

**Latvian European Community Studies Association**  
**EUROPEAN BUSINESS STUDIES NETWORK INTENSIVE SEMINAR in Brussels**  
**05-09 NOVEMBER 2018**

*Students from various Universities in Latvia, School of Business of the University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland, and Bremen University of Applied Sciences (Germany) have been invited to attend the 2018 Intensive Seminar*

Day	Time	Activity
<b>04 November, Sunday</b>	14:00-24:00	<b>Check in at the Citadines Toison d'Or Brussels</b> 61-63, avenue de la Toison d'Or, <b>Metro: Louise</b> <i>(keys will be distributed from 14:00 to 24:00 hours)</i>
<b>05 November, Monday</b>	9:20	<b>Meet at the hotel lobby</b> <i>Students should ensure that they have their identity cards or passports with them at all times as required by EU Institutions</i>
	9:30-10:45	<b>1<sup>st</sup> INTERNAL SEMINAR</b> Hotel Conference Room Group: LV, CH, DE
	11:30-12:45	<b>MID-DAY PRESS BRIEFING AT THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION</b> Berlaymont Building, 200 Rue de la Loi, Brussels <b>Metro: Schuman</b>  11:30 – Arrival and Security Check 11:45 - 12:00 - Guide: <b>Mr. Uldis SALAJEVS</b> , Press Assistant to Deputy Chief Spokesperson for EU Budget and Human Resources 12:00 - 12:45 - Mid-day Press Briefing  Group: LV, CH, DE
	12:45-13:45	<b>LUNCH</b> European Commission Canteen on participants' own expenses

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05 November, Monday	15:00-17:30	<p><b>EUROPEAN COMMISSION – Visitor’s centre</b> <i>Charlemagne Building, 170 Rue de la Loi, Brussels</i></p> <p>14:00 – Arrival at Charlemagne building and Security check</p> <p>14:15–15:15 - “Entrepreneurship and SMEs” by <b>Mr. André MEYER</b> and <b>Ms Katarzyna BALUCKA-DEBSKA</b>, from Unit COSME Programme, Entrepreneurship, SME Envoys and Relations with EASME at Directorate General Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs</p> <p>15:15 – 15:30 Break</p> <p>15:30–16:30 - “State Aid and Tax Rulings” by <b>Ms Julia RAPP</b>, from Unit Tax Planning Practices at Directorate general Competition</p> <p>16:30 – 17:30 - “Implementation of the Investment Plan for Europe – the Juncker’s plan” by <b>Monsieur Jarek TRUSZCZYNSKI</b>, from Unit Stability mechanisms and legal affairs at Directorate general Economic and Financial Affairs</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Group: LV, CH, DE</p>
	18:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Dinner</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Group: LV, CH</p>

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06 November, Tuesday	10:00	<b>Meet at the hotel lobby</b>
	11:00-12:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>EUROPEAN POLICY CENTRE - Independent think tank</b> <i>14-16 Rue du Troon, Brussels <b>Metro: Trone</b></i></p> <p>11:00-12:00 - Briefing by <b>Mr Fabian ZULEEG</b>, Chief Economist at EPC, on TASK FORCE "An Industry Action Plan for the EU"</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Group: LV, CH, DE</p>
	12:30-13:45	<b>LUNCH</b> in nearest Cafes on participants’ own expenses
	14:00-16:00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ICAB Digital &amp; Engineering Incubator</b> <i>Witte Patersstraat 4 rue des Pères Blancs, 1040 Etterbeek</i> <b>Metro: Petillon</b></p> <p>14:00-16:00 – Briefing by <b>Mr. Marnix HOUSEN</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Group: LV, CH</p>
	16:00	<b>INDIVIDUAL STUDIES / SOCIALISING / CULTURAL TIME</b>

