

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

HOW EUROPE WORKS: A FIRST-HAND PERSPECTIVE ON EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS (MOROCCO)



We are pleased to inform you that the Robert Schuman Institute (RSI), with the support of the Eduardo Frei Foundation, organises an introductory seminar (29 – 31 October 2021, Casablanca, Morocco) under the title ***“How Europe Works: A First-Hand Perspective on EU Institutions”***. The event will be provided for 20 people with relevant duties / functions in the EPP partner **ISTIQLAL and RNI parties** in Morocco.

Aims of the project:

- To support the EU-oriented work of EPP sister parties in EU partner countries by capacity building
- To familiarize participants with the fundamental values of the EPP as expressed in the party platform, including their consequences and implications for particular policies
- To introduce trainees to the EPP family, it's network in Brussels and beyond
- To provide practical and ready-to-use knowledge on the development, structure and functions of the European Union and its institutions via interactive presentations, as well as practical and realistic information on EU partnership criteria
- To give participants first-hand information and good insight into the everyday life of the EU institutions via on-site visits within the framework of the field trip to Brussels (e.g. European Parliament, EU Commission, EU Council, Committee of the Regions)

- To strengthen ties and further develop a cross-border professional network involving young people from Morocco

Target group: **20** public career-oriented people between 20 – 35 years of age, actively involved in work of ISTIQLAL and RNI, will be selected on the basis of individual applications recommended by the party

Working days:

29 - 31 October 2021 (Friday-Sunday) in Casablanca, Morocco
arrival: 28 October until 17h00, departure 31 October after lunch

full attendance is necessary.

Working language: English (no interpretation will be provided)

Proposed agenda for the Morocco seminar:

- The idea of Europe, the value basis of European integration
- Introducing the European Neighbourhood Policy
- Analysis of the institutional development of the EU
- Achievements and current challenges of the EU
- Structure, functions and powers of the EU institutions
- Decision-making mechanisms in the EU
- The foreign and security policy architecture in Europe
- International activities of an EPP party
- The role of national parliaments in international cooperation
- Information research regarding European cooperation
- Networking

Pre-requisites of participation:

- Demonstrated connection with the international / EU oriented activities of a party
- High level written and oral proficiency in English
- Applicants born between 1986-2001
- University/college degree (or at least four successfully completed semesters at university)
- Complete application package including form, official party reference letter, motivation of participation
- Full attendance is necessary

Application Process

- a completed [online application form](#)
For completing the form applicants should attach **letter of reference** from the delegating party (signed by a member of the national board / presidency (not the youth organization) or international secretary) and **copy of diploma** or a **certificate** issued by the university/college

verifying that by the start of the course the applicant will be in 5th or higher semester of studies
(in English, can be also own translation)

**Deadline for
applications:**

20 OCTOBER (WEDNESDAY) 2021, arriving at RSI

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Financial arrangements

The costs of the introductory course – including lectures as well as costs of full-board during the program – will be covered by the organisers.

Selected participants will be invited to a Brussels study visit next spring, including coverage of travel costs!

Should you require any further information about the series, please do not hesitate to contact us.