



College of Europe
Collège d'Europe

Brugge



Natolin

ECTS CARD

STUDY PROGRAMME

European Interdisciplinary Studies, Natolin campus (Advanced Academic Master)

YEAR

2023-2024

COURSE TITLE

EU Energy and Climate Policies

SEMESTER

2

COURSE PROFESSOR(S)

EGENHOFER Christian

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COURSE TYPE

Specialist Course

MAJOR(S)

EPAP

ECTS CREDITS

4

TEACHING HOURS

20

INDIVIDUAL & GROUP STUDY TIME

80

TUTORIAL(S)

COEFFICIENT

1

LANGUAGE(S)

EN

COURSE OBJECTIVE

Understanding the interactions of EU domestic energy and climate policies and implications for external policies.

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students will:

- Deepen their knowledge on the manifold interactions between EU & global energy policy and developments and the state of climate change negotiations/action;
- Be able to put the history of EU energy and climate policy into perspective with a view of the 2030 and 2050 global energy and climate perspectives;
- Better understand the role of the EU vis-à-vis global climate negotiations/actions and implications for the international frameworks
- Particular focus will be put on discussing the ongoing – proposed and actual – policy responses to the energy crisis at EU and member state level.

As a result, students will be able to i) analyze energy and climate policy issues, ii) autonomously assess and interpret related information and iii) understand and iii) critically evaluate the energy price response measures.

The course will also dedicate a special session on 'Policy Writing and Political Communication'.

RECOMMENDED PREPARATION

Tagliapietra, Simone. (2020), 'Global Energy Fundamentals: Economics, Politics, and Technology'. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (relevant parts)

Delbeke, Jos and Peter Vis (eds), 'Towards Climate Neutral Europe', Routledge 2019 (relevant parts) (free download)

TEACHING METHOD(S)

- Seminar-style method (lecture with discussions with students), combined with
- Regular class discussions on specific topics, based on briefings by the professor,
- Case studies, and
- Quizzes

ASSESSMENT METHOD AND CRITERIA

TBC

COURSE CONTENTS

1. Introduction to the course and repetition of the fundamentals of EU and global energy/climate challenges
2. Selected concepts and key data
3. History of EU energy and climate policy: from the 2007/8 climate and energy package to the Climate Law/Fit for 55
4. Past and future energy policy instruments I: the internal energy market and flanking policies
5. Past and future energy policy instruments II: external energy policies
6. Past and future climate policy instruments I: Renewables & hydrogen
7. Past and future climate policy instruments II: EU ETS, energy efficiency and innovation
8. Energy Union and the Climate Law: interactions between policies
9. Policy writing and effective communication with policy making
10. Achievements and challenges of EU climate and energy policy & wrap up

COURSE MATERIALS (readings and other learning resources/tools)

- Readings – see course outline – e.g. academic articles and books, official documents, 'grey literature' e.g. policy papers
- Case studies and briefings as a basis for debate of ongoing policy issues
- Videos – for illustrative purposes
- Quizzes – to identify and fill knowledge gaps
- Power Point slides will be made available