

Call for applications

Genshagen Trilateral Summer School 2022

EU Climate Policy in an Age of Turmoil – Can the “European Green Deal” make a Difference?

Genshagen Castle, 24-31 August 2022



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About the Summer School

Every summer since 2012, the Genshagen Trilateral Summer School brings together students and young PhD researchers from German, French, and Polish universities at Genshagen Castle close to Berlin to discuss a topic of European relevance. This year's edition will take place from 24-31 August 2022 and will deal with EU climate policy taking a specific look at the “European Green Deal”.

The structure of the Summer School will be threefold. First, a series of lectures given by experts on the topic will provide participants with an overview of different aspects, challenges, and implications of EU climate policy. This theoretical part will be complemented, secondly, by a study trip to Berlin during which participants will get the chance to discuss the Summer School topic with practitioners active in the policy field. Last but not least, students will apply their knowledge in an interactive simulation game about the adoption of a new EU law on sustainable fuels for aviation covering the most important steps of the legislative procedure at EU level, including lobby interaction with the European Commission and the co-decision procedure between the Council of the European Union and the European Parliament.

About this year's topic

The numerous natural disasters of the past years have reminded Europe that an ambitious climate policy is more urgent than ever. Accordingly, political leaders are under increased pressure to actually implement the goals laid down in the Paris Agreement of 2015. The European Union has been claiming a leading role in the fight against climate change for a long time and, in 2019, adopted the “European Green Deal”, which aims to transform Europe into the first “climate-neutral” continent. Among the concrete targets of the “Green Deal” is the commitment to achieve at least a 55 % reduction of greenhouse gas emissions by 2030 compared to 1990 levels. Although the EU presents itself to the outside world as a committed actor in the fight against climate change, inside the EU, positions on

climate targets and measures vary strongly. This is also reflected in the policy approaches of Germany, France, and Poland, which diverge on several central issues. The Genshagen Summer School 2022 aims to provide the participants with an overview of the current state of the climate debate at the European level. What are the current challenges and what different approaches are being pursued by EU member states and stakeholders from other sectors such as the economy or civil society? What shape can an effective common climate policy take and where does EU policy stand in a global context?

Who can apply?

We invite applications from **students at master's level as well as PhD students** enrolled at a German, French or Polish university (all nationalities) and students with German, French or Polish nationality enrolled at universities in other countries. Prior experience with the topic is welcome, but not obligatory. As the Summer School's working language is English, its excellent command is a prerequisite. Up to eight students from each country will be able to participate in the Summer School.

How can I apply?

Please send us a cover letter detailing why you wish to participate in the Genshagen Summer School 2022 and your interest in the topic as well as a short CV. Everything should be in English, as that is the Summer School's working language. We only accept electronic applications sent via e-mail to: summerschool@stiftunggenshagen.de. The **deadline for applications is 12 June 2022** and successful candidates will be notified by 17 June 2022.

How much does it cost?

The **tuition fee is 200€ per participant**. This also covers all costs related to your stay in Genshagen: a shared double room at the castle and all meals are included. Unfortunately, we cannot cover your trip from your hometown to Genshagen and back. Please organise your travel by yourself.

This year, we'll be able to give **stipends covering the tuition fee to a small number of participants**. So if your university cannot cover the fee, please get in touch with us.

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Summer School Programme Lineout

Introduction Day

Wednesday, 24 August 2022

Welcome and Introduction Round

Keynote Lecture:

History, actors, and challenges of EU climate policy

Day 2

Thursday, 25 August 2022

Morning Session:

Climate policies of France, Germany, and Poland in comparison

Afternoon Session:

EU climate policy in a global context

Day 3

Friday, 26 August 2022

Study trip to Berlin

Day 4

Saturday, 27 August 2022

Morning Session:

The “Fit for 55”-Package – Ambitious goals, great challenges

Afternoon Session:

The complex interplay between climate and energy in EU policies

Day 5

Sunday, 28 August 2022

Simulation game:

“Fit for 55” - ordinary legislative procedure in the field of climate protection policy

Day 6

Monday, 29 August 2022

Cultural trip to Berlin

Day 7

Tuesday, 30 August 2022

Morning Session:

The COVID-19 pandemic and its effects on EU climate policy

Afternoon Session: Climate policy and social justice

Final Day

Wednesday, 31 August 2022

Wrap-up, feedback, and farewell