# Description of

“EurIdentity Basic Module: Foundations of Europe”

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<th><strong>Title of module:</strong></th>
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<th><strong>ECTS-credits:</strong></th>
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**Affiliation to/ Curricular relevance:**

*Study program/ Faculty /… Elective on Bachelor level*

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<th><strong>No. of lecturing hours:</strong></th>
<th>40 (clock) hours</th>
<th><strong>No. of self-study hours:</strong></th>
<th>110 hrs for self-study of online material, follow-up work and exam preparation</th>
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**Assessment:**

- One group work; assessment pass/fail; modalities specified in the respective topic unit.
- Repetition: semester-wise
- Multiple Choice Exam; assessment pass/fail; 60 minutes.
- Repetition: semester-wise

**Language:**

English

**Recommended prerequisites (modules):**

None

**Recommended as prerequisite for:**

Level 2 of the EurIdentity Certificate

**Lecturer:**

12 topic units with one lecturer for each topic

**Module responsible:**

University EurID responsible

**Learning goals: (in bullet point format, max. 5 bullets)**

After successfully completing this module, the students will:

- have a fundamental knowledge about European values (i.e., human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights) and are able to reflect about them.
- have fundamental knowledge about the institutions, economy, politics, history, culture, law of the European states, Council of Europe and European Union.
- be able to work together productively in international & intercultural teams.
- be able to self-structure their learning in a fully online course setting.
- be able to synthesize diverse topics about Europe and European values, each topic being delivered by a different lecturer coming from different academic fields with their respective academic and teaching culture.
**Module content:**
The module consists of two parts, Seminar 1 and Seminar 2. Seminar 1 contains 8 topic units out of which the students have to follow 7 topic units. Seminar 2 comprises 5 topic units; all 5 being mandatory.

**Contents of Seminar 1 “European values and identities”:**
- Perceptions, social representations and cultural studies
- Sociology of religious and philosophical pluralisms
- Rule of law and fundamental rights in Europe
- European Economic and Social History 1870-2020
- History of Public Power in Europe 1870-2020
- Art trends in Europe
- Europe in the Anthropocene: EU and Climate Change
- European Labour Market

**Contents of Seminar 2 “European challenges and actors”:**
- Actors and decision-making processes in Europe
- Actors and structures of European economies
- European geopolitical actors and issues
- European states, demographic structures and migration (to be replaced)
- European scientific and environmental challenges and issues

Detailed content per topic unit can be found in the topic unit descriptions (-> see online course)

**Recommended or required reading:**
Reading list per topic unit in the topic unit descriptions (-> see online course)

**Teaching methods/teaching media utilized:**
Lectures recorded as videos, lecture handouts, reading resources, virtual group work, exchange platform (forum). If applicable, additional methods/media to be found in the topic unit descriptions (-> see online course)