EIB Summer School 2023

Exploring the EU Climate Bank

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The EIB Group is composed by the European Investment Bank and the European Investment Fund. The EIB Group is the biggest multilateral financial institution in the world and one of the largest providers of climate finance. Since 2019, the EIB follows bold ambitions for climate finance to back the European Green Deal and make Europe carbon-neutral.

Objective

Every year, the EIB Institute hosts the EIB Summer School with the aim to:

• provide Master’s students with first-hand insights about the core activities and responsibilities of the EIB Group;
• build and strengthen a network of current and future stakeholders of the EIB Group through its alumni programme.

The Summer School addresses an interdisciplinary and international group of Master’s students from selected partner universities.

Participants engage in lectures, seminars, group discussions and case studies to gain a deep understanding of the mission and impact of the EIB Group and how it answers current challenges of the EU and beyond.

The EIB Summer School is not a recruitment programme. Instead, the programme aims to foster long-term relationships and create a network of peers who share a common vision about the future of Europe and beyond.

Approach

All courses of the Summer School are delivered by EIB Group staff members who manage operational, financial, policy, credit, legal and technical challenges on a daily basis. Summer School faculty members show practical approaches to problems which are, by nature, multidisciplinary.

Participants have the unique opportunity to get the faculty’s insider view on what it means to be part of the EIB Group and how staff members apply theoretical concepts to very practical challenges of global impact.

The Summer School invites a group of 70 Master’s students to join a 10-day programme

• delivering first-hand information about the activities of the EU Climate Bank and its role in the implementation of the European Green Deal;
• offering a rich social programme for participants to engage with each other in the context of the programme.
**Content and schedule**

Independent of its format, the Summer School provides an environment in which participants can interact with those who are making an impact on everyday lives in Europe and beyond through their roles within the EIB Group.

Through their lectures, EIB staff members provide insights on how the EIB Group answers the challenges facing the EU:

- acting in the financial market as a key global player in fighting climate change;
- analysing and managing risks relevant to funding green investment projects;
- assessing investment projects from a technical, economic, legal and compliance standpoint;
- defining strategies for the promotion of the European Green Deal.

The academic programme includes plenary lectures as well as seminars which provide participants with more opportunities for interaction and discussion with the faculty and each other. The academic part of the schedule includes approximately 4-5 hours per day that will remain as interactive and engaging as possible.

In addition to the academic programme, participants follow a social programme with the aim to foster peer-learning and sustainable social networks among like-minded individuals.

Beside the curricular activities, participants will collaborate in small multi-disciplinary working groups on an assignment that they will present to a jury and their peers on the last Friday of the Summer School. The programme concludes with a festive dinner and celebration in one of Luxembourg’s castles and an (optional) alumni gathering over the weekend.

**Target students**

The EIB Summer School addresses Master’s students from all academic fields. Students with an interest in sustainability, climate change and environment as well as students with a background in engineering and other hard or life sciences are invited to apply. All participants shall have a substantial understanding of the functioning of European institutions and a basic understanding of finance & banking.

Students cannot directly apply to the EIB Summer School. The selection process for participation to the EIB Summer School is fully managed by the partner university.

While the EIB Institute will not interfere with the final selection list, we underline that all universities partnering to the EIB Summer School shall implement an inclusive selection process with special regards, but not limited to, nationality, gender and disability. This means that any necessary measures of reasonable accommodation shall be provided in the selection process as derived from the UNCRPD, which is binding on all MSs and the EU itself.

**Formal requirements**

- Master’s student
- Under 32 years of age
- Signature of participant agreement
- EU citizenship is not required. Where applicable, visa fees and handling shall be covered by the applicant.

The course language is English. Participants commit to attend all academic courses as well as all on-site activities. Upon completion, students receive a certificate of attendance issued by the EIB Institute and are eligible to take part in all EIB Summer School Alumni Programme’s activities.

**Fees**

There are no attendance fees for the Summer School. Board and accommodation of the entire official program (and of the EIB Alumni weekend) are covered by the EIB. Participants are expected to cover their travel expenses as well as costs for non-official social activities.