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Regular contribution fees: 690 Euro. The participation fee covers all expenses of the programme. The accommodation and catering in the conference hotel at the GSI and in the hotels in Luxembourg and Brussels are included. The travel expenses to Luxembourg and Brussels are included as well. Special conditions are offered for students or sponsored participation.

You are invited to contact the team of the Summer School: summerschool@gsi-bonn.de.

Closing date for applications you will find at
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The European GSI Summer School is supported by a great number of national and international organisations and institutions.



... is an annual event, organised by the Gustav-Stresemann-Institute in Bonn. Partner-institutions such as the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) are involved and have been supporting the Summer School for many years.



... follows the ideas of Gustav Stresemann and Aristide Briand, both awarded with the Noble Peace Prize in 1926, to improve a pan-European understanding and to promote international cooperation. The GSI is an independent, non-profit institution for citizens' training and international exchange.



... The program of the Summer School covers a broad variety of methods and content. The European GSI Summer School blog is a digital co-working space. The participants produce a lively report of the debates and visits of different institutions.

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32nd
European GSI
Summer School

Europe – on the path to cooperation or confrontation?!

13th to 22nd September 2024
Bonn – Luxembourg – Brussels

2024 is a historical year concerning European development. In June, European citizens will elect a new parliament. The results will shape the balance of power and the political agenda for the next five years. The program of the 32nd European GSI Summer School aims to analyse these outcomes but also the consequences of this election. Questions may be asked as to whether the path ahead is characterized by cooperation or confrontation between European countries as well as in relation to neighbours and partners?

Europe is still facing a growing number of challenges: the Russian war against Ukraine, climate change, just to name two. The 32nd European GSI Summer School will be the perfect opportunity to discuss these challenges as well as finding solutions. As an international meeting point for 30 years, many European and non-European students and young professionals attended this program. Many of whom now work as journalists, entrepreneurs, ambassadors, scientists and even as ministers for foreign affairs.

Friday, 13th September 2024
> Bonn

Arrival of the participants
Organisation, get together

Opening of the European Summer School 2024
Introduction of the team, presentation of the program, facts and figures, introduction of participants and partners, Summer School Blog.

Keynote speech: Cooperation versus populism?
Europe after the European election

Workshop: The political system of the EU
Institutions and policy fields: The Parliament, The Council, The Commission, The Court, The European Council and other institutions.

Welcome-Evening
Getting to know, becoming colleagues, discover friends

Saturday, 14th September 2024
> Bonn

Summer School Lecture:
The European Parliament: New majorities – new politics?
Consequences for the parliamentary work, the perspective of different countries: within Europe and outside
World-Café: The perspective of the people
The expectations of the citizens

Panel discussion: Best friends or ...bad neighbours?
The European governments do have different opinions concerning foreign relations. The support of Israel’s fight against Hamas is one example. How to become a global player “with one voice”?

Workshop: The task of Sustainability
The international community shall enhance the struggle against climate change. Can Europe play a leading role?

Introduction: Giving Europe a home – A simulation game
Taking roles in representing different institutions in the EU, the participants initiate a common legal act in the field of culture.

Sunday, 15th September 2024
> Bonn

Presentation: Bonn – a European City mastering change
The development of the former German capital into “Germany’s United Nations city”

Guided tour: Walking on the path of German democracy
Visiting the centre of Bonn

Giving Europe a home – A simulation game
Taking roles in representing different institutions in the EU, the participants initiate a common legal act in the field of culture.

Monday, 16th September 2024
> Bonn and Luxembourg

Presentation and debate: The European Union – an area of freedom, security and justice
The rules are exemplified by distinctive law cases
Visiting the law firm Redeker Sellner Dahs, Bonn
Departure for Luxembourg

Visit: Schengen and the freedom of travel
Schengen as a historical place of European cooperation

Introduction and overview of the visit of European institutions
Information about rules and issues

Tuesday, 17th September 2024
> Luxembourg

Lecture: German Diplomacy in the most European of all EU member states
The key role of diplomacy in the heart of Europe
Visiting the German embassy to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg: Preparing decisions, foster dialogue, promote understanding

Visit: European Investment Bank
Priorities, projects and the challenges of today

Visit: The European Court of Auditors (ECA)
The guardian of financial interests of the citizens of the Union. The ECA’s role as the EU’s independent external auditor.

Guided tour: The life and legends of women in Luxembourg
Workers and nobles, witches and saints: discover the history and role of legendary women in Luxembourg

The Luxembourg Story
History and development of a European capital

Wednesday, 18th September 2024
> Luxembourg and Brussels

Visit: The European Court of Justice
Presentation of the Court’s work.

Departure for Brussels

Guided Tour: Exploring Brussels
A European capital from the middle ages to today

Thursday, 19th September 2024
> Brussels

Visit: The European Commission
The European Commission political executive of the EU, green deal/fit for 55, the new tasks of security policy, European careers: jobs and internships

Visit: The European Parliament
The implications of the election, proceedings afterwards, the tasks of the new parliament

Guided tour: Talking about influence
The position of NGO’s /Non-Government Organisations in EU politics

Friday, 20th September 2024
> Brussels and Bonn

Visit: Council of the European Union
The European Council’s role in Foreign Affairs and International Relations

Visit: The House of European History
Interactive tour through the House of European History

Departure for Bonn

Visiting of the European Union
Evaluation of the experiences in Luxemburg and Brussels

Saturday, 21st September 2024
> Bonn

Presentations and short lectures: The voice of civil society
How to organize influence?

Shaping Europe: A scenario
Interactive Workshops in groups

Closing ceremony with invited guests
Handing over of certificates

Sunday, 22nd September 2024
> Bonn

Shaping Europe: A scenario
Presentations and discussion

Evaluation of the Summer School
The view of the EU & its politics during the last 9 days, results and reflection of the program, the European Summer Academy Blog

Good bye and take care