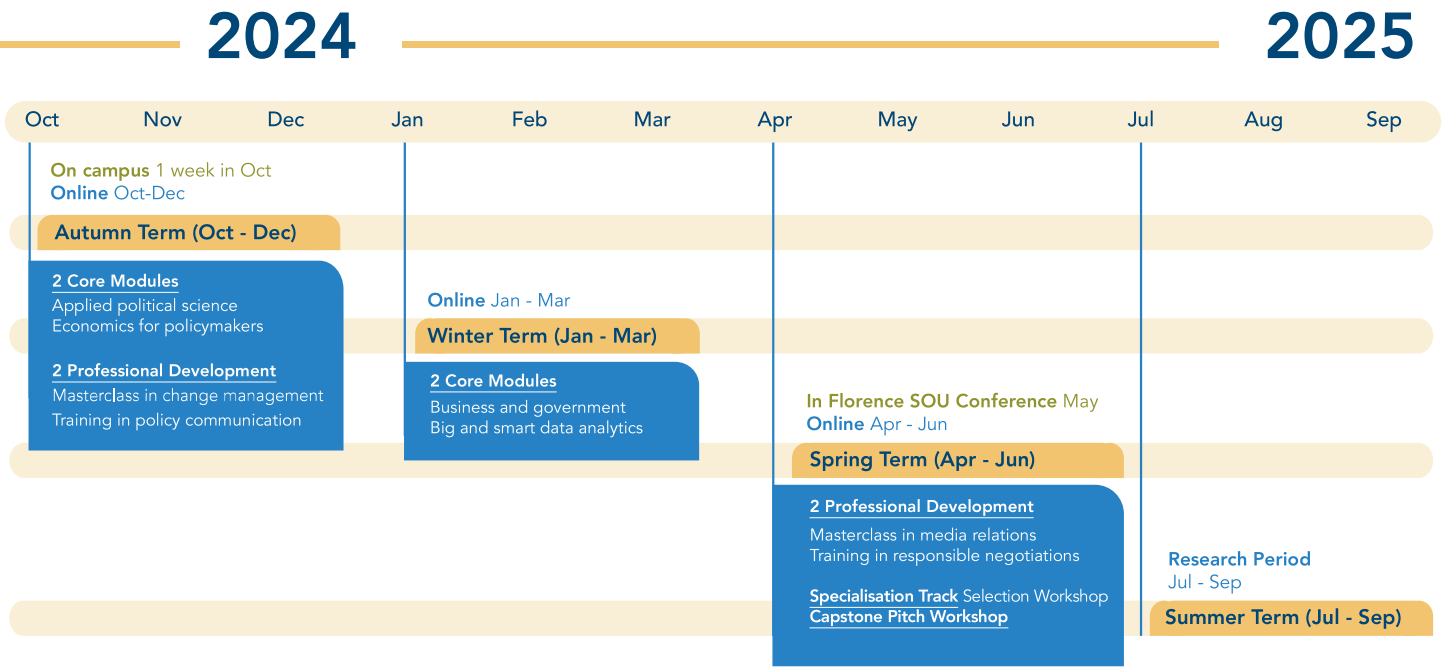
Throughout the programme, participants will be working on a project addressing a real policy problem facing an organisation (including their own) and proposing solutions based on original research. The project will be jointly mentored by the organisations in question and EUI faculty.

Steps in capstone development:

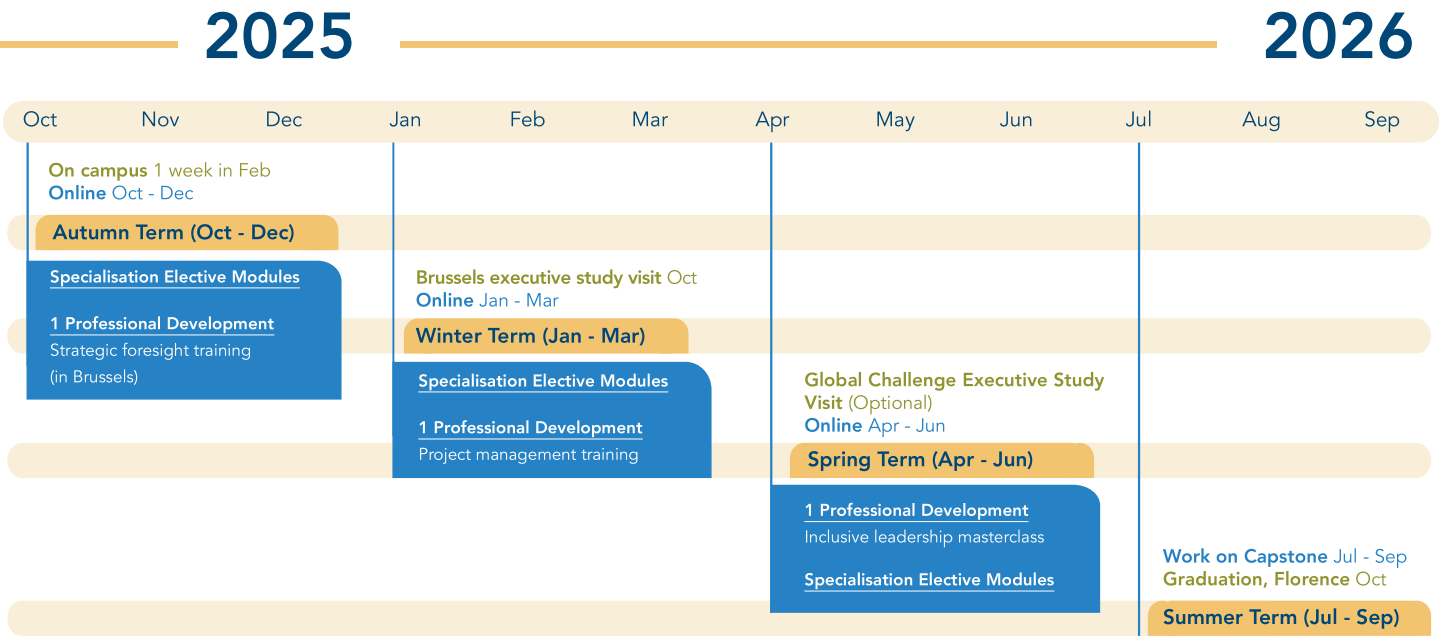
- **Problem definition**
- **Project co-design**
- **Methods selection**
- **Empirical research**
- **Mentoring and supervision**
- **Presentation of findings and recommendations**



