

EEBL STUDENT MAGAZINE

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The EEBL Student Magazine is a *new* print and digital magazine aimed at motivating and encouraging students to make the best use of their academic experience.

The magazine features a mixture of news and information from EEBL, articles written by

students themselves, international graduates and alumni, teachers and educators, and articles contributed by companies and institutions hosting our students as interns. The magazine is released three times a year. We thank all of the contributors for their support in helping to launch and establish the magazine.



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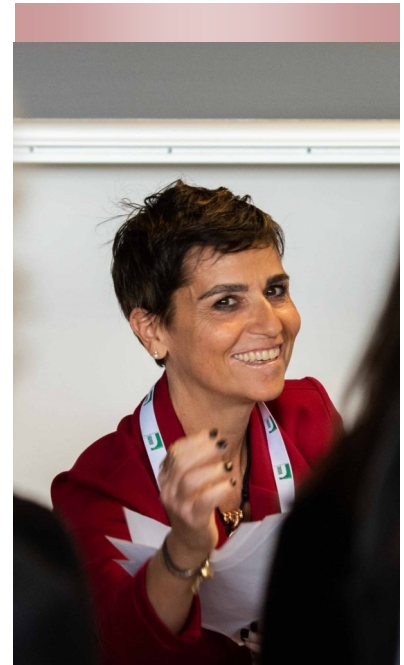
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NEWS FROM THE COORDINATOR

Dear Students,

I am proud to inform you that last December 2019 the annual report of the *Commissione paritetica* (Joint commission of professors and students) evaluated the overall quality of the EEBL programme, including the organisation of courses and exams where we have obtained excellent scores.

All the proposals set in the report were discussed in the EEBL Board Meeting, that has recently proposed a new change in the *Ordinamento didattico* (Programme structure) widening the number of the disciplinary sectors available in the study plan and adding further training activities. Also, clarifications on the admission requirements were made.



“The organisation of courses and exams at EEBL obtained excellent scores”

What you will find in this issue

The first issue of the magazine contains a focus on activities carried out at EEBL. In December we organized an EEBL ceremony to award best performing students. In particular, four EEBL students were granted scholarships as the “Best first year students” both for the 2018/19 and 2017/18 academic years. Prizes were assigned on the basis of the students’ GPA and CFU acquired during their first year as EEBL students.

EEBL also provides financial aid to promote students further training activities. On that same occasion, four other students were also awarded prizes for participating in extra-curricular projects held during the summer period.

In this issue many pages are dedicated to **EEBL extra activities**. We had an interesting career skills seminar focused on the interview process with Rumiana Uzunova; you will be able to find additional details on page 4. We’ll also host an important Eurosupport workshop about tenders and fundings on Friday 28 February 2020.

You will also be able to have additional information on career opportunities and internships, student experiences, highlights of the companies involved, meetings with the professionals, postgraduate opportunities, students performance, professors evaluation and much more.

Enjoy the reading!

PRIZES

EEBL Award Ceremony

On 13 December 2019, first and second year EEBL students attended the **EEBL Students Award Ceremony**. The best first year students for the 2017/2018 academic year and best first year students for the 2018/2019 academic year were awarded a prize of €500 each.

Best first year students for the 2017/2018 academic year are:

Lorenzo Polli - GPA 29.80/30, 60 CFU

Claudia Cerboni - GPA 29.60/30, 60 FCU

Best first year students for the 2018/2019 academic year are:

Gabriele Ceccarelli - GPA 30/30, 66 CFU

Paolo Funari - GPA 29.40/30, 60 FCU

During that day, EEBL also announced the winners of the prizes for educational and training activities, aimed to encourage students participate in further activities, to reward excellence, and to motivate academic commitment. Candidates submitted very interesting and challenging projects and we wish them all the best for a successful career.

The 2019 prizes were:

Gabriele Ceccarelli – for a project proposal on ‘Quantitative Methods for Public Policy Evaluation’ at the Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, in July 2019.

Désirée Scanniello – for a project proposal on ‘Environmental Economics and Sustainable Development’ at the London School of Economics, in July 2019.

Costanza Ingrao – for a project proposal on ‘European Project Planning’ at the Europa Innovation Business School, in September 2019.

Akmalyon Ganiev – for a project proposal on ‘Social Science Research Methods’ through IPSA at the Antalya Bilim University, in September 2019.