Day	Time	Activity
07 November, Wednesday	8:15	<b>Meet at the hotel lobby</b>
	08:45-11:00	<p><b>COUNCIL of the EUROPEAN UNION</b> <i>JUSTUS LIPSIUS Building, 175 Rue de la Loi, Brussels</i></p> <p>8:45 – Arrival and security check</p> <p>9:30-11:00 – “Role of the European Council and the Council of the European Union within the European Institutions” by <b>Mr. Thomas BRANDTNER</b>, Head of Competition, Customs Union, Company Law, Intellectual Property, Public Procurement Unit, Competitiveness Directorate General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union</p> <p>Group: LV, CH, DE</p>
	11:30-13:15	<p><b>COMMITTEE of the REGIONS</b> <i>Room JDE 63, 100 Rue Belliard, Brussels, Metro: Maelbeek</i></p> <p>11:30 – Arrival and security check</p> <p>12:00-13:15 - Briefings by <b>Mr. Wolfgang PETZOLD</b> and <b>Mr. Klaus HULLMANN</b>, Speaker for economic issues at the CoR</p> <p>Group: LV, DE</p>
	13:30-14:30	<p><b>LUNCH</b></p> <p>in nearest Cafes on participants’ own expenses</p>
	15:00-18:00	<p><b>GLOBAL THINK TANK SUMMIT 2018</b> <i>BOZAAR, Palais des Beaux-Arts, 23 Rue Ravensteinstraat, Brussels</i> <i>Metro: Parc</i></p> <p>15:30-16:00 – Registration &amp; welcome coffee</p> <p>16:00-16:30 – Welcome hosts and organizers by <b>Mr. James McGann</b>, Director, Think Tank and Civil Societies Program, The Lauder Institute, University of Pennsylvania, and <b>Mr. Guntram B. Wolff</b>, Director</p> <p>16:30-17:00 – Keynote speech: “New Trade Patterns, Alliances and Paradigms” by <b>Cecilia Malmström</b>, European Commissioner for Trade</p> <p>17:00-18:00 - Plenary Panel: “How can globalisation and global competition be managed fairly?” by chair: <b>Aart de Geus</b>, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Bertelsmann Stiftung; panellists: <b>Edward Kofi Anan Brown</b>, Senior Director Research and Policy Engagements, African Center for Economic Transformation; <b>Jacob Funk Kirkegaard</b>, External author; <b>Catherine McBride</b>, Senior Economist International Trade and Competition Unit, Institute of Economic Affairs; <b>Jan Mischke</b>, MGI Partner, Zurich; <b>Izumi Ohno</b>, Director, Japan International Cooperation Agency Research Institute; <b>Zhao Hai</b>, Research Fellow, Institute of World Economics and Politics, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences</p> <p>Group: LV, DE</p>
	18:00	<b>SOCIALISING / CULTURAL TIME</b>

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08 November Thursday	8:00	Meet at the hotel lobby	
	08:30-13:15	<p><b>EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT</b> <i>60 Rue Wiertz, 1047 Brussels, <b>Metro: Trône</b></i></p> <p>08:30 – Arrival and Security check 09:00 - Briefing by MEP <b>Mr Joachim SCHUSTE</b> 12:00-12:45 - Briefing by MEP <b>Mrs Helga TRUPEL</b> 12:45-13:15 general presentation of the European Parliament from the Visitors Service's representative</p> <p>Group: LV, CH, DE</p>	
	10:15-12:00	<p><b>EUROPCOM 2018: 9TH EUROPEAN PUBLIC COMMUNICATION CONFERENCE</b> <i>at the European Parliament building</i> <a href="https://cor.europa.eu/en/events/Pages/EuroPCom-2018.aspx">https://cor.europa.eu/en/events/Pages/EuroPCom-2018.aspx</a></p> <p>Group: LV, CH, DE</p>	<p><b>EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT CULTURAL COMMITTEE</b> <i>at the European Parliament building</i></p> <p>Group: LV, CH, DE</p>
	13:00-14:15	<p><b>LUNCH</b> in Commission Canteen on participants' own expenses</p>	
	14:30-16:00	<p><b>HOUSE OF EUROPEAN HISTORY</b> <i>135 Rue Belliard, Brussels <b>Metro: Schuman</b></i></p> <p>14:30-16:00 – Visit to the House of European History</p> <p>Group: LV, CH</p>	
	16:00	<p><b>INDIVIDUAL STUDIES / SOCIALISING / CULTURAL TIME</b></p>	
Day	Time	Activity	
09 November Friday	9:30	Meeting at the hotel lobby	
	10:00-11:00	<p><b>TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL EU</b> <i>10 Rue de l'Industrie, Brussels <b>Metro: Trone</b></i></p> <p>10:00-11:00 - Briefing by <b>Mr Leo Hoffmann-Axthelm</b>, "Research&amp; Advocacy Coordinator Eurozone governance" <a href="https://transparency.eu/project/euro/">https://transparency.eu/project/euro/</a></p> <p>Group: DE, LV, CH</p>	
	11:00-12:00	<p><b>DEBRIEFING</b> of the Study Tour. Summarizing of the study week. Briefing on further tasks</p> <p>Group: CH, LV</p>	
12:00	<p><b>Cultural time</b> <i>(Suggestion to visit Magritte Museum and see more of Brussels city)</i></p> <p><b>End of the Study Visit</b></p>		