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Institute for European Studies

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The European Documentation and Research Centre has changed its name to **Institute for European Studies**. The change was unanimously approved by the Centre's Board meeting on the 18 October 2011 and subsequently by the University Senate and Council. This name change has been under consideration for quite some time and was motivated by various reasons. In particular, the previous name did not immediately convey the main role and functions of the Centre, especially to students and the general public as well as overseas academics and institutions of research and learning. Since the name was long, generally the acronym EDRC was used instead, making it even less comprehensible. Furthermore, the inclusion of the word "documentation" led to some further confusion. The new name "Institute for European Studies" is more direct and immediately conveys our main functions, i.e. teaching and research in European Studies. The feedback that we have received so far from our many well-wishers has been positive. We believe that the new appellation, whilst not substantially changing the nature or trust of what we do, will help us to present ourselves better both locally and abroad.

The Institute for European Studies maintains the links and memberships in networks such as TEPSA, FEMISE, EUROMESCO, LISBOAN and EPERN.

In addition the Board has also approved a new research strategy or roadmap for the next three years. This strategy builds on the skills and specializations of the Institute's resident academic staff, its overseas affiliations and the Institute's objectives. EU policies, the Mediterranean, small states, Malta in the EU, the Stability and Growth Pact, EU governance and sustainable development are amongst the themes that are at the core of this roadmap. The Institute plans to pursue this agenda vigorously and will try to develop synergies with Maltese and overseas institutions with similar interests.

The Academic Staff of the Institute



From left: Mr Stefano Moncada, Ms Moira Catania, Professor Roderick Pace (Director), Mr Jean Micallef Grimaud, Dr Marcello Carammia, Dr Mark Harwood

Academic Body of the Institute

The resident academic staff complement of the Institute has been strengthened further this academic year with the addition of Dr Marcello Carammia. The resident academic staff now consists of the following:



Professor Roderick Pace

BA (Hons) (Philosophy), MA in International Affairs (SAIS-BC, Johns Hopkins University), Ph.D. (Politics, University of Reading)

Roderick Pace is the Director of the Institute for European Studies. After completing his bachelor degree in philosophy in Malta he went on to graduate in International Affairs after two years of study at the Bologna Centre of the Johns Hopkins University. Subsequently he completed his Ph.D. in politics at the University of Reading in the United Kingdom. His main research interests are in foreign policy analysis, Euro-Mediterranean Relations, small states in world politics and in the EU. He has also published extensively on Malta and the European Union and on Malta's foreign policy and politics. He is a member of the editorial board of the journal *South European Society and Politics* published by Taylor and Francis.

Professor Pace also has an ongoing interest in plans on European unity. In 2010 he published jointly with Peter van den Dungen, John Bellers's 1710 essay *Some Reasons for an European State*. In 2008 he edited a translation of the *Abrégé* of the Abbé de Saint-Pierre which was published by Midsea Books, Malta. Some of his most recent contributions include: An entry on the Abbé de Saint-Pierre in N. Young (ed.), *Oxford International Encyclopedia of Peace*, Volume IV, 2010; "The Mediterranean Union from the Perspective of the Mediterranean Island States" in *Etudes Helleniques*, Volume 17, no 2, 2009; "The European Neighbourhood Policy: The Southern Dimension" in M. Comelli, A. Erlap and Cigdem Ustun (eds.) "The European Neighbourhood Policy and the Southern Mediterranean", METU press, Ankara, 2009; "Malta: EU Scepticism in a polarized Polity", *South European Society and Politics*, 24 December 2009; "The Mediterranean Union Risks being Stillborn", *Europe's World*, Summer 2009; Jointly with S. Stavridis: "The Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly, 2004-2008: Assessing the First Years of the Parliamentary Dimension of the Barcelona Process", *Mediterranean Quarterly*, Duke University Press, Volume 21, no 2, Spring 2010 & "The EMPA and Parliamentary Diplomacy in the Mediterranean: A Preliminary Assessment" in S. Stavridis and N. F. Sola (eds.), *Factores Políticos Y De Seguridad en el Area Euro-Mediterranea*, Pressas Universitarias de Zaragoza, 2009; also (with S. Stavridis) "Assessing The Impact of the EMPA's Parliamentary Diplomacy in International Conflicts: Contribution or Obstacle?" in Gregorio Garzon Clariana (ed), *The Euro-Mediterranean Assembly*, Marcial Pons, Madrid, Barcelona and Buenos Aires, 2011; *Euroscepticism in a Polarised Polity* in Susanah Varney (ed) "Euroscepticism in Southern Europe: A Diachronic Perspective", Routledge, 2011.



Dr. Mark Harwood

B.A.(Hons), M.A.(Sussex), Ph.D.

Mark Harwood has been an academic at the University of Malta since 2003. Previously he was employed with the European Commission where he worked as an Economics Officer. Mark studied for his BA (Hons) in International Relations at the University of Malta in the 1990s before winning an EU-funded scholarship to study for the Masters in Contemporary European Studies at the University of Sussex in the United Kingdom. In 2009 Mark completed his Doctoral thesis in Public Management with a study on the Europeanization of the Maltese Public Administration. Mark teaches courses in comparative politics, EU policy, lobbying and Europeanization. He also acts as the Institute's Erasmus Coordinator.



