

## CERTIFICATE

A certificate of participation with **10 ECTS** will be issued at the conclusion of the summer school.

## FEES

The total fee is **€ 590**. This charge includes full tuition costs, accommodation, and meals. Each participant must meet the cost of travel to and from Frankfurt (Oder). Further details can be obtained from the address below.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Written applications should include:

- the application form,
- proof of competence in the English language

All applications must be written in English.

## APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications should be received by 30<sup>th</sup> of April 2026 at the address below

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## The Viadrina European University – History and Location

The Viadrina European University, refounded in 1991, began its first academic year in 1992, continuing the fine tradition of the first State University of Brandenburg (Alma Mater Viadrina, 1506–1811). Today it especially endeavours to face the challenge of a newly open and expanded Europe. In co-operation with Polish and other affiliated European universities, the Viadrina, due to its unique geography and history, plays a special role as a bridge between Eastern and Western Europe. The University's Faculties go beyond the confines of their own disciplines, so as to work together to meet challenges involved in building a common European house.

Small class sizes allow students excellent supervision and personal contact with the professors, thus providing excellent study conditions. Students at the Viadrina enjoy a peaceful and productive atmosphere in preparing for their exams.

Frankfurt (Oder) lies directly on the border with Poland, 90 kilometers east of Berlin (45 minutes away by public transport). The city, with a population of 70.000 has changed considerably over the last few years and has become increasingly attractive for young people seeking a suitable place for study.



## Summer School The European System of Human Rights Protection - ECHR

06 – 17 July 2026  
Frankfurt (Oder)  
Germany



Open Council of Europe  
Academic Networks

## OBJECTIVE

This Summer School will deal in detail specifically with the European system for the protection of human rights. Although there are numerous summer schools and other special study programs within Europe on the human rights protection, this school concentrates on an integrated treatment of the various European systems and of specifically European issues of human rights protection, that is, with important matters relevant to over forty European countries with diverse political, economic and social systems.

The subject matter, therefore, includes human rights protection under the regimes of the Council of Europe (the European Convention on Human Rights and the European Social Charta), the European Union and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (Helsinki Accords), as well as that on the universal level of public international law.

The treatment of these substantive regimes and their specific rights catalogues will be set against the background of a consideration of the philosophical, historical, political, economic and sociological aspects of human rights, and include practical institutional matters such as complaint procedures as well as developments as in the area of 'New Rights'.

This comprehensive school has been organized by and will be presented by a dedicated group of experienced and expert teachers from universities in different European countries, co-ordinated by the Viadrina European University Frankfurt (Oder) (Germany).

## PROGRAM AND LECTURERS

### **Individual complaint procedure**

Judge ECtHR Anna Adamska-Gallant

### **Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and Europe**

Prof Dr Pablo Pareja Alcaraz, Barcelona

### **Right to life**

Prof JUDr PhDr Veronika Bilkova, Prague

### **Prohibition of discrimination**

Prof Gerard C. Rowe, Frankfurt (Oder)

### **Freedom of expression**

Dr Agata Fijalkowski, Leeds

### **Freedom of religion**

Dr Aleksander Gadkowski, Poznan

### **Prohibition of slavery**

Prof Ryszard Piotrowicz, Aberystwyth

### **Right to liberty and security**

Mag. Andreas Sauermoser, Vienna

### **Prohibition of torture**

Dr Dimitrios Kagiaros, Durham

### **Right to private and family life**

Dr habil Anikó Szalai, Szeged

### **The right to fair trial in criminal cases**

Prof Dr Paul Mevis, Rotterdam

### **Freedom of assembly and association**

Prof Dr Jernej Letnar Čeranič, Kranj

### **Migration and refugees**

Dr Ulrike Brandl, Salzburg

### **Self-determination and minorities**

Prof Dr Carmen Thiele, Frankfurt (Oder)

### **Human rights protection in armed conflicts**

Prof Natalia Szablewska, Milton Keynes

## WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

This school is specially designed for young academics and researchers, graduates or advanced students in order to provide students from all countries of both Western and Eastern Europe and other regions of the world with an opportunity to expand their knowledge of human rights law and policy within the transnational European context.

Participants are expected to attend the whole program.

Participating students should

- have a good working knowledge of English;
- be at an advanced stage of their studies and;
- have at least a basic understanding of public international law.

## TEACHING METHODS AND MATERIALS

Held in English, the summer school will combine lecture and discussion approaches. Lectures will have a maximum number of 60 participants, while discussion groups will be limited to 30 participants. Participants will be expected to be actively involved, including the reading of materials set in advance for each session.

## ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation in modern students' apartments (containing either single or twin bedrooms, with own kitchen and bathroom) will be provided for each participant.

## VISAS

Lectures will take place in Germany, but accommodation is located in Słubice, Poland (across the Oder River from Frankfurt). Therefore, each participant may, depending on nationality, be required to hold multiple entry visa for both Germany and Poland