Congratulations from all the teaching staff and the administrative staff.



SIE prize for the best thesis in Economics

Francesco Salustri, with his thesis on “The Behavioural Economics of Responsible Consumption” is among the finalists of the Italian Society of Economists (SIE) Prize for the best thesis in Economics 2019. Two former students of the Ph.D. programme in Economics, Law and Institutions have been awarded by the SIE prize for the best thesis in Economics for the years 2017 and 2018.: Walter Ferrarese and Silvia Sopranzetti.

Career Skills Seminar - Rumiana Uzunova

On Friday 8 November 2019, Rumiana Uzunova provided a seminar on the Interview Process.

She explained the interview process and the philosophy of the labor market. She analyzed the **types of Interviews** and what HR expect to find out about a candidate during an interview. She explained how to prepare for various types of interview, how to behave, how to practice self-control at interviews. The students were involved in **practical examples**, including a live one-to-one interview and post-interview assessments. At the end, a **group discussion** pointed out ideas on how one can improve performance during professional interviews and, in case of failure, how to save face.



“First of all, find out what kind of interview it will be”

Elective courses during the second semester

In the current academic year, the following elective courses are taught in the second semester:

- Development Economics
- Econometrics for Applied Economics
- Environmental Economics
- International Commercial Law
- EU Competition Law and regulation

A guide to optional courses

The MSc. in EEBL degree programme includes the choice of elective courses for a total of 12 CFU. Some electives are directly proposed by the EEBL Academic Board to provide an array of courses and lectures which students can follow to learn additional concepts and obtain practical experience in economics, in order to better prepare for a career choice that might require in-depth knowledge in specific areas. For the 2019-2020 academic year, students may choose from all elective courses that are offered within the Faculty of Economics that are at the master degree level, taught in English, and coherent with the EEBL path of study; however, students should consult the EEBL Programme Office to ensure that their chosen electives meet the above requirements.

Patrizia Plini, WFP

I'm working in the Budget Office for the Staff Funding and Analysis Unit (RMBCS) and I'm assigned with the following tasks:

assist in processing Requests for Organizational Management Actions which entail creating and maintaining Organizational Unit (HQ and Fields) positions, allocating and changing funding in accordance with budget provision and in line with budget procedures and regulations;

liaise with HQ and Fields Offices for position funding requirements, respond to queries on position funding issues and provide guidance on position management procedures;

run position funding reports, carry out position funding analysis and identify vacancy savings which can be released.

INTERNSHIPS

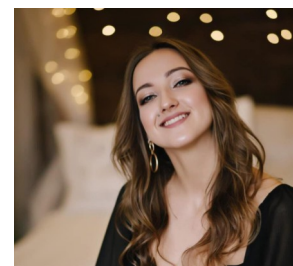
NATALIIA DYDA, intern at ENEL

I had a great chance to work at Enel with a particular focus on the European and Latin American markets. This internship project was held in Rome within the Global Procurement Department and based on the development of a new database for internal and external use.

The core of this project was creating a smart application, mainly an Electronic Management System for smart meters components. Collaboration and Communication Platform could then be used to register/edit and integrate the data concerning each component across the world.

Enel's project brought me to a very new and interesting area of using modern innovative technologies in electricity network. The important thing I want to highlight is that I was lucky to have the freedom to create. Thanks to my supervisor Tommaso Proietti, I had a lot of interactions and discussion sessions with experts in the field and other staff within and outside the company.

I am so passionate about technology: to create a new product, methods, and ideas. This gives you the possibility to look at problems differently and come up with solutions others cannot. So if you like to deal with challenges and want to create value – Enel is a company that lets you do that.



ENEL, Italian multinational energy company

We are a multinational energy company and one of the world's leading integrated electricity and gas operators. We work in 33 countries across five continents, generating energy with a managed capacity of more than 89 GW, selling gas and distributing electricity across a network spanning approximately 2.2 million km.

With almost 73 million end users around the world, we have the biggest customer base among our European competitors, and we are one of Europe's leading energy companies by installed capacity and reported EBITDA.

The Enel Group is made up of approximately 68,000 people from around the world whose brilliant work is based on our values of Responsibility, Innovation, Trust and Proactivity.

