**Jean Monnet Academy**

**European Union Enlargement: Past Lessons for Future Decisions**

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**2023-2026**

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**Tentative Agenda**

**Aug. 22 – Sep. 5**

**2024**

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| **Thursday, 22nd of August** | | |
| **Time** | **Lecture Topic** | **Speaker(s)** |
| **11:00 AM - 11:15 AM** | Opening Remarks: EnlargEU Objectives, Activities and Deliverables | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **11:15 AM - 12:00 PM** | The EU candidate status: What does it mean for Georgia, Moldova and Ukraine? | **Special Guest (TBC)** |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **12:15 PM - 1:00 PM** | Why does the EU enlarge in theory and practice | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **1:30 PM -2:15 PM** | How does the European Union Enlarge? – Standard Accession process | **Steven Blockmans**  *Senior Fellow at CEPS (Brussels, Belgium) and ICDS (Tallinn, Estonia); Professor at College of Europe (Bruges & Natolin)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **2:30 PM -3:15 PM** | The EU Enlargement Policy Reform: Rethinking the Path to Membership | **Steven Blockmans**  *Senior Fellow at CEPS (Brussels, Belgium) and ICDS (Tallinn, Estonia); Professor at College of Europe (Bruges & Natolin)* |
| **3:15 PM -3:30 PM** | Conclusive Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |

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| **Friday, 23rd of August** | | |
| **Time** | **Lecture Topic** | **Speaker(s)** |
| **11:00 AM - 11:15 AM** | Opening Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **11:15 AM - 12:00 PM** | Europeanization and Democratization: by what means towards what ends? | **Levan Makhashvili**  *Head of Cabinet of the Chairman of Parliament at Parliament of Georgia; Associate Professor at European University* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **12:15 PM - 1:00 PM** | Georgia on its path to Europeanization and Democratization: Achievements and Challenges | **Levan Makhashvili**  *Head of Cabinet of the Chairman of Parliament at Parliament of Georgia; Associate Professor at European University* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **1:30 PM -2:15 PM** | A Cartographic Analysis of Russia's Geopolitical Domination Strategy and Its Impact on EU Enlargement | **Francois Masclanis**  *Professor and Researcher in Economics and Geopolitics at ISG - Institut Supérieur de Gestion (Toulouse, France)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **2:30 PM -3:15 PM** | European Enlargement as Part of the EU's Strategy to Contain Russia | **Francois Masclanis**  *Professor and Researcher in Economics and Geopolitics at ISG - Institut Supérieur de Gestion (Toulouse, France)* |
| **3:15 PM -3:30 PM** | Conclusive Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **Saturday, 24th of August** | | |
| **11:00 AM - 11:15 AM** | Opening Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **11:15 AM - 12:00 PM** | Economic Criteria for the EU membership | **Tinatin Akhvlediani**  *Research Fellow at CEPS (Brussels, Belgium)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **12:15 PM -**  **1:00 PM** | Georgia’s Progress in Meeting Economic Criteria | **Tinatin Akhvlediani**  *Research Fellow at CEPS (Brussels, Belgium)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **1:30 PM -**  **2:15 PM** | How the EU Enlarges in Practice: Case Studies of 7 Rounds of Enlargement | **Levan Makhashvili**  *Head of Cabinet of the Chairman of Parliament at Parliament of Georgia; Associate Professor at European University* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **2:30 PM -**  **3:15 PM** | What Power Europe? EU-driven transformation processes from Member States to the wider neighborhood | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **3:15 PM -**  **3:30 PM** | Conclusive Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **Sunday, 25th of August** | | |
| **11:00 AM - 11:15 AM** | Opening Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **11:15 AM -**  **12:00 PM** | An overview of the founding treaties and policy documents related to the EU enlargement | **Christophe Hillion**  *Professor of Law at University of Oslo; Researcher at NUPI (Oslo, Norway)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **12:15 PM -**  **1:00 PM** | Georgia’s Progress on aligning to the EU Acquis | **Christophe Hillion**  *Professor of Law at University of Oslo; Researcher at NUPI (Oslo, N)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **1:30 PM - 2:15PM** | EU neighborhood policy: a supplement to the enlargement policy or its alternative? | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **2:30 PM -**  **3:15 PM** | From "Enlargement Fatigue" to "Accelerated Accession": The Evolution of EU Enlargement Policy | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **3:15 PM -**  **3:30 PM** | Conclusive Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **Monday, 26th of August** | | |

