



EUROPEAN INTEGRATION AND ECONOMIC AND INTERNATIONAL LAW

FIRST BLOCK. EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

The first bloc of the course introduces the main historical, economic, institutional and social aspects leading to the current developments of the European Union and its policies. The course is designed for students with a good background in economic history in general and some knowledge of international trade theory and policy analysis. It is based on lectures and some limited compulsory readings. Other readings are suggested for further analysis. Whenever is scheduled, the student is expected to work compulsory readings previous to lectures. The latter are conceived as the time to discuss the evidence shown in the readings and derive conclusions.

Session 1

Introduction to the course and to the topic

Session 2

The Reconstruction of Western Europe

Recommended readings:

Barry Eichengreen, «Institutions and economic growth: Europe after World War II», in Nicholas Crafts & Gianni Toniolo (eds.), *Economic growth in Europe since 1945*, Cambridge University Press, 1996, pp. 38-65.

Alan S. Milward, *The Reconstruction of Western Europe, 1945-51*, London and New York, Routledge, 1984.

Alan S. Milward and Vibeke Sørensen, "Interdependence or integration? A national choice", in Alan S. Milward, Frances M.B. Lynch, Federico Romero, Ruggero Ranieri and Vibeke Sørensen, *The Frontier of National Sovereignty. History and Theory 1945-1992*, London and New York, Routledge, 1992.

Till Geiger Reconstruction and the beginnings of European Integration in Schulze, Max D. (ed.), *Western Europe. Economic and social change since 1945*, London, Longman, 1997, pp.23-42.

Session 3

The European Coal and Steel Community: the origins of European integration

Recommended readings:

John Gillingham, *Coal, steel and the rebirth of Europe, 1945-1955. The Germans and French from Ruhr conflict to economic community*, Cambridge, 1991.

Philippe Mioche, *Les cinquante années de l'Europe du charbon et de l'acier, 1952-2002*, Luxembourg, European Communities, 2004 (very basic but complete introductory text to ECSC's fifty years of activity).

Session 4

A regional trading system: the OEEC

Recommended reading:

Larry Neal & Daniel Barbezat, *The Economics of the European Union and the Economies of Europe*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1998, chapter 2 ('European Economic Integration'), pp. 25 ff.

Session 5

A regional payments system: the EPU

Recommended reading:

Barry Eichengreen, *Reconstructing Europe's trade and payments. The European Payments Union*, Ann Arbor, University of Michigan Press, 1993.

Session 6

A regional trading system leading towards the EEC

Recommended reading:

Alan S. Milward, *The European Rescue of the Nation-State*, London, Routledge, 2^a ed., 2000, chapter 4 ("Foreign Trade, economic and social advance, and the origins of the European Economic Community"), pp.119-223.

Session 7

The Community institutional system

Recommended reading:

Richard Baldwin & Charles Wyplosz, *The Economics of European Integration*, London, McGraw-Hill, chapter 2.

Recommended websites:

www.europa.eu/index_en.htm for the list of all EU institutions.

www.europarl.eu

www.consilium.europa.eu

<http://ec.europa.eu/>

Session 8

Mid-term exam

Session 9

Class correction of the mid-term exam

Session 10

The first EEC policies: the Customs Union

Recommended reading:

Larry Neal & Daniel Barbezat, *The Economics of the European Union and the Economies of Europe*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1998, chapter 3 ("The Custom Union: A Step Forward or a Step Behind?"), pp. 48 ff.

Session 11

The first EEC policies: the Common Agricultural Policy

Recommended readings:

Larry Neal & Daniel Barbezat, *The Economics of the European Union and the Economies of Europe*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1998, chapter 6 ("The Common Agricultural Policy: Economic Efficiency vs. Self-sufficiency"), pp. 110 ff.

Richard Baldwin & Charles Wyplosz, *The Economics of European Integration*, London, McGraw-Hill, chapter 8.

Ann-Christina Lauring Knudsen, "European Integration in the Image and the Shadow of Agriculture" in Desmon Dinan, *Origins and Evolution of the European Union*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2006, pp. 191-217.

Recommended website:

http://ec.europa.eu/agriculture/index_en.htm

Session 12

The European response to the collapse of the fixed-exchange monetary system: the snake and the EMS

Recommended readings:

Richard Baldwin & Charles Wyplosz, *The Economics of European Integration*, London, McGraw-Hill, chapter 10, pp. 284-288; chapter 12, pp. 313-326

Larry Neal & Daniel Barbezat, *The Economics of the European Union and the Economies of Europe*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1998, chapter 7, pp.149-156

Session 13

The European Monetary Policy: the ECB and Euro

Recommended readings:

Richard Baldwin & Charles Wyplosz, *The Economics of European Integration*, London, McGraw-Hill, chapter 16.

Session 14

The European Union in the American mirror: productivity divergence in the last twenty years

Recommended readings:

European Commission, *European Competitiveness Report 2006* (last one available) at http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/enterprise_policy/competitiveness/index_en.htm

OECD, *Economic Policy Reform. Going for Growth*. 2006 (Paris: OECD, 2006).