Dr. Marcello Carammia

BA, MA (Catania), Ph.D (Siena)

Marcello Carammia is a lecturer in European politics at the Institute for European Studies, which he joined in October 2011. He was admitted to the Ph.D. in Comparative and European Politics at the University of Siena in 2008. Between 2009 and 2011 he was a post-doctoral fellow and adjunct professor at the University of Catania. He has been a visiting scholar at the universities of Sheffield, Zaragoza, and at the Centre for European Studies of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. His research focuses on comparative and EU politics and public policy, with a special interest on immigration policy. He is a member of the Comparative Agendas Project (www.comparativeagendas.org), where he is co-director of the Italian team and a member of the EU team.



Mr Stefano Moncada

Development Economics (Rome), M.A. (European Studies)

Stefano Moncada obtained a first class degree in 'Economics of the International cooperation and development studies' from the University of Rome "La Sapienza" and a Masters in European Studies from the University of Malta. He joined the Institute in July 2008. Previously he worked for seven years in the Italian Parliament, as manager and policy analyst in charge of policy coordination between parliamentary groups. He also worked as a consultant in several development projects based in Albania, Mexico and Mali. Mr Moncada has worked with the Malta Environment and Planning Authority (MEPA) as senior research officer, where he was in charge of a research project funded by the EU Commission dealing with sustainability issues and the development of impact assessment tools. He lectures and researches in the areas of development economics, climate change and European studies. He is currently reading for a Ph.D with the Economics Department, within the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy of the University of Malta. The title of his Ph.D is "Aid to Adapt: The Sensitivity of EU Aid to Adaptation to Climate Change in Small Island Developing States - Implications for Development". His supervisors are Dr. Gordon Cordina (University of Malta) and Prof. Elisabetta Basile (University of Rome "La Sapienza").



Mr Jean Micallef Grimaud

BA (Hons) (European Studies), MA (European Studies, College of Europe, Bruges)

Jean Micallef Grimaud obtained a BA (Hons) degree in European Studies after four years of study at the European Documentation and Research Centre of the University of Malta and subsequently a Masters degree in European Political and Administrative Studies at the College of Europe in Bruges. He joined the Institute as a full-time member of the resident academic staff in July 2009 where he lectures and researches in the areas of EU policy-making and policy cycles, small state influence in EU policy-making, the EU institutions, and theoretical foundations of EU integration, amongst others. Previously, he held positions at the Office of the Prime Minister and was a member of Malta's Diplomatic Corps. He served as a First Secretary at the Permanent Representation of Malta to the European Union in Brussels where he held positions as a Technical Attaché on the EU Structural Funds, a member of the Cabinet of the Permanent Representative, and finally MERTENS, a position held by top-level diplomats. He is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in the area of small state influence in the shaping stages of EU policy-making at the Manchester Metropolitan University with Professor Neill Nugent as supervisor to this research.



Ms Moira Catania

BA (Hons) (Economics), MA (European Studies)

Moira Catania joined the resident academic staff of the Institute in October 2010. She graduated BA (Hons) in Economics, obtaining a first class degree in 1994 and MA in European Studies with Distinction in 1998. From July 1994 till October 2010, she worked at the Economic Policy Department at the Ministry of Finance, the Economy and Investment. In 2002, she was appointed Director (Economic Strategy) within the Economic Policy Department. Ms Catania has worked extensively on issues related to the monitoring and analysis of the domestic economy, macroeconomic policy, and on the EU economic policy coordination and fiscal surveillance processes.

Ms Catania teaches an introductory economics course as well as study units related to economics of European Integration and EU economic policies. Her main research interests concern EU economic policy areas, including economic integration, economic and monetary union, the Stability and Growth Pact, regional cohesion and trade policy, as well as Malta in the EU, particularly economic and monetary union and competitiveness issues.

Ms Catania is pursuing her Ph.D at the School of Social and International Studies at the University of Bradford, UK. Her Ph.D research is on the role of national fiscal rules and fiscal institutions within the context of the EU's Stability and Growth Pact, with a case study on Malta.



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Institute for European Studies

The Institute for European Studies which was previously known as European Documentation and Research Centre, was established at the University of Malta in 1992 and was granted in 2004 the status *Jean Monnet European Centre of Excellence* by the European Commission. It operates as a research and teaching centre in the area of European policy studies. In addition to publishing papers, studies and books on developments in the EU and on EU-Malta and Euro-Mediterranean relations. It organises conferences and seminars for a wide range of audiences and publishes a regular Newsletter.



Courses at the Institute



The Institute for European Studies runs an evening part-time Diploma Course which commences every two-years. The Bachelor in European Studies

(Honours) has been running on a full-time basis since 1996 and the Masters in European Studies since 1994. All the courses respect the requirements of the Bologna Process: the two year diploma is valued at 60 credits, the Bachelor degree 180 credits and the Masters taught over 12 months of full-time or 24 months of part-time study, including the dissertation, is worth 90 credits. One credit is equivalent to one ECTS. Students on both the Masters and Bachelor's courses have the opportunity of spending at least one

semester of study in a European University as part of the Erasmus exchange programme.

The Institute also runs a Ph.D. programme. Prospective candidates are encouraged to consult the Institute's web-page and familiarize themselves with its ongoing research interests or alternatively consult a senior member of the academic staff for advice.