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European Union - Russia: geopolitical issues of the Eurasian continent - IBL Chair

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Teacher(s)	Spetschinsky Laetitia ;				
Language :	French				
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve				
Main themes	History of Euro-Russian relations Geopolitics of the post-Soviet space: analysis of the borders of the former USSR, latent conflicts, transnational threats, regional integration dynamics (EEU, CSTO, SCO) EU-Russia issues today: sanctions, strategies of influence, energy and environmental issues Russian influence strategies around the world				
Learning outcomes	At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to: This course offers a thorough analysis of challenges arising in the relations between Russia and Europe. It covers political, economical, and security issues in this area, and the institutional tools available for dealing with them. A special attention is dedicated to the EU's external policy from 1988 until today. The overall objective is to provide students with a comprehensive view of the challenges and the processes of the Euro-Russian "common space".				
Evaluation methods	Written exam: case analysis				
Teaching methods	Traditional teaching; a syllabus will be distributed ahead of the spring break				
Content	Module 1. Geopolitics of the post-soviet space 1. Introduction to borders in the post-soviet world 2. The northern border 3. The eastern borders 4. China and Southeast Asia 5. The Caucasus and Caspian Sea 6. Ukraine and Black Sea 7. Baltic area 8. Regional integration and organisations: CSTO, EAAU MODULE 2. Russia politics, economics and security 1. Russia's political system 101 + demographics 2. Opposition in Russia 3. Political thinking: Eurasianism vs Occidentalism 4. Russian foreign policy decision. Actors and processes 5. Economy: resources and trends 6. Energy focus 7. Dodging sanctions 8. The military MODULE 3. Russia and the world 1. Influence strategies: the narratives. 2. Influence strategies: the tools. 3. Russia in Eurasia 4. Africa 5. Asia 6. South America 7. Muslim world 8. Europe Module 4. The Eu vs Russia 1. Coercing Russia 2. Supporting Ukraine 3. The EU and the world				

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Inline resources	https://www.europerussiedebats.org			
Other infos	The schedule is updated every year. The 2023-2024 course is taught in three « intensive » weeks.			
Faculty or entity in charge	EURO			

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)						
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes		
Master [120] in Political Sciences: International Relations	SPRI2M	5		•		
Master [120] in Translation	TRAD2M	5		•		
Master [120] in Interpreting	INTP2M	5		Q ,		
Master [120] in Ancient Languages and Literatures: Oriental Studies	HORI2M	5		•		
Master [120] in European Studies	EURO2M	5		•		
Master [60] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M1	5		•		
Master [120] in Public Administration	ADPU2M	5		ø.		
Master [120] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M	5		•		