



European Union Centers of Excellence | 2015 Brussels Study Tour

Dates: Sunday, 21 - Friday, 26 June 2015

General Information:

Keep your passport with you *at all times*. It is required for security at all site visits and you will be denied access without it.

Business casual dress and punctuality are required for all site visits.

Transport & Arrival Information:

Public transportation will be used throughout the trip. Upon arrival participants should purchase a multi-trip metro/tram/bus card. A 10-journey “Jump” ticket costs approximately €13.00 and can be purchased at kiosks in most metro stops. See the [STIB \(Brussels Public Transit\) Website](http://www.stib-mivb.be) for details.



To get to the EuroFlat Hotel from the airport, take the airport line bus to Place Schuman, approximately 30 minutes at a cost of €4.00 one way if ticket is purchased outside of the bus and €6 if ticket is purchased inside bus. Tickets available from GO Vending machine, located on bus station platform C. Bus station is located on level 0, one floor down from airport arrivals hall.

M-F until 8pm, take bus 12. M-F after 8pm, Saturday, and Sunday take bus 21

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Study Tour Itinerary

Sunday, 21 June

15h00 **Hotel Check-In Available**

18h00 **Tour Orientation Meeting**

Required meeting for all participants. Please be checked-in and present.
Charlemagne Meeting Room (7th Floor, EuroFlat Hotel)

19h00 **Dinner on Own / Evening: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

Monday, 22 June

08h30 Depart for European Commission
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

09h00 **Site Visit: European Union Commission**

Building Charlemagne

Rue de la Loi 170

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***Visit Details:** The European Commission (EC) is the executive body of the European Union responsible for proposing legislation, implementing decisions, upholding the EU treaties and managing the day-to-day business of the EU.*

09h15 “Role and Function of the European Commission in the EU”

10h15 Break

10h30 “Citizenship and the EU Democratic Process”

11h45 “Evolution of the EU Foreign and Security Policy”

12h30 **Group Lunch: Restaurant Maxburg**

Rue Stevin 108

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14h00 **Afternoon / Dinner on Own / Evening: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

Tuesday, 23 June (*Please Note Group Separations*)

08h45 Depart for European Parliament
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

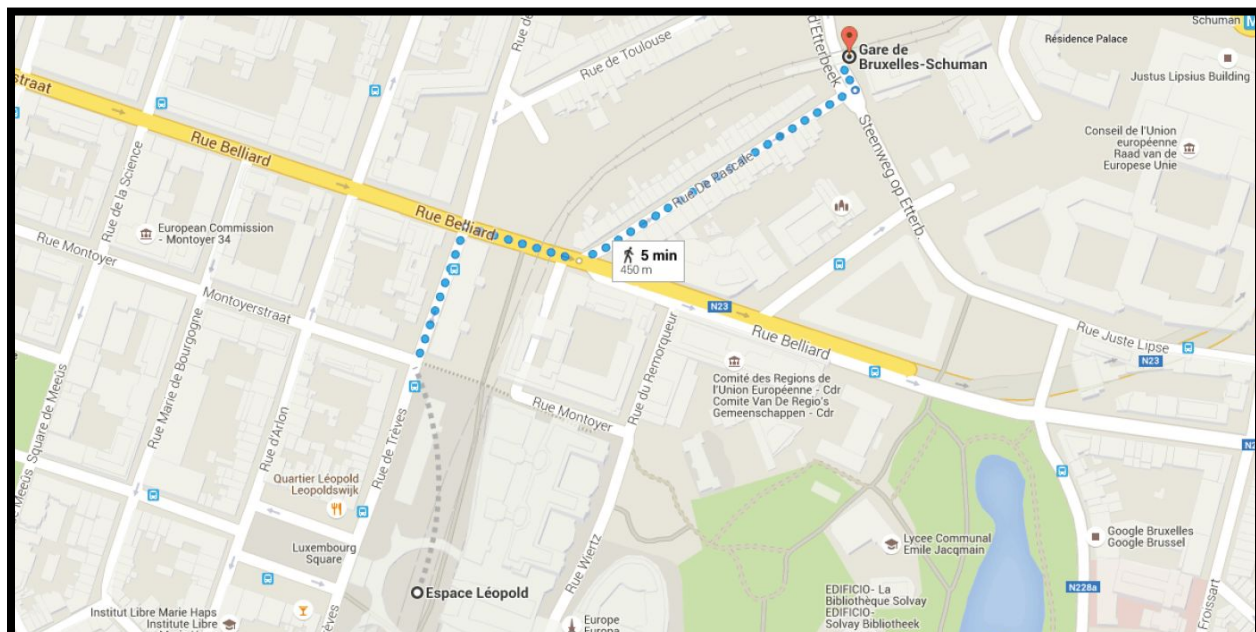
09h30 **Site Visit: EU Parliament**
Paul-Henri Spaak Building (PHS 4B47)
Rue Wiertz 60
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Visit Details: *The European Parliament (EP) is the directly elected parliamentary institution of the EU. Together with the Council of the EU (the Council) and the European Commission, it exercises the legislative function of the EU.*

