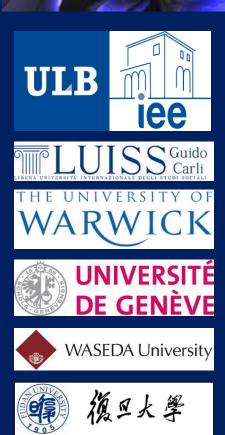
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The GEM PhD School: An Introduction

The Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctorate Programme on "Globalisation, the EU, and *Multilateralism*" (EMJD-GEM) is a five year programme set up with the support of the European Commission aimed at fostering first-rate doctoral research within Europe on the common challenges facing the current global system.

The **GEM PhD School** was launched by a consortium of institutions which have taken the lead in the fields of International Relations, Comparative Politics, European Integration Studies, Comparative Regional Cooperation Studies (ex. Mercosur, Asean, NAFTA, etc...) and Inter-regional Research (ex. ASEM, Rio process, EU-AU, ...etc). Its' core objective is to offer a select group of top doctoral students from across the globe - *both within and beyond the European Union* - the means to accomplish their doctoral research and training. With this in mind,

The **GEM PhD School** offers an innovative set of integrated learning tools - *shared training programs, supported international mobility, international seminars and joint workshops*; and provides financial assistance, as well as a stable legal and administrative framework wherein to accomplish joint international research initiatives, involving at least two partner institutions.

The **GEM PhD School**'s programme will thus pioneer an integrated approach to doctoral teaching which will be reflected in the joint tutorship and double doctorates associated with those theses written within the programme's context. All its activities are thus geared towards:

- *i.* Providing a set of top quality and multidisciplinary doctoral courses allowing for truly pluralistic and comparative approaches to "Globalisation, the EU and Multilateralism"
- *ii.* Fuelling existing European Integration Research, and strengthening the specific achievements accomplished within an ever stronger European Research Area
- iii. Guarantee continued excellence in education in a field of strategic importance for Europe
- iv. Enhancing the profile and visibility of the European Union in the fields of International Relations, other Social Sciences, and Humanities; whilst highlighting the findings born from the vast and unique efforts deployed by European HEI's in the field of EU studies.



The GEM PhD School: A Consortium of Leading Institutions

The **GEM PhD School** will offer a truly integrated doctoral programme of the highest academic quality, founded upon a strong research backbone and well-established international outreach programmes.

European Partners				Third-Country Partners			
Name			Faculty	Name			Faculty
Université Libre de Bruxelles	Brussels , Belgium		Institut d'Etudes Européenne	Universi té de Genève	Geneva, Switzerlan d	UNIVERSITÉ DE GENÈVE	Institut Européen
University of Warwick	Warwick ÚK	THE UNIVERSITY OF	s Department of Politics & International Studies	Waseda Universi ty	Tokyo, Japan	WASEDA UNIVERSITY	Graduate School of Asia- Pacific Studies
Liberta Università degli Studi Sociali	Rome, Italy		Facoltà di Scienze Politische	Fudan Universi ty	Shanghai, China		Centre for European Studies

Consortium Composition

All Doctoral Candidates will be employed by one of the EU-based Partners

Besides these partner institutions - which will welcome the affiliated doctoral students and will bestow the earned doctoral degrees - the **GEM PhD School** can also count on the participation and support from a series of highly valuable associated institutions, amongst which:

Associated	Institutions
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		Faculty	
Boston University	Boston, USA		Department of Political Science and International Relations
ITAM	Mexico City, Mexico	тат	Departamento Académico de Ciencia Política
UNU-CRIS	Bruges, Belgium		Comparative Regional Integration Studies

All of these institutions have extensive networks within relevant research and doctoral training communities. All are recognized leaders – both nationally and internationally – within their fields. The **GEM PhD School** thus combines the necessary expertise to ensure: (i) *the originality of its research;* (*ii) the scientific quality of the programme's activities; and (iii) the international scope of its impact.*



The GEM PhD School: An Extensive Mobility Programme

Besides their enrolment at the institution heading the research programme associated with the student's research project, each enrolled doctoral student will be awarded a minimum of 6 months, and a maximum of one year, in visiting research fellowships at partner institutions.

