



EUROPE IN THE GLOBAL WORLD A.Y. 2023-24

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QUESTIONS FOR THE FINAL DEBATE (13 Oct 2023)

Please bear in mind that EGW is a **history** course and that you must answer questions accordingly (that is: do not refer to our present times unless asked so by the question).

- 1) Is Cold War bipolarism the best tool to explain global history after 1945?
- 2) Did the global South provide an alternative to Western capitalism and/or Soviet socialism?
- 3) Which causes led to the emergence of China as an international player from 1945 to 2001?
- 4) How, and to what extent, did the historical memory of WWII affect Japan's role in Asia? (do not necessarily address the 'comfort women' issue)
- 5) What is the legacy of past decades on today's global governance?

Additional questions you may want to also consider while preparing for the debate:

- ☐ What place does Europe have in post-WWII global governance?
- ☐ Were multilateral organizations (eg. UN, IMF, World Bank) independent from national governments?



- ☐ What does China's economic ascendancy over the past 40 years tell us about the co-existence of plan and market?

INSTRUCTIONS

Each student will prepare in advance on the questions they prefer

There will be two rounds of debate

In the first round, instructors will give the floor to each student for max 2 minutes

Only after the first round has concluded (and each student has spoken), students have the option to speak one more time picking up other questions from the list