

Thematic Area 4.

Mass publics' conceptions of the EU and European citizenship (14 hours)

A first cycle of lectures (Dr. PhD F. Olmastroni) deals with the relation between the process of Europeanization and public opinion, in connection with the main dimensions of EU citizenship (European identity, sense of EU representation, scope of governance).

A second cycle of lectures (Prof. P. Bellucci) devotes attention to public opinion's reactions to the economic crisis. The determinants of people's perceptions towards the EU and how these have acquired a strong unprecedented partisan polarization are investigated through seminars (P. Bellucci) and in the laboratory focused on public opinion surveys (P. Bellucci & F. Olmastroni).