09h45 *Presentation on the Role & Activities of the European Parliament*
10h15 *Question & Answer Session*
10h30 *Visit to the Plenary Chamber*

11h00 **Lunch on Own: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

12h00* **(ONLY K-12 TEACHERS)** Depart for École Européene de Bruxelles IV
Meet at Gare de Bruxelles-Schuman (see map below)



13h00*

Site Visit: École Européene de Bruxelles IV

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Visit Details: *European Schools are private-authority sponsored schools providing nursery, primary and secondary education in multiple languages. Established to provide education for children of personnel of the European Institutions and leading to the European Baccalaureate. Others admitted based on availability. Teachers are appointed by their national governments, after completing selection procedure.*

13h00 Guided Tour by Deputy Director, David Cole

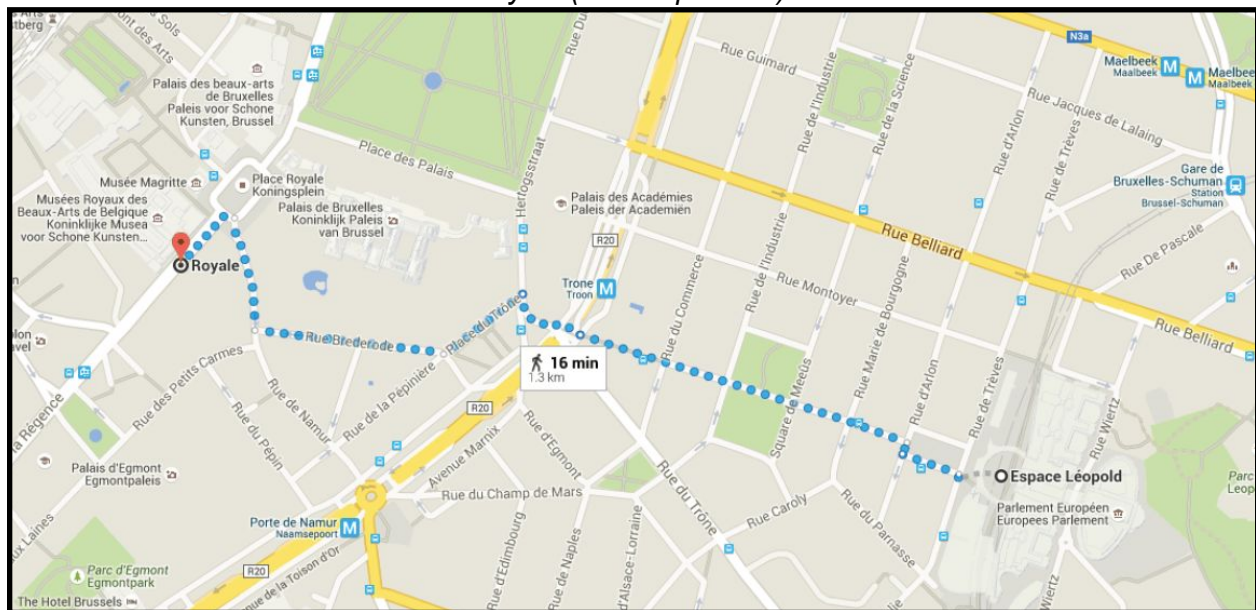
13h30 Classroom Visits

16h00 Teacher Discussions & Professional Development

13h00*

(ONLY STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY COLLEGE) Depart for ENAR

Meet at Tram Place Royale (see map below)



14h00*

Site Visit: European Network Against Racism (ENAR)