These mobility efforts must be motivated and justified by an underlying joint research project, and must be reflected in the student's tutorship choices. Accordingly, all aspects of the program – its teaching, management, and mobility flows - reflect the foundational research jointly accomplished within the network. Accordingly, they will be decided upon from the onset and are to be outlined in the students' applications.

The GEM PhD School:

An Integrated Teaching Programme

The full program contains the following educational modules, which the students can use to compile the necessary 180 Ects for graduation:

- 1. The methodological courses (max 12 Ects)
- 2. A profiling block of 1st year elective topic-specific courses & seminars (max. 12 Ects)
- 3. Common Group workshops within each Jointly Executed Research Project (6 Ects)
- 4. A set of 2nd and 3rd year specializing courses, seminars, research or teaching activities (max. 15 Ects),
- 5. Annual GARNET PhD seminars on "Global Governance, Regionalism, and the EU" (4-12 Ects);
- 6. The obligatory Doctoral Dissertation (120 Ects).

Integrated structure of the Doctoral programme (Total 180 Ects)

Methodological Courses	•1 [#] year obligatory set of introductory courses (15 Ects)	In order must col
Research Specific Courses & Seminars	•1 st year profiling electives (12 Ects) •2 nd & 3 rd year advanced electives (15 Ects) •Research or Teaching activities (6 Ects)	
Annual Joint Activities	• GARNET PhD seminar (4-12 Ects) • Annual Jerp Workshop (6 Ects)	In order to Graduate, a . must collect a total of 1
Doctoral Dissertation	•worth 120 Ects •3-4 years till completion •Joint tutorship from 2 Institutions	Stu 80
		dents Ects



The GEM PhD School: A Three-Pronged Research Agenda

Three specific Jointly Executed Research Projects (JERPs) - initiatives identified within the broader context of the GEM PhD School's research agenda - will offer the program its underlying backbone, and ensure that the programme combines both inter-disciplinary dialogue with more focussed analysis of a given dimension of the broad and complex phenomena at play within "Globalisation, the EU and Multilateralism".

These three component Joint Research Projects (JERPs) are:



Joint Research Project MORGANITE Multilateral Organizations, Regionalism and Global Governance: Institutions and the EU

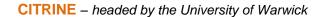
MORGANITE – headed by the IEE-ULB

An Institution-centred research initiative focussed on assessing the efficiency, legitimacy, and tensions inherently associated with regional, interregional and global institutionalized multilateral cooperation efforts.



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Joint Research Project CITRINE shaping International and Transnational Regulatory Interest and the EU



A concerted research initiative focused on analysing the implications of regulatory efforts associated with different articulations of multilateral order, as they apply within and Confrontations and Cooperation between models of national capitalisms, supranational governance dilemmas and global security concerns.



AMETRINE – headed by LUISS

GEM PhD SCHOOL Joint Research Project AMETRINE and other Regional Initiatives as Normative Endeavors

A coordinated research initiative focused on the normative components of European and international politics. It aims at comparatively examining European and non-European perspectives Analysis of Multilateral, European, on issues of justice related to globalization and global politics.

This three-pronged structure is the product of the available expertise within the consortium. Each doctoral candidate will be associated with one of the abovementioned research tracks and will spend at least their first year at the institution heading the chosen Jointly Executed Research Project.



GEM PhD SCHOOL Joint Research Project MORGANITE Multilateral Organizations, Regionalism and Global Governance: Institutions and the EU

The MORGANITE Research Project: The Specific Research Agenda

Over the past decades, both International Relation Theory, and European Studies have been redrawn by major conceptual debates and factual challenges. These challenges have fostered a host of innovative avenues of enquiry within both of these research fields. This in turn has led to a dynamic interdisciplinary dialogue. As this new scientific agenda for the 21st century unfolds, parallel dynamics of cooperation and discord within the international and European systems; in conjunction with contrasting processes of unification and fragmentation; have proven to be a fertile ground for methodological and conceptual innovations.