Together we are working on the same goal. We are Open Power and our aim is to overcome some of the greatest challenges facing the world. This is to be achieved through a new approach which combines attention to sustainability with the best in innovation.



Federico Carnevali, intern at the US Embassy in Rome

Federico Carnevali

I am working as an intern at the US Embassy in Rome in the office of the Attaché of the Department of Justice, which is responsible for ensuring international legal cooperation between the United States and Italy in the criminal field. On a daily basis, I examine cases concerning requests for extradition or mutual legal assistance, in order to determine whether there are issues that require continuous attention. I contact the Courts and prosecutors throughout Italy to respond to requests for mutual assistance and I translate legal documents from Italian to English, and vice versa, regarding mutual legal assistance in criminal cases for the various prosecutors in Italy. It is a rewarding job in many ways. The working environment is stimulating and the colleagues are available for any problem or advice. I expect to improve my skills and competences through this experience in order to make good use of them in future jobs and receive greater recognition in the workplace. My dream is to be able to pursue a career in the international field which is for me a very formative professional path. Being able to do so would mean that the enthusiasm, the desire to learn, the passion and the results I transmit daily on the job have been noticed and appreciated. In conclusion, I will carry an extremely positive and educational experience with me which, I am very proud to have had the chance to grasp and seek. A thought and recognition of all this also goes to our university, in particular, to this master's degree course, which is capable of offering high-level job opportunities every year.

US EMBASSY IN ROME

The Embassy of the United States of America in Rome is the diplomatic mission of the United States of America to the Italian Republic. The embassy's chancery is located in the Palazzo Margherita, Via Vittorio Veneto, Rome. The current United States Ambassador to Italy is Lewis Eisenberg.

The American Embassy of Rome is currently evaluating EEBL candidates for internship positions available in the Summer Session, running from May 4 thru October 31, 2020.

The ideal candidate will have a very good level of both English and Italian, both spoken and written, and will be available to intern on a part-time schedule (approx 20 hours per week, Monday through Friday).

Meet the professionals

FRONTIER ECONOMICS - Sara del Vecchio

Sara del Vecchio is an economic consultant at Frontier Economics. She met students on 27 November 2019 and discussed cases of mergers and cartel damages.

Since joining Frontier, she has worked primarily in the competition practice, with particular experience in **competition litigation cases and market investigations**.

Sara engaged students with a challenging case. She split the class into teams, described the background of the case, and supported students in developing the answer. Then the class discussed all the answers.

She underlined how important it is in consulting to be able to work in groups, manage work across multiple subjects and deliver accurate work.

Before joining Frontier, Sara worked as an economist in the Competition and Economics Division at the Financial Conduct Authority.

Sara graduated with a degree in EEBL in 2013 where she specialised in **Industrial Organisation** with a final mark of 110/110 cum laude.

She also holds a master degree in Competition and Market Regulation from the Barcelona Graduate School of Economics.

LinkedIn profile: www.linkedin.com/in/sara-del-vecchio-919a1836/



Sara Del Vecchio, Economic Consultant at Frontier Economics is an EEBL graduate

RBB Economics

Eleonora Corbo & Tim Reuter

Eleonora Corbo and Tim Reuter, from RBB Economics met students on 11 December 2019, providing them with a presentation of their company and a practical case on abuse of dominant position.



Details of I year class - 2019/20 a.y.

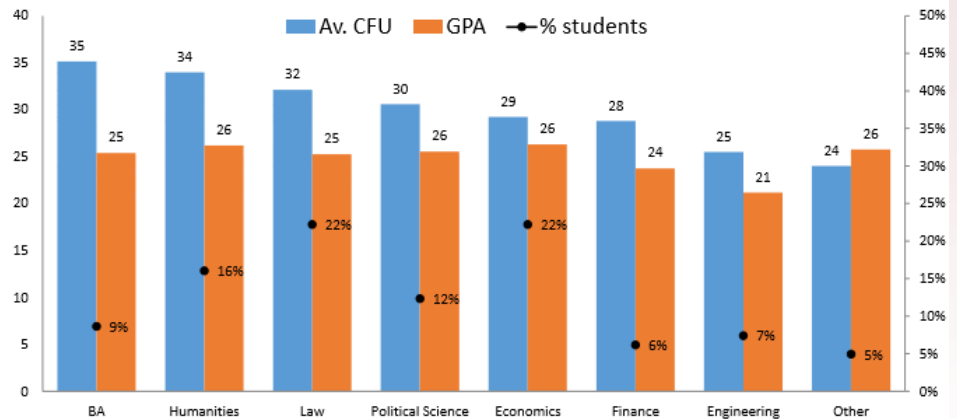
Nationalities:

