

Course title:	Principles of Macroeconomics (the Current European context)
Institute/Division:	Institute of Economics, Sociology and Philosophy
Course code:	
Erasmus subject code:	
Number of contact hours:	30
Course duration:	1 semester
ECTS credits:	4
Course description:	<p>The purpose of the course is to study basic macroeconomic models in order to explain various economic developments in the European Union countries. Students are expected to be able to: (i) recognize differences between several most important economic schools (Classical and Keynesian, New Classical and New Keynesian), (ii) thoroughly understand the structure of several macroeconomic models, as IS-LM-BP and AD-AS models, (iii) use methodology and techniques studied in conceptualizing and postulating important issues, such as (a) capital flows between EU countries, (b) problem of excessive debt accumulation, (c) determination of nominal and real exchange rates, (d) macroeconomic policy coordination, (iv) evaluate macroeconomic (monetary and fiscal) policies in the Central and Eastern European countries. Content of the course is aimed at several most important issues regarding the macroeconomic environment of the European Union. The structure of the course is selected as follows: income accounting and the balance-of-payments, consumption, saving behaviour and credit markets, growth models, IS-LM-BP model, AD-AS model and potential output, New Classical Macro and New Keynesian explanations of the business cycle, modern functioning of the labour markets, money, interest and inflation, Phillips curve, monetarism and expectations, benefits and risks of common currency, supply-side policies in the European countries, costs and benefits of migration, regional policies, problems of public debt, policy coordination in the Central and Eastern European countries. A focus will be given to theoretical foundations behind actual macroeconomic developments in the European Union, as opening of the labour markets, aging of population, spillover effects of trade and capital flows.</p>
Literature:	<p>Burda, M., and Wyplosz, C. <i>Macroeconomics: A European Text</i>, 5th Edition, Oxford University Press, 2008. Handouts containing 60 to 70 slides are to be provided for every of 14 lectures. Selected articles from <i>The Economist</i>.</p>
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Deadline for application:	15th of September