

Overview

This short course covers topics related to theoretical underpinnings of World Order and various outlooks (both political and economic) on how the global order operates, with a greater emphasis on European/EU perspectives. From the perspective of global affairs, course focuses on EU politics and trends as well as its neighborhood policies, challenges and prospects.

With the use of academic literature, background materials and tailored debates, the summer school will provide a full spectrum of knowledge on global affairs from the European Perspective: zooming out on global order for a better context and zooming in on affairs in the EU and its neighborhood.

Learning Outcomes

The expected learning outcomes :

- Acquired theoretical knowledge about the concept of world order; Various outlooks on the world order and the future trends.
- Acquired theoretical knowledge about the World Economic order, major trends and outlooks.
- Acquired theoretical knowledge about the EU as a major regional supranational institution, trends and policies.
- Acquired theoretical knowledge about the EU's neighborhood policies and instruments.
- Ability to identify, analyze and discuss (both verbally and in writing) topics related to world order and current global affairs from the European perspective

Teaching Methods

The course will be taught as a combination of lectures, case studies, discussions and debates.

Company Visits:

- [The Rondeli Foundation](#)
- [Georgia's Reforms Associates](#)

Program Outline

Day 1

Current World Order: Various regional perspectives

- World Order: Theoretical underpinnings
- European/EU outlook on the world order;
- American outlook on the world order;
- Russian and Chinese outlook on the world order; **Group Debate - Towards which Order?**

Day 2

World Economic Order: Present and the Future

- From the postwar architecture of world economy to Liberal Economic Order;
- The current international economic system: trends and debates.
- Group Debate - Clash of ideologies: The specter of North-South and the Left-Right debates**

Day 3

European Union: current challenges and future outlook

- EU Government and Politics at a glance
- Brexit and the future processes in the European Union;
- Rise of populism and migration crisis in Europe;
- EU/European relations with Russia;
- Group Debate - Disinformation and hybrid warfare.**

Day 4

Conflicts in EU's Eastern Partnership countries. EU as a mediator:

- Georgia; Ukraine; Moldova;
- Armenia; Azerbaijan.

Day 5

EU's transformative power and its neighborhood policy

- Central and Eastern European Experience
- Central and Eastern European Experience
- EAP: Case Study of Georgia

Group Debate- Conditionality and Socialization as an instrument for peace and stability