Moreover, since the early 90's international institutions have undergone something of a revival illustrated both by a major proliferation of regional initiatives as well as by a growing call for re-invigorated Global Governance mechanisms.

This institutional effervesce did not however meet the growing "*efficiency and legitimacy*" challenges facing the multilevel global system. Accordingly, in-depth exploration of international institutional dynamics – both in light of their inherent diversities, as well as their converging elements – has become a major research agenda within the social sciences. Pluralistic approaches to (neo-) institutionalism have thus come to offer the research community a rich analytical framework wherewith to broach a broad set of multilateral dynamics, both at the regional as well as global level.

The MORGANITE Joint Research Project strives to study the institutional implications of the emerging multileveled multilateral global system. These institutional evolutions are to be assessed on the basis of both historical as well as topical perspectives, without neglecting key theoretical and methodological considerations. Above all, its research agenda is to be articulated around the abovementioned interdisciplinary dialogue between International Relations, on the one hand; and European Studies, Comparative Regionalism and Interregional Analysis, on the other.

Accordingly, the MORGANITE Joint Research Project will focus on the following research fields: *(i) the factual and conceptual challenges which have coloured the disciplinary debates on Governance, Regulation, Institutional Cooperation, and Multilateralism, both within European Studies and International Relations; (ii) the institutional implications of evolving regional, interregional, and global agendas; (iii) and the growing interactions and mutual learning-processes emerging between these two levels of enquiry.*



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Project MORGANITE Multilateral Organizations, Regionalism and Global Governance: Institutions and the EU

The GEM-MORGANITE Research Project: The Main Research Questions

A series of specific questions are to be addressed as the institutional dimension of the international system is analysed through a variety of approaches. The debates will focus on the nature of the different institutional actors, processes and settlements on the world stage. Furthermore, the theoretical issues born from the emerging tensions between the imperatives associated with national State sovereignty on the one hand; and supra- or trans-national challenges or constraints, on the other; will form a recurring leitmotiv throughout the project's agenda.

While particular attention will be paid to the significance of the institutional debate within the European Union, the PhD School will also focus on other institutional arrangements -at the Global and Regional level- which have come to face questions resulting from the evolving global system. MORGANITE will attach particular importance to evaluating, both through comparative analysis as well as interdisciplinary dialogue, too which extent the various existing institutional arrangements can contribute to the emergence and stabilisation of a legitimate and efficient multilateral and multi-levelled Global Governance system.

The MORGANITE Research Project: Sought after Doctoral Profiles

Key existing Global and regional institutions will be studied through their specificities; as well, as through their overall contribution to Global Governance. Accordingly, MORGANITE will sponsor a wide range of specific research initiatives within any of the following broad research themes:

Research Theme 1 - Deepening the Interdisciplinary Theoretical Dialogue between EU Studies & IR

Research Theme 2 - Global & Regional Institutionalized Governance: Functional Evolutions Compared

Research Theme 3 - Institutional Reform at the Global, Interregional, and Regional Levels Compared

Research Theme 4 – Institutional Prospects: the Structural Challenges to their Efficiency & Legitimacy

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Research Theme 5 – International/ Regional Institutions and State Sovereignty



Project CITRINE Confrontations and Cooperation shaping International and Transnational Regulatory Interest and the EU

The CITRINE Research Project: The Specific Research Agenda

The CITRINE Joint Research Project will be coordinated and managed by the Department of Politics and International Studies (PaIS) at the University of Warwick. The Department boasts a thirty-strong cohort of academic staff, each of whom should be considered available to undertake supervisory duties for GEM School Fellows. The research specialisms of PaIS staff members cohere around the three groupings which provide the Department with its collective research culture and its specific profile of research outputs. One such grouping is in International Political Economy (IPE); another is in International Politics and Security Studies (IPSS); and a third is in Public Policy and Comparative Political Systems (PPCPS). PaIS is also the home to three specialist research centres: the Centre for the Study of Globalisation and Regionalisation (CSGR); the Centre for Studies in Democratisation (CSD); and the Centre for Ethics, Law and Public Affairs (CELPA). We welcome applicants to the CITRINE Joint Research Project who wish to undertake doctoral studies on topics related to any of these areas in which the Department has expertise. Given that we are a Department of Politics and International Studies you will fit best with us if your background is in those disciplines, but we are definitely open to the idea of supervising genuinely interdisciplinary PhDs on issues that are of interest to political scientists and/or international relations scholars.