Session 15 and last

Conclusions, comments and questions

Websites:

- Descriptions of EU institutions (and much more) can be found on the European Parliament's website:
http://www.europarl.eu.int/factsheets/default_en.htm
- The Commission's website is less well organized (it is organized by bureaucratic departments, but since the task-allocation is partly political, the organization can seem ad hoc), but has a lot of very up-to-date information on various programmes. The best way to find things is to use www.google.com typing in the subject (e.g. competition policy) and "European Commission" in quotes.
- The History Department of Leiden University maintains a good site on EU history in its broadest sense. The index also contains many links to European institutions, etc. Many original documents can be download (e.g. the Treaty of Rome) by following the links:
<http://www.let.leidenuniv.nl/history/rtg/res1/index.htm>
- Key dates of post-war economic integration in Western Europe can be downloaded from:
http://www.europa.eu.int/abc/history/index_en.htm
<http://www.hec.unil.ch/mbrulhar/Eurecon/euchron310.pdf>
- The European Union's official history of European Integration can be found at: http://www.europa.eu.int/abc/history/index_en.htm
- See www.wto.org for a history of GATT.

SECOND BLOCK. INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW: GATT-WTO

The second block of the course introduces the main historical, institutional and practical aspects leading to the development of the International trade institutions GATT and WTO. The course is designed for students with some knowledge of history in general and some knowledge of international trade theory and policy analysis. It is based on lectures and some limited research. Readings are also suggested for further analysis. Whenever they are scheduled, these readings will serve to discuss certain topics and help to derive conclusions.

Session 1

Introduction to the course and to the topic

Session 2

The institutionalization of the Post war economic model; Bretton Woods and the failure of the International Trade Organisation

Recommended readings:

- Maria Ávila, A. [et. al.] "La OIC" en *Regulación del comercio internacional tras la Ronda Uruguay*, Tecnos, 1994, pp. 34 ss.
- Culbert, J., "Wartime Anglo-American Talks and the Making of the GATT" in *The World Economy*, 1987, vol.10, num.4
- Gardner, R., *Sterling-Dollar Diplomacy*, Clarendon press, Oxford, 1955

Session 3

The General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs: origins and characteristics

Recommended readings:

- Jackson, J., "The puzzle of GATT: Legal aspects of a surprising institution" en *Journal of World Trade Law*, March-April 1967, vol. I & II
- Hudec, R., *The GATT legal system and world trade diplomacy*, 2nd. Ed., Butterworth legal publ. , Salem, 1990
- Matsuchita, M., [et. al.], *The World Trade Organisation. Law, practice, and policy*. (2^o ed.) Oxford University Press, 2006. chapter 1, part 1, pp.1 ff.

Session 4

The material content of GATT: principles, mechanisms and safeguards

Recommended reading:

- Jackson, J., *The World trading system*, MIT Press, 2nd Ed. 2000, pp.139 ss
- Maria Ávila, A. [et. al.] "Análisis del GATT" en *Regulación del comercio internacional tras la Ronda Uruguay*, Tecnos, 1994, pp. 43 ss

Session 5

From GATT to WTO: the Uruguay Round

Recommended reading:

- Lowenfield, A., "Remedies along with rights: institutional reform in the new GATT" in *American Journal of International Law*,, 1994, num. 3, pp.447-488
- Jiménez, C., "The Uruguay Round and international trade" in *GATT, WTO and the regulation of international trade in textiles*, Ashgate, Aldershot, 1997, pp. 237 ss

Session 6

The WTO: a new institutional framework for international trade

Recommended websites & reading:

- www.wto.org
- Matsuchita, M., [et. al.], "The WTO: functions and structure" *The World Trade Organisation. Law, practice, and policy*. (2^o ed.) Oxford University Press, 2006. chapter 1, part 6, pp.9 ss

Session 7

The material content of the WTO

Recommended websites and readings:

- www.wto.org

- Walker, V., "Keeping the WTO from becoming the World Trans-Science Organisation" in *Cornell Int. Law Journal*, 1998, vol. 31, num.2, pp.251-320

Session 8

Mid-term exam

Session 9

Class correction of the mid-term exam

Session 10

The dispute settlement mechanism in WTO

Recommended websites and readings:

- www.wto.org
- Matsuchita, M., [et. al.], "Dispute Settlement" *The World Trade Organisation. Law, practice, and policy*. (2° ed.) Oxford University Press, 2006. chapter 4, pp.103 ss

Session 11

The content of the GATT 94' agreement and its supervision by the DSB through case studies

Recommended reading:

- The GATT 94' and GATT 1947 Agreement
- extracts of the tuna case
- extracts of the Preference Generalised System of the EC

Session 12

The content of the GATS agreement and its supervision by the DSB through a case study

Recommended readings:

- The GATS agreement
- Extracts of the gambling case

Session 13

The content of the TRIPS agreement and its supervision by the DSB

Recommended readings:

- The TRIPS agreement
- Extracts of the Banana case: countervailing measures

Session 14

Facing present and future challenges. The Doha Agenda negotiations

Recommended readings:

- The Doha Agenda (www.wto.org)
- Matsuchita, M., [et. al.], "Future Challenges" *The World Trade Organisation. Law, practice, and policy*. (2^o ed.) Oxford University Press, 2006. chapter 23, pp.907 ss

Session 15 and last

Conclusions, comments and questions

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Evaluation criteria

Regular-term and September evaluation

Class preparation and participation	10%
Mid-term exam	40%
Final exam	50%

Important Notes

1. In the September evaluation, the grades earned during the term (participation and mid-term exam) are kept to compute the average grade of the course and, therefore, the September examination accounts for 50 % of the final grade.
2. Mid-term exam is compulsory. In case of not attendance for justified and documented reasons, its grade is accumulated to the final exam. In case of not attendance without justified or documented reasons, the grade is 0 points.
3. In case of not attendance to the final exam, both in the regular or the September evaluation, the overall grade of the course is "Not Attended".
4. The final exam, both in the regular and the September evaluation, is a comprehensive exam of both parts of the course: 1) European Integration, and 2) Economic and International Economic Law.