

The Theory and Practice of European Integration

Description of the course

Goal: To introduce the students to the history of European integration theories and practices, and to the special literature of European Studies in English.

The following subjects will be studied and discussed:

1. The main characteristics of the history of European diplomacy and of the development of international law from the 14th century to our days (feudal-monarchical diplomacy; classical diplomacy of sovereign nation states; the balance of power policy; the basic principles of the international law, and of the human rights).

2. The types of unions of states. Classical constitutional federalism (the American constitution of 1787; the Swiss constitution of 1848)

3. The phenomenon of nation state and of nationalism

4-5. The classical idea of world federation and of economic world federation - their role in the development of international law, of human rights and of the right of self-determination.

The influence of the development of democratic international law on the theories of European cooperation (1919-1949). (The League of Nations, the UNO, The Universal Declaration of Human Rights; The Statute of the Council of Europe; Classical constitutional federalism: the Pan-European Movement, the European Parliamentary Union (Richard Coudenhove-Kalergi); the European Federalist Movement (Altiero Spinelli); Unionism (Churchill); The new European personalist federalism (Denis de Rougemont, Hendrik Brugmans); Functionalism (David Mitrany).

6. Functionalist-federalism: The Schuman-plan and the "Monnet-method": the new supranational European integration policy. The new international institution: the High Authority; the international importance of the European Coal and Steel Community.

The supranationalism of the federalist-functionalist Europe: the European Defence Community; the Draft Treaty Embodying the Statute of the European Political Community, 1953.

The unfinished union: the collapse of the European federalist plans.

7. The chain reactions in working: the European Economic Community and the Euratom. The intergovernmentalism of the supranational Europe (1954-1958). Debates on the Schuman-plan, and on the federalist-functionalist ideas of Jean Monnet.

8. The influence of the supranational European institutions of the European Community on the integration theories and practices.

Integration theories emerging from practice:

Neo-functionalism (Ernst Haas, Leon N. Lindberg).

Debates on the supranational institutions: De Gaulle and the question of European authority. The federalist Walter Hallstein in opposition to De Gaulle.

Classical European confederalism (De Gaulle, Thatcher).

Intergovernmentalism (Andrew Moravcsik).

Neo-federalism (John Pinder).

The role of supranationalism in the intergovernmental Europe.

9. Supranational (federalist) élan in the intergovernmental Europe:

The Report of Tindemans. The Spinelli-debate. The federalist reform policy of Jacques Delors. The Single European Act. The principle of personalism and the principle of subsidiarity. Subsidiarity as the means of balance between federalists and intergovernmentalists.

10. The Maastricht Treaty and the two level governance of the EU. Debates on the Treaty on European Union, 1992.

The democratic deficit: debates on the European Union.

11. The reforms of the Amsterdam and of the Nice Treaties.

The theory and practice of the Eastern enlargement. The case of Hungary.

12. What kind of constitution for what kind of policy? The Fischer-debate.

13. Draft Treaty Establishing a Constitution for Europe, 2003.

14. Europe and globalization

15. Summary. Conclusions. Democratic federalism, democratic supranational institutions, and the necessary reforms in Europe. The future of the EU.

Literature:

Bóka Éva: *The Theory and Practice of European Integration*. Syllabus.

Derek Urwin: *The Community of Europe. A History of European Integration since 1945*. Longman, London and New York, 1994.

Ben Rosamond: *Theories of European Integration*. St. Martin's Press Inc. New York, 2000.

Brent F. Nelsen - Alexander C-G. Stubb (eds.): *The European Union. Readings on the Theory and Practice of European Integration*. Lynne Rienner Publishers, Boulder, London. 1994; 2004.

A.G. Harryvan and J. van der Harst: *Documents on European Union*. Macmillan Press LTD., London, 1997.

The basic treaties of the European integration (ECSC, EURATOM, EEC, SEA, TEU, TA, TN):

<http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties>

Websites:

Documents on constitutional development:

<http://www.yale.edu/lawweb/avalon/constpap.htm>

Internet Modern History Sourcebook:

<http://www.fordham.edu/halsall/mod/modsbook.html>

Basic documents of international law:

<http://www.un.org/overview/rights.html>

<http://www.unhchr.ch/html/menu3/b/ch-cont.htm>

Human rights:

<http://www.un.org>

<http://www.un.org/Overview/rights.html>

EU History Site:

<http://www.eu-history.leidenuniv.nl>

Documents on the history of the European idea:

<http://civiseuropaeus.org/idea/index.htm>

Globalization theories:

<http://www.polity.co.uk/global>

Documents on the history of European integration:

The Statute of the Council of Europe:

<http://conventions.coe.int/treaty/EN/Treaties/Html/001.htm>

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<http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties>

ECSC: <http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties/en/entoc29.htm>

EURATOM: <http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties/en/entoc38.htm>

EEC: <http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties/en/entoc05.htm>

Treaty on European Union, Maastricht, 1992: <http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties/en/entoc01.htm>

Single European Act: <http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/treaties/en/entoc113.htm>

<http://europa.eu.int/en/record/mt/top.html>

Treaty of Amsterdam: <http://europa.eu.int/abc/obj/amst/en/>

<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/treaties/dat/amsterdam.html>

Treaty of Nice: <http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/treaties/dat/nice.html>

Draft Treaty Establishing a Constitution for Europe, 2003:

<http://european-convention.eu.int/default.asp?lang=Eu>

<http://europa.eu.int/eur-lex/en/treaties/dat/constit.html>

EU informations:

<http://european-convention.eu.int>

<http://europa.eu.int/comm/enlargement>

<http://www.jeanmonnet.net>

<http://www.jeanmonnet.net/main5.html>

<http://www.jean-monnet.ch>

<http://www.robert-schuman.org>

The Fischer-debate:

<http://www.iue.it/RSC/symposium/>

<http://www.law.harvard.edu/programs/JeanMonnet/papers/00/symp.html>

Fischer's speech:

http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/2_aktuel/index.htm

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