Regulatory interests in the European Union and beyond are constantly being redefined under the twin pressures of globalisation and multilateralism. (1) The political economy of contemporary world order plays out against the backdrop of both a major financial crisis and the ever-present contestations that surround international trade politics. These are issues that have been studied in great detail and to widespread acclaim by members of our IPE Research Group. (2) The national and international security context of contemporary world order is situated against the backdrop of a permanently changing set of assumptions as new threats come to the fore and overlay historically-rooted social and political tensions. This is an area in which the reptuation of the Department is growing rapidly thanks to the work of members of the relatively new IPSS Research Group. (3) Public policy decisions are likely in the near future to become increasingly prone to challenge at a variety of spatial scales, as public spending cuts take hold across Europe and beyond. Here the members of the PPCPS Research Group continue to be at the forefront of scholarly debates through their high profile work. Every member of the Department, at one level or another, focuses their research on the significance of regulatory interests, whether that is in terms of theorising shifting forms of legitimacy within everyday politics or through assessing the relative efficacy of policy-making conducted domestically, regionally and/or globally.



Joint Research Project CITRINE Confrontations and Cooperation shaping International and Transnational Regulatory Interest and the EU

The CITRINE Research Project:

The Main Research Questions

More than ever perhaps, the EU's relationship with its inside and outside is open to question. Within this debate sit quite different narratives of: (i) the regulatory role that different legal jurisdictions should have over economic, security and public policy issues; (ii) how these different legal jurisdictions should constitute themselves as actors within the increasingly global domains of production, finance, trade, the environment, national security, governance, etc.; and (iii) what sorts of values, preferences and norms should be represented – and by whom – in each of these fields of public policy and many more besides. At every turn, these narratives spark alternative technical and normative arguments, with each being enveloped by potential sources of political controversy and struggle. The quality and intensity of these debates vary within and between European states, as well as between European states and a range of differently situated social forces located in the rest of the world. In some cases the use of formal political authority is seen as an interventionist threat to neoliberal growth strategies. In others this view is inverted and the use of formal political authority has merely cemented neoliberalism and should thus be seen as a threat to social progress, cohesion and developmental growth strategies designed to exit recession. These are also contests about legitimacy and the extent to which the economic, social and security governance beyond neo-liberalism can continue to rest upon currently existing political foundations.

The CITRINE Joint Research Project will study the interplay of any combination of forces that come together in struggles over the scope and character of contemporary regulatory interests.

The CITRINE Research Project:

Sought after Doctoral Profiles

CITRINE's work will grow out of the following research themes. One or more of these themes will typically be embodied in all of the specific research initiatives to be sponsored at each call for doctoral applications.

- Research Theme 1 The intellectual underpinnings of divergent preferences on, as well as divergent expressions of, the desired regulatory structure of an increasingly global and multilateral world.
- Research Theme 2 The way in which global regulatory interests arise from their interaction with the production of ideas and the reproduction of institutions at all levels up to the global one.
- Research Theme 3 The future of local/national/regional economies and of distinct local/national/regional capitalisms within broader global reform of production, finance and trade.
- **Research Theme 4** The future of local/national/regional security and of distinct security governance structures as part of the articulation of broader global threat concerns.
- Research Theme 5 The impact of changing multilateral regulatory norms on the everyday lives of citizens within the contested political structures of globalisation.