Rue Gallait 60, 3rd Floor

Contact: MiRuchael PRIVOT

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Visit Details: *ENAR is the only pan-European anti-racist network that combines advocacy for racial equality and facilitating cooperation among civil society anti-racist actors in Europe. The organisation was set up in 1998 by grassroots activists on a mission to achieve legal changes at European level and make decisive progress towards racial equality in all EU Member States.*

Remarks & Discussion with Director Michael Privot

17h30 **Dinner on Own / Evening: Free Time to Explore Brussels**
Wednesday, 24 June (*Please Note Group Separations*)

08h45* **(ONLY STUDENTS)** Depart for US Mission to the EU
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

09h15* **Site Visit: United States Mission to the European Union**
Boulevard du Regent 40
Contact: Matteo QUATTROCCHI
Tel: +32 (0)2 811 59 87 | Email: quattrocchim@state.gov

Visit Details: *The United States has maintained diplomatic relations with the European Union and its forerunners since 1953, when a U.S. Observer was appointed to the Interim Committee of the European Defense Community (EDC) and U.S. Representative to the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC).*

09h30 *Briefing by Jason Hammontree and Bridget Premont (US-EU)*
11h00 *Briefing by Dennis Garcia (US NATO)*

09h00* **(ONLY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND K-12 TEACHERS)** Depart for EACEA
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

10h00* **Site Visit: Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA)**
Rue Colonel Bourg 135-139
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Visit Details: *EACEA is responsible for the management of certain parts of the EU's funding programmes in the fields of education, culture, audiovisual, sport, citizenship and volunteering. Includes programs such as: Creative Europe, Erasmus+, Europe for Citizens, and EU Aid Volunteers.*

10h10 *Welcome & Introduction to EACEA*
10h40 *Eurydice, Erasmus+, Education and Youth Policy Analysis*

12h00 **Lunch on Own: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

14h00 **Suggested Optional Visit: Europa InfoPoint Visit & Parlamentarium**

Visit Details: *This is an opportunity for educators to access free materials for teaching lessons on Europe, the European Union, and European issues. The Parlamentarium is an interactive exhibit that allows one to see and experience the work of the EU Parliament from a unique perspective.*

15h00 **Afternoon / Dinner on Own / Evening: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

Thursday, 25 June

09h00 **Morning/Lunch: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

13h15 Depart for EEAS
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

13h45 **Site Visit: European External Action Service (EEAS)**
Rond Point Schuman 9A
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Visit Details: *The EEAS is the European Union's diplomatic service. It helps the EU's foreign affairs chief – the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy – carry out the Union's Common Foreign and Security Policy.*

14h00 Function and Role of the EEAS

14h45 Coffee Break

15h00 EU-US Relations

16h00 EU Energy Policy

17h15 **Dinner on Own/Evening: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

Friday, 26 June

09h15 Depart for Bruegel
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

10h00 **Site Visit: Bruegel**
Rue de la Charité 33
Contact: Matt DANN
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***Visit Details:** Bruegel is an independent and non-doctrinal European think tank specializing in economics. It's mission is to improve the quality of economic policy with open and fact-based research, analysis and debate. Membership includes EU Member State governments, international corporations and institutions.*

Remarks and Discussion with Matt Dann, Secretary-General

13h00 **Lunch: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

14h00 Depart for Free University Brussels | NATO Lecture
Meet in EuroFlat Hotel Lobby

15h00 **Site Visit: Free University Brussels | NATO Lecture & Discussion**
Institute for European Studies
Avenue Franklin Roosevelt 39 (Room Spaak)
Contact: Amanda Sellers

***Visit Details:** After walking through one of Brussels main universities, the group will gather in a classroom at the Institute of European Studies to hear from Amanda Sellers, a graduate of UNC's TransAtlantic Masters Program who works for NATO's Headquarters locally in Brussels. She will speak on her education and career path, but also on the conceptually unique nature of NATO as an organization and how NATO can be better taught in the classroom.*

15h15 *Remarks by Amanda Sellers*

15h30 *Question & Answer Session*

16h00 *Tour Closing Session & Visit Assessment*

17h00 **Dinner on Own/Evening: Free Time to Explore Brussels**

END OF TOUR

Saturday, 27 June

11h00

First EuroFlat Hotel Check-Out

Individual departure arrangements may vary.