The EUI GEM: study timeline Year 1



The EUI GEM: study timeline Year 2



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Admission and Fees

Eligibility requirements

The EUI GEM is an advanced degree in public policy for current and emerging leaders in their fields. Candidates should hold a Bachelor degree and typically have a minimum of seven years of professional experience.

As the programme is conducted in English, candidates should be fully proficient in English.

Selection process

The selection process for the EUI GEM in three steps:

Application: register to our application portal and complete the online application by filling the form and submitting all documents.

Eligibility check: applications will be screened for eligibility.

Evaluation & selection: applications will be evaluated by the Selection Committee, and applicants might be invited for an interview. Selected candidates will receive a place offer to complete the registration to the EUI GEM programme.



The tuition fee for the EUI Global Executive Master is € 28,000.
This fee includes:

1. Full tuition fee for the two-year programme
2. All study material and online recordings
3. Mentoring and capstone development
4. Access to the EUI Executive Education Centre
5. Access to the EUI Library
6. Networking lunches and cocktails during the residential periods

The fee does not include travel and accommodation during the residential periods, and the optional global challenge executive study visit.

The EUI GEM also offers a special **early bird fee (10% discount)** to candidates who comply with the following requirements:

1. Submission of the application by **31 January 2024, 23:59 CET**
2. Whose participation to the programme is not conditional upon external fundings.

Although most EUI GEM participants are expected to be self-funded or funded by their employers, some financial help will be made available to selected participants with specific profiles. A limited number of targeted tuition fee waivers is available and we are currently working with third-party providers to secure a further number of targeted tuition fee waivers and full scholarships for candidates meeting specific requirements.

The European University Institute at a glance

The European University Institute (EUI) is an international organisation and home to the Historical Archives of the European Union. Founded in 1972 by the six original members of the then European Communities, the EUI has earned a reputation as a transnational hub of research and higher learning.

The EUI's outstanding doctoral, postdoctoral, master and executive education programmes come together to create an empowering, intellectual climate where students and researchers can contribute to the betterment of society.

Composed of four academic departments, Political and Social Sciences, History and Civilisation, Law, and Economics, the EUI also comprises the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSC) and the School of Transnational Governance (STG), offering a multidisciplinary perspective across a wide range of policy areas.

1972
Set up by the founding members of the European Communities

1000+
Scholars

85+
Countries of Origin

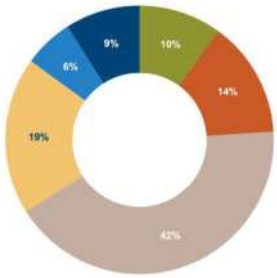


About EUI Executive Education

450+
Training Courses

18k+
Participants

160+
Nationalities



Training participants

- EU Institution
- National public sector
- Civil society, NGOs & Think Tanks
- Academic Institution
- Private sector
- Other

The EUI Executive Education programme provides a unique platform, where actors across politics, business, civil society, international organisations, NGOs, media and academia engage in 21st century policymaking.

Led by world-class academics and policymakers, courses are offered by the Institute's specialised schools, such as the School of Transnational Governance, the Florence School of Regulation, the Florence School of Banking and Finance and the Centre for Digital Society. Courses cover a wide range of policy areas, including energy and climate, banking and finance, migration and gender, and technology and media.

Who we work with

The EUI partners, collaborates and offers trainings to a large number of stakeholders worldwide: public administrations, international organisations, academic institutions, private companies and funding institutions, including:

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