GEM PhD SCHOOL Joint Research Project AMETRINE Analysis of Multilateral, European, and other Regional Initiatives as Normative Endeavors

The GEM-AMETRINE Research Project: The Specific Research Agenda & Questions

The normative component of international affairs is increasingly recognised as a key element in order to understand the international relations we live in. Since the seventies, political philosophers, political theorists, and political sociologists have forcefully claimed the necessity to take into full account the normative side of international politics. Issues of justice such as global poverty and global redistribution, minority rights and social inclusion, war and deterrence, self-determination and intervention, environmental degradation and global health, human rights and nationalism, sovereignty and supranational institutions, migration and citizenship cannot be fully analysed without considering their axiological component.

The European Union is a key case study for a normative approach to international relations. From the original discussion on the civilian power of the EU, up to the most recent interpretations as normative and ethical power, the EU actorness cannot be fully grasped without a proper consideration of it as a normative endeavour.

International political theory is the discipline that provided the best avenue to investigate these issues and it is the discipline that is central in AMETRINE, together with IR, political sociology, and political philosophy. AMETRINE will thus provide an opportunity to investigate the range of issues of international political theory and IR that are most related to the case of EU and other regional cooperation processes. Issues of civilian, normative and ethical power EU will be investigated, together with the other major normative dimensions of the EU internal and external action such as EU standardization. Especially interesting will be the comparative study with other regional normative endeavour which will allow for a better understanding of the European experience. Finally, normative issues in and models of global politics will also be studied from a multidisciplinary perspective which include IR, political theory, and political sociology. Accordingly, research proposals from political theorists, political philosophers, sociologists, and researchers in European and International studies will be welcome.



The AMETRINE Research Project:

The Sought after Doctoral Profiles

In particular, AMETRINE will sponsor a wide range of specific research initiatives within any of the following broad research themes:

Research Theme 1 – Deepening the Interdisciplinary Theoretical Dialogue between political theory, EU Studies & IR studies.

Research Theme 2 – Normative issues in International Political Theory

Research Theme 3—Normative issues in EU internal affairs

Research Theme 4–Normative issues in EU external affairs

Research Theme 5– Normative issues in other regionalization processes

Research Theme 6– Normative issues in the process of globalization

Research Theme 7 – Different perspectives on global justice and Human Rights





The Application & Selection Procedures:

How to Apply

Applications are both WEB and PAPER-based

All necessary information and forms are available on the GEM PhD School's website: <u>www.ErasmusMundus-Gem.eu</u>

All required documents and forms are to be submitted both: 1°- electronically through the aforementioned website and 2°- as a single paper copy to be send in by registered mail.

Accordingly, a completed application will include both: the online submission of <u>two set of online</u> <u>forms</u> (the identification forms & the scientific forms) and a <u>set of complementary documents to be</u> <u>attached in their electronic form</u> (ex. PDF copies of essays, and scans of all necessary documents) on the one hand: <u>and a single bound copy of all (a) requirements documents</u>, including (b) print outs of the filled in <u>online forms</u> send in by postal mail, on the other.

Admissible Applications must include ALL of the following:

(Please use the following as a check-list when completing your application)

- □ The Completed online Application Forms
 - 1. The student Identification Form (describing the students' personal history)
 - 2. The Scientific form (describing the applicant's research project)
- A Detailed Academic Curriculum Vitae (3 page Maximum)
- □ Proof of Nationality (ex. Scan of Passport)
- A Personal Essay detailing your overall PhD *Project (4500 Words Max.) This Open Essay should at least address in your own words the following point:*
 - ✓ Present your personal motivations
 - / Describe the Submitted Doctoral Research Project
 - Justify the chosen 'Jointly Executed Research Project' and requested mobility action
- □ A Certified Copy of the highest degree/diploma obtained, stating credits, grades and workload including an English translation

(If certified copies cannot be provided before the application deadline, non certified copies are to be provided; and upon selection, the selected students will pledge to provide the certified ones within two months)

Certified copies of all academic transcripts - including an English translation. (If certified copies cannot be provided before the application deadline, non certified copies are to be provided; and upon selection, the selected students will provide the certified ones within two months)

