- The Jean Monnet selection is centralised in Brussels in order to ensure full coherence in the appliance of the award criteria to applications from any country. Applications are submitted directly and do not transit via government departments, permanent representations or other formal channels.
- 7. The selection is based on a rigorous peer review system: independent academic experts (university professors) perform an assessment of the quality of each application in light of the published award criteria.
- 8. Applications are assessed on the basis of four award criteria:
 - Quality of the applicants: excellence of the academic profile (CVs) in the specific field of European integration studies.
 - Quality of the methodology and the work programme: quality and detail of the planned teaching, research and/or debating activities (with particular attention being paid to the academic added value, the multidisciplinary synergies and the openness to civil society).
 - Impact and relevance of the results: likely impact of the activities on education and/or training at the European and/or world level, with specific attention paid to activities outside the EU.
 - Innovative Character: degree of innovation of the project: creation of new teaching, research and/or debating activities (as appropriate);
- In addition to the co-financing, being selected as a Jean Monnet scholar offers academic prestige and recognition, provides academic networking opportunities within the Jean Monnet community, and the possibility to participate in Jean Monnet reflection activities (conferences and seminars).
- 10. Recipients of Jean Monnet professorships enjoy full academic freedom. The Jean Monnet network is valuable and academically prestigious precisely because of its capacity of independent and critical analysis on all issues that surround the European Union.

A Jean Monnet Success Story





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The centre incorporates a number of professionals from the University of Bologna but also boasts numerous academics and experts from community institutions and other Italian/foreign universities.



More information on the Jean Monnet programme is available on the European Commission website:

http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/doc88_en.htm

The call for proposals and application forms are available on the website of the "Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency" (EACEA):

http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/llp/index_en.php



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Stimulating teaching and research on the European Union and fostering the dialogue between academics and decision makers in the EU and world-wide

The Jean Monnet Programme, with an average annual budget of 35 million € of the Lifelong Learning Programme, supports three main types of activities:

- The Jean Monnet Action with the creation of Jean Monnet Chairs, Centres of Excellence, Modules, information and research activities and the support for academic associations of professors and researchers in European integration.
- Six institutions: the College of Europe (Bruges, Natolin), the European University Institute (Florence), the European Institute of Public Administration (Maastricht), the Academy of European Law (Trier), the International Centre for European Training (Nice), and the European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education (Odense).
- Several European-wide associations active in education and training.

The Jean Monnet Programme also actively participates in high-level policy debates on European Integration. It has launched an ongoing exchange with the academic world on a broad range of European issues, including the European Union's role in the dialogue between its citizens and cultural traditions.

The Jean Monnet Conferences allow decision makers to concretely benefit from academic state of the art research, promote the interaction between the academic community, policy-makers and civil society; and inspire new ways of thinking on policy issues.

The Jean Monnet Thematic Groups discuss specific topics of political interest with European Commission officials and Members of the European Parliament.



The Jean Monnet Action

- The Jean Monnet Action is designed to increase knowledge about European integration by promoting teaching, research and debate with a focus on the history, politics, economics and law of the European Union and the EU's relations with other areas of the world.
- The Jean Monnet Programme is aimed exclusively at higher education institutions (university-level institutions). Such establishments must be formally recognised in their country of origin as higher education institutions and be endowed with the appropriate legal status before they can participate.
- 3. With some 1000 modules, more than 850 chairs and 165 Centres of excellence the Jean Monnet Programme currently operates on a world-wide basis, i.e. in 72 countries on the five continents.
 - All Higher education institutions from around the world are eligible to apply for Jean Monnet projects.
- The selection of Jean Monnet projects is carried out via an annual call for proposals.
- 5. Via the call for proposals, higher education institutions can apply for support for the following sub-actions:

(Applicants are invited to read the full text of the call for proposals to understand the full set of requirements attached to each of the sub-actions):

- Jean Monnet Modules are short courses on European integration (including the EU's relations with other parts of the world) with a minimum of 40 teaching hours per academic year. Modules may be multidisciplinary in approach (up to 21.000€ for 3 years).
- Jean Monnet Chairs are teaching positions with a special focus on European integration studies. Jean Monnet Chairholders teach a minimum of 90 hours per academic year in courses related to European integration (up to 45.000€ for 3 years).
- "Ad personam" Jean Monnet Chairs constitute awards reserved for (i) Jean Monnet Chairs who have continuously achieved high level standards in international teaching and in their publication records and/or (ii) professors with a distinguished background as former high-level practitioners in the field of European integration (up to 45.000€ for 3 years).
- Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence are clearly labelled multidisciplinary structures pooling resources in the field of European integration studies and research within one or more universities. Each Centre must work under the direction of a Jean Monnet Chair (up to 75.000€ for 3 years).
- Support for national associations of professors and researchers specialised in European integration addresses associations whose explicit purpose is to contribute to the study of the European integration process and whose aim is to enhance the visibility of scientific and physical resources in this domain (up to 100.000€ per year).
- Support for information and research activities provides grants for the organisation of conferences, seminars, and roundtables on European integration (up to 40.000/60.000€ per year).
- Jean Monnet Multilateral Research Groups are partnerships between at least three Jean Monnet Chairs from three different countries. Their objective is to create an academic network with a joint research plan and multidisciplinary synergies in the field of European integration studies (up to 80.000€ for 3 years).