- 60% Italians
- 40% International

Academic Background:

- 40% Economics
- 20% Management
- 16% Law
- 12% Political Sciences
- 8% Humanities
- 4% Engineering

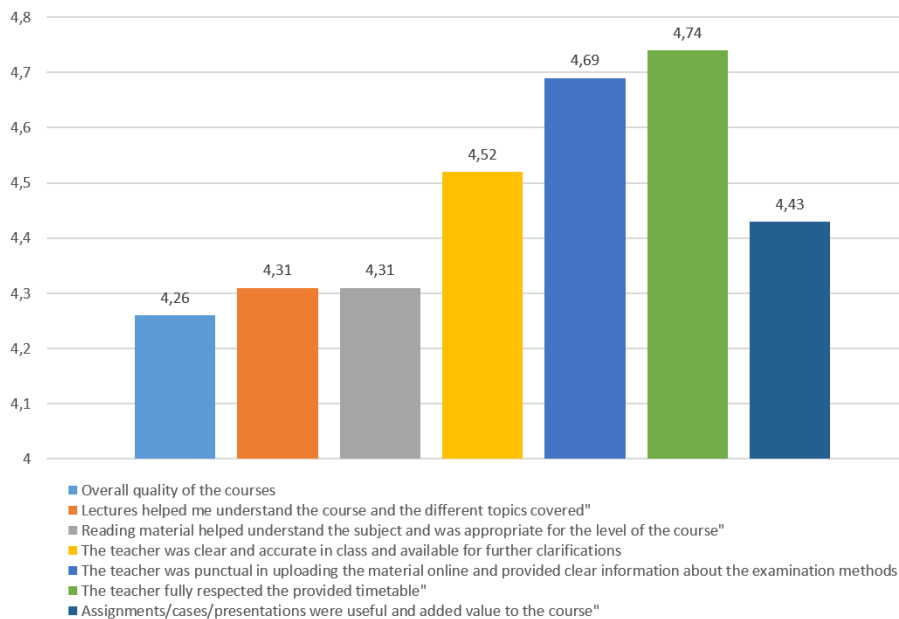
Students performance - 2018/19 a.y.



The above graph shows the EEBL students performance during their first year, taking into consideration both average CFU and average marks.

Bullet points indicate the percentage of the class by bachelor category.

Evaluation of EEBL Professors



The graph shows the overall evaluation of courses and professors of the first semester at EEBL. All of them have obtained excellent results, in terms of overall quality, accuracy and availability of the professor, reading material and examination methods. All professors reached a score higher than 4 on a scale 1-5 (where 1 is the minimum and 5 is the maximum). Data collected through students' questionnaires.



POSTGRADUATE OPPORTUNITIES

PhD at the School of Economics

University of Rome Tor Vergata

The School of Economics has recently published the call for applications for the three PhD programmes in “**Economics and Finance**”, directed by Prof. Tommaso Proietti, “**Management**”, directed by Prof. Gianpaolo Abatecola. and “**Contract Service and Market Theory**” directed by Prof. Martina Conticelli. There are 24 funded positions available.

In order to apply, it is necessary to obtain an MSc degree no later than 30 October 2020.

Specific information about the PhD programmes, the application procedures and the requirements can be found on their websites. Below are the contacts of the PhD programme Offices:

PhD in Economics and Finance: info@phdef.uniroma2.it

PhD in Management: phd.economiaaziendale@uniroma2.it

PhD in CSMT: info@phdtcsm.uniroma2.it

The application deadline is Thursday 30 April 2020, at 4pm, Rome Local Time.

Master programmes at the University of Rome Tor Vergata

The Department of Economics and Finance has opened the calls for applications for the 2019/20 academic year for the following master programmes:

- **Anti-corruption**
- **Foreign Trade**
- **Procurement**

Entry requirements, deadlines and procedures for the applications may vary according to the programmes. However, all of them offer scholarships to the best qualified students, covering the total cost of the tuition fee of the master programme.