- □ Proof of English Proficiency
 - Either, a Prior English Language Diploma
 - > Or, an International English Language Test with results equivalent to:
 - ✓ IELTS \rightarrow 7.0
 - ✓ Paper TOEFL → 620+
 - ✓ Computer TOEFL → 260+

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□ Two letters of recommendation from academics

(To be provided both as letters in sealed envelopes and electronic scanned documents. Both versions are to be sent directly to the GEM PhD School secretariat by the supporting Academic)



The Application & Selection Procedures: When to Apply

The GEM PhD School Application process is divided into two subsequent cycles as 2 <u>different Erasmus</u> <u>Mundus Doctorate fellowships</u> are to be awarded with an eye on two different target audiences:

Category A fellowships: To be awarded to doctoral candidates from all countries other than the 27 EU member states. Furthermore, the doctoral candidate must not be resident nor have carried out her/his main activity (studies, work, etc.) for more than a total of 12 months over the last five years in one of these countries.

Category B fellowships: To be awarded to any doctorate candidate who does not fulfil the Category A criteria as defined above.

<u>Category A fellows</u> will have to launch their VISA application process upon selection. A longer window has therefore been left between the official selection and the start of the following Academic Year. During said intermediary period – between the official notification and the student's enrolment the following September – the selected category A student will with the help of the GEM Consortium complete their necessary VISA procedures.

<u>Category B fellows</u> are exempt of any VISA obligation and therefore require less preparation time between the official notification of selection and their enrolment in the programme.

Accordingly the following staggered DEADLINES have been set

Category A Applicant	S	
	APPLICATION DEADLINE:	January 16 th 2011
	ACADEMIC NOTIFICATION:	February 15 th 2011
	CANDIDATE'S CONFIRMATION DEADLINE:	February 23 rd 2011
Category B Applicant	ts	
<i>3 / 1</i>	APPLICATION DEADLINE:	January 16 th 2011
	NOTIFICATION DEADLINE:	February 15 th 2011
	CONFIRMATION of ACCEPTANCE:	February 23 rd 2011
Selected Applicants	both category A & B:	
	COMPLITION of VISA PROCEDURES: & SUBMISSION of COMPLEMENTS	July 31 st 2010

- Possible complements might include:
- ✓ Completed Masters diploma (if still finishing at time of application)

✓ Language test results

✓ Certified & translated transcripts



The Application & Selection Procedures: What to Expect

Admissibility Prerequisites

1°- All applicants must have a Masters Graduate Degree or equivalent.

Past diplomas should preferably be in a relevant field within the <u>Humanities</u> or <u>Social Sciences</u>. However, in light of the GEM PhD School's interdisciplinary nature no formal requisites regarding said diploma's field have been set.

One should however note that a key variable in evaluating the submitted applications will be their '*relevance*' and '*fit*' regarding both: the candidate's personal academic profile; as well as, the compatibility of the suggested research topic with the applicant's chosen 'Jointly Executed Research Project' (*i.e. MORGANITE, CITRINE, or AMETRINE*).

As a result, graduates from such relevant fields as: *International Relations; EU Studies; International Political Theory; Area Studies; Political Theory; Econometrics; International Political Economy; or International Law* will have a comparative advantage.

Nevertheless, all acknowledgeable prior diplomas must conform to a set of minimal credit requirements. Applicants must submit at least one diploma which is one of the following:

- ✓ A 2-Year Master programme (120 ECTS or equivalent);
- ✓ A 1-Year Graduate Programme following a prior undergraduate degree if both Diploma's total at least 300 ECTS or equivalent;
- ✓ A Single 4 year University level programme offering 300 ECTS or more of relevant courses.

2°- A thorough proficiency in English is a further necessary requirement.

English Proficiency must be attested either through a previous English-language diploma OR an internationally recognized proficiency tests. (i.e. IELTS \rightarrow 7.0; ComputerTOEFL \rightarrow 260+; PaperTOEFL \rightarrow 620+)

Although strongly recommended, students are not necessarily expected to have secured their test scores; however if still pending they must temporarily demonstrate their English proficiency through their other application requirements AND above all pledge **to secure and submit the necessary test results at the latest two months after the notification deadline**. If said language assurances are note provided in a timely fashion the GEM PhD School reserve the right to withdraw its endorsement of the student.

