

Faculty



“The most appealing aspect of teaching in the MELS is its student audience. Comprising adult learners from different professional sectors and career paths, they all share a keen interest in learning about EU law. This allows me to engage them in very lively group discussions and involve them in various types of collective exercises during the courses I teach.”

*Juan Diego Ramírez-Cárdenas Díaz, Senior Lecturer
European Centre for Judges and Lawyers
EIPA Luxembourg*



“Master of European Legal Studies (MELS) has been developed with a particular student profile in mind – a student who may already have launched a professional career, but who still feels a thirst for knowledge and the need for professional development; a student who demands a thorough, yet flexible study programme.”

*Tomasz Kramer, MELS Director
European Center for judges and Lawyers
EIPA Luxembourg*

Alumni



“I would definitely recommend MELS to anyone seeking to gain a better overview of EU law. Unlike many part-time courses, it maintains that important face-to-face contact, and offers something for everyone with its wide range of topics covered. It was definitely hard work, but also a thoroughly enjoyable learning experience.”

*Kate Wilson, European Parliament,
MELS Promotion 2014-2016*



“The MELS was an extraordinary learning experience, with some of the best legal professionals in each field, and a supportive, encouraging atmosphere in the heart of Europe.”

*Sergio Alonso de Leon, Member of the Legal Service,
European Parliament, MELS Promotion 2012-2014*



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Master of European Legal Studies - MELS Online



*Master en études européennes
Spécialité Droit de la
construction européenne*

The programme

Practical information

- 2-year Master programme
- Bilingual, delivered in English and French
 - active knowledge required only for one
- Lectures organised over 4 weekends per semester in Luxembourg
 - Friday afternoon to Sunday noon
- Master thesis concludes the programme
- Diploma (Master II) awarded by the Université de Lorraine

Innovative methodology

The programme is based on a combination of a number of teaching methodologies:

- Students attend face-to-face lectures and tutorials using interactive education methods
- A set of online learning tools, including audio-video tutorials, web-conference lectures, assignments, etc., are offered
- Students are invited to engage in guided distance learning

Who can apply?

Any candidate with:

- Bachelor degree or an equivalent educational level (in law, political science, economics, European studies or other fields)
- An active knowledge of English or French, with at least a passive knowledge of the other language



First academic year

- European integration process and its history
- Constitutional European law - EU legal system, institutional law, decision-making processes and system of judicial remedies
- EU substantive law - the four freedoms and competition law
- Policies related to the internal market - EMU, company and tax law, public procurement
- Current challenges and future prospects of the EU (including Brexit)

Second academic year

- Implementation of EU law at European and national levels - EU administrative law, including the system of implementing and delegated acts
- Other policies related to single market - environmental law, intellectual property, electronic communications and social and labour law
- Human rights protection in Europe
- Area of Freedom Security and Justice
- Role of the EU as an international actor

A long-lasting partnership

Centre Européen Universitaire de Nancy, part of the Université de Lorraine, is one of the oldest institutes dealing with European integration. It has cooperated with EIPA Luxembourg for over two decades. The MELS Online is a fruit of this collaboration. Thanks to our 'academic programme transfer agreement', the duly accredited French Master programme is implemented and delivered in Luxembourg, by EIPA.

Needless to say, the original programme has been fine-tuned by EIPA MELS team to fit the needs of professionals who work full time.



The faculty includes:

- **Dr Ludovic Bernardeau**, Référendaire at the Court of Justice of the EU
- **Prof. Etienne Criqui**, Université de Lorraine
- **Kristine Drevina**, Legal Counsel, Directorate General Legal Services, Legal Advice Division, European Central Bank
- **Prof. Herwig Hofmann**, Université de Luxembourg
- **Prof. Jean-Denis Mouton**, Université de Lorraine
- **Jérôme Roche**, Policy Officer, DG Connect, European Commission
- **Alain Steichen**, Avocat à la Cour, Bonn, Steichen & Partners