More info at:

masteranticorruzione.it

economia.uniroma2.it/master/ceidim/

masterprocurement.it



Alumni News

This section includes news, initiatives, job opportunities at companies and institutions where former EEBL students are employed.

EEBL ALUMNI 2020

This year the EEBL Alumni meeting will be held on **18 May 2020** at 5pm in the Sala del Consiglio of the School of Economics. Several EEBL alumni will share their EEBL experiences and explore job and internship opportunities available in their workplaces.

EEBL Alumni Meeting on Monday 18 May 2020 at 5pm in the “Sala del Consiglio”

Talent4Comp - Career in Antitrust and Regulation

The initiative creates opportunities for recruiting sessions for those who want to pursue a career in the field and provides valid support to companies, law firms, competition authorities and international bodies in the selection of candidates that meet their needs.

talent4comp.com

learcompetitionfestival.com

Eurosupport Full Day Workshop - 28 February 2020

Learn how to create a project to request funding or participate in tenders. Develop your professional skills and learn tips and techniques for preparing reports. Free workshop, lunch provided for participants.

-HOW TO DEVELOP
PROJECTS FOR
PARTICIPATION IN TENDERS
AND GRANTS

-PRACTICAL ADVICE AND
USEFUL TECHNIQUES FOR
DRAFTING REPORTS

28 FEBRUARY 2020
10.00 AM - 5:00 PM IN ROOM S-11
(BUILDING A)
REGISTER TO JOIN US!
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EVENT OPEN TO ALL
EEBL STUDENTS



HIGHLIGHTS

Focus on: Green Economy

Europe's one trillion climate finance plan

The European Union wants to fund projects to tackle climate change and support regions that are most affected by the transition to a green economy.

Just over a month after the presentation of the European Green Deal, the European Commission presented a detailed proposal on how to finance it. The **European Green Deal Investment Plan** is designed to attract at least one trillion euros worth of public and private investment over the next decade.

Why does it matter?

Turning the EU into a climate neutral economy by 2050 will require massive investment in clean energy technologies. Only achieving an interim greenhouse gases reduction target of 40% by 2030 would require €260 billion of additional investment a year, according to the Commission's estimates.

Find out the full article at: www.europarl.europa.eu/news/

GREEN WEEK FESTIVAL 2020 IN TRENTO (ITALY)

Since 2011, Green Week has addressed issues related to the green economy. The event is divided into two parts: in the first three days, from 25 to 27 February, are dedicated to the "Sustainable Firms". In the following three days, from February 28 to March 1, in Trento, the Green Economy Festival attracts the most important exponents of economy, finance and institutions dedicated to sustainability issues.

Various events are being planned, and there is **funding available** for eligible students to participate in the Greenweek festival in Trento.

For info about the Green Week: info@goodnet.it

For info about the call for applications:

progettostudenti@goodnet.it

Additional details:

greenweekfestival.it



Academic

A behavioral model of the credit cycle

Barbara Annicchiarico - Silvia Surricchio - Robert J. Waldmann

In a behavioral variant of a New Keynesian model, in which individuals use simple heuristic rules to forecast future inflation and output, if there are limits on the amount of debt that economic agents are allowed to bear, we observe occasionally severe downturns. Differences in beliefs combined with borrowing constraints tend to dampen expansions, but also give rise to a chain reaction that exacerbates the recessions. The model is an example of endogenous credit cycles with expansions, severe recessions, and persistent inequality in the distribution of wealth. Monetary policy can both stabilize the economy and cause increased average output.

“Monetary policy can reduce the frequency of severe recessions.”

Prof. Lei Zhang is Senior Lecturer in the Department of Economics at the University of Warwick. He received his BSc from Peking University and his PhD from the University of Warwick. His research interest includes sovereign borrowing, exchange rates, monetary and fiscal policy, and irreversible investment.

Visiting Professors

Prof. Lei Zhang (Sichuan University and University of Warwick) visited our Department of Economics and Finance from Monday 20 January 2020 until Wednesday 29 January 2020.



Lei Zhang has been actively involved with the people at the Centre on various issues concerning globalisation. These include his research on the international financial architecture, on capital market bubbles and also on prudential regulation and sequencing of financial liberalisation.

His publications include articles in Economic Journal, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control and Economica.

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