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The Application & Selection Procedures: What to Expect

Selection process

The GEM PhD School's Board of Directors reviews all applications, and selects those applicants who will be accepted into the program and to whom scholarships will be offered.

Current Board of Director members include:

Pr. M. Telò (B); Pr. B. Rosamond (UK); Pr. S. Maffettone (I); Pr. T. Terada (J); Pr. B. Dai (PRC); Pr. N.
Levrat (CH); Pr. R. Marchetti (I); Pr. L. Scheeck (L); Pr. M. Watson (UK); Pr. L. Vanlangenhove (B); Pr.
V. Schmidt (US); Pr. S. Sberro (Mex.)

Selection will be based on academic merit, research project relevance, motivation, recommendations and estimated chances of success in the programme.

Admission is final only when students have obtained the necessary visas, permits and insurance policies (the consortium will help with these procedures).

The Selection process is supervised and coordinated by the GEM Central Executive Office (CeO) located in Brussels. All questions during the application process are to be addressed to it.

The GEM PhD School Central Executive Office can be contacted at:



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The Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctoral Fellowships: Short Outline

Fellowship Key Numbers

The Commission will confirm the exact numbers of available fellowships after having received the list of selected candidates following the academic screening. However, at present the indicative numbers are that the upcoming promotion will include:

Up to 10 Erasmus Mundus GEM Doctoral Fellowships (2011-2014)

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Accordingly, as of September 2011 the GEM PhD School is to welcome a further group of:

- > Up to 6 Category A Erasmus Mundus Fellows
- > Up to 4 Category B Erasmus Mundus Fellows



The Erasmus Mundus Joint Doctoral Fellowships:

Short Outline

Category A and B fellowships are identical except that the first are eligible to receive a total of €7500 for travel and the latter €3000. Beside their lump travel allowance, each fellowship is made up of two more components: operational funds and salary/stipend. Operational funding covers tuition fees and operational costs; whereas the salary/stipend funds provided for an equitable monthly allowance. The 3 main components in EMJD fellowships are:

		Category A scholarships (Maximum over 36 months)	Category B Scholarships (Maximum over 36 months)
Ι	Fixed contribution to travel, installation and any other type of costs	€7500	€3000
11	Operational funds (incl. participation costs, insurance coverage, etc.)	€10800	€10800
	Overall Fellowship	€100800	€100800

Please note:

- Fellowships are awarded exclusively for full-time enrolment (min. 36 months)

- Third-Country doctoral candidates, who have previously received an EM Masters scholarship, can be awarded a Category A fellowship

- Doctoral candidates benefiting for an EMJD fellowship cannot benefit from other Community grants

Tuition Fees and Participation Costs

All GEM EM fellows are in principle fully funded from the very start, i.e. the awarded fellowship covers all salary/stipend costs and operational costs. Accordingly, a single payment system has been set up wherein the enrolled doctoral student pays his/her annual dues to the consortium. The GEM consortium in turn acquits itself of the various costs associated with the student's enrollments (tuition fees, overheads, insurances ...). In line with the full-funding principle the GEM PhD School's annual tuition fee has been set at 3600€/year.

Monthly Revenue

In light of a given doctoral fellow's chosen JERP he/she will be employed for the 3-year duration of the fellowship by the associated coordinating institution. *(i.e. LUISS, the University of Warwick, or the ULB)*

In each case Research fellowship employment contracts or equivalents have been set up. Erasmus Mundus GEM Doctoral Fellows will thus receive a monthly salary provided for by an overall fund of about 100800€ over the 36 months. The exact available monthly sum will vary across institutions due to differences in national legislation and general cost structures. Moreover, there will also be variation in tax levels and thus differences in the net salary figures. Yet, all Erasmus Mundus Fellows will receive comparable monthly salaries which are in line with the cost of living indexes of their primary European country of residence.







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