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| **11:00 AM - 11:15 AM** | Opening Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |
| **11:15 AM -**  **12:00 PM** | The latest institutional changes in the European Union and their impact on the enlargement policy | **Levan Makhashvili**  *Head of Cabinet of the Chairman of Parliament at Parliament of Georgia; Associate Professor at European University* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **12:15 PM -**  **1:00 PM** | The present and future of the EU enlargement: strategic agenda 2024-2029 | **Levan Makhashvili**  *Head of Cabinet of the Chairman of Parliament at Parliament of Georgia; Associate Professor at European University* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **1:30 PM - 2:15 PM** | EU Enlargement and the Geopolitics of the EU-Russia Competition | **Bidzina Lebanidze**  *Researcher at the University of Jena (Germany); Senior Analyst at GIP (Tbilisi, Georgia)* |
|  | **BREAK** |  |
| **2:30 PM -**  **3:15 PM** | The Role of the Enlargement Process in the EU’s Geopolitical Actorness | **Bidzina Lebanidze**  *Researcher at the University of Jena (Germany); Senior Analyst at GIP (Tbilisi, Georgia)* |
| **3:15 PM -**  **3:30 PM** | Conclusive Remarks | **Tatia Dolidze**  *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme* |

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| **Thursday, 5th of September**  ***Concluding Day at European University*** |

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| **11:00 AM -**  **11:15 AM** | Welcome Speeches | * **Nino Taliashvili**   *Rector*   * **Special Guest (TBC)** * **Eka Kavelidze**   *Dean of the Faculty of Law, Humanities and Social Sciences*   * **Tatia Dolidze**   *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator* |
| **11:15 AM -**  **12:00 PM**  **12:00 PM -12:45 PM**  **12:45 PM -1:30 PM** | In-Depth Keynote Speeches | * **Steven Blockmans**   *Senior Fellow at CEPS (Brussels) and ICDS (Tallinn); Professor at College of Europe (Bruges & Natolin)*   * **Christophe Hillion**   *Professor of Law at University of Oslo; Researcher at NUPI (Oslo)*   * **Francois Masclanis**   *Professor and Researcher in Economics and Geopolitics at ISG - Institut Supérieur de Gestion (Toulouse, France)* |
| **1:30 PM -**  **2:00 PM** | **Lunch Break** |  |
| **2:00 PM -**  **2:30 PM** | Academic Article Presentation | * **Tatia Dolidze**   *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator*   * **Francois Masclanis**   *Professor and Researcher in Economics and Geopolitics at ISG - Institut Supérieur de Gestion (Toulouse, France)* |
| **2:30 PM -4:00 PM** | Panel Discussions | * **Tatia Dolidze -** Moderator   *Jean Monnet Module Academic Coordinator; Associate Professor at European University; Head of the International Relations Programme*   * **Levan Makhashvili**   *Head of Cabinet of the Chairman of Parliament at Parliament of Georgia; Associate Professor at European University*   * **Erekle Iantbelidze**   *III Secretary at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the EU Assistance Coordination and Sectoral Integration Department.*   * **Bidzina Lebanidze**   *Researcher at the University of Jena (Germany); Senior Analyst at GIP (Tbilisi, Georgia)* |
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| **4:00 PM -**  **4:30 PM** | Q&A Session | Moderated by **Tatia Dolidze** |
| **4:30 PM –**  **5:00 PM** | Jean Monnet Academy Award Ceremony | Led by **Tatia Dolidze** |