

Erasmus + BIP Summer School

ELESS 2026

EU Law and Economy Summer School

Virtual component: 15 June – 26 June (4 online meetings)

Physical component: 29 June – 3 July (onsite)

Onsite venue:

Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management, Primorska 46, HR-51 414 Ika

Coordinating university: **University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law in cooperation with the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management and the Inter-University Centre of Excellence Opatija**

Partner universities:

University of Trento

University of Bergamo

Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași

Charles University in Prague

University of National and World Economy (UNWE) Sofia

University of Maribor

University of Camerino

University of Almeria



VIRTUAL COMPONENT

Monday, 15 June 2026

15:00 – 16:00 CET

Welcome & introductory session by ELESS programme coordinators

Ana Pošćić and **Adrijana Martinović**: Bridging law and economics in EU policy and decision-making

16:00 – 17:30 CET

EU as a global economic power

Dorina C. Suci: EU trade and investment law

Tuesday, 23 June 2026

15:00 – 16:30 CET

EU as a guardian of fiscal discipline

Irina Bilan: Public debt policy – title TBC

Wednesday, 24 June 2026

15:00 – 16:30 CET

EU as a global standard-setter in IP protection

Silviya Todorova: Infringements of IP rights – title TBC

Thursday, 25 June 2026

10:00 – 11:30 CET

The CJEU and the constitutionalization of EU integration

Erik Kamenjašević: Internal Perspectives on EU Judicial Governance: Inside the Office of an Advocate General

Onsite component

(arrival of participants recommended one day before the start of the summer school)

Monday, 29 June 2026

10:00 Welcome & official opening speeches

Ana Pošćić, ELESS course co-coordinator, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law

Dario Đerđa, Dean, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law,

Marko Perić, Dean, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management,

Overarching theme: Innovation in the EU

10:30 Keynote Lecture

Janja Hojnik: Digital sovereignty in the EU: Challenges and legal solutions

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break

13:00 – 16:00 Afternoon Workshop & Policy Lab

Adrijana Martinović: Regulating AI & new technologies: case scenarios

Group activity: EVENING SOCIAL EVENT



Tuesday, 30 June 2026

Overarching theme: Competitiveness in the EU

9:00 – 12:00 Morning programme

Gianmatteo Sabatino: The legal regime of state aids in the internal market

Ana Pošćić: New technologies, Big Data and competition: Which way forward?

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break

13:00 – 16:00 Afternoon Workshop & Diplomacy Lab

Vanja Smokvina: EU Sports Diplomacy: A powerful tool for promoting EU values

Kristina Črnjar: Global labour market: Changes and challenges

Wednesday, 1 July 2026

Overarching theme: Protecting consumers in the EU

9:00 – 12:00 Morning programme

Emilia Miščenić: Digital fairness and transparency in EU consumer law

Magda Svobodová: Representative actions for the protection of consumers in the EU

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break

Group activity: AFTERNOON BOAT TRIP

Thursday, 2 July 2026

Overarching theme: Doing business in the EU

9:00 – 12:00 Morning programme

Nataša Žunić Kovačević: Cross-border tax planning in the internal market

Mihaela Braut Filipović: The power of family businesses in the EU: Driving the European economic growth

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch break

13:00 – 16:00 Afternoon Workshop & Skills Lab

Martina Bajčić: Digital and terminological literacy in the EU multilingual environment



Friday, 3 July 2026

Overarching theme: Sustainability and responsibility in the EU

9:00 – 12:00 Morning programme

Narda Krnetić Blečić: 'Greening' EU policies for a sustainable future?

Hana Horak: Regulatory framework of sustainable business in European union

12:30 Closing ceremony and award of certificates

13:00 Lunch