E435 Master Seminar
European Economic Integration

Winter Term 2026/27 | M.Sc. Programmes | 9 ECTS credits

Jointly taught by faculty from Tübingen (Profs. Luetticke & Müller) **and AMU** (Prof. Poilly).

Course	E435 Master Seminar European Economic Integration
Programme	M.Sc. Programmes
Credits	9 ECTS credits
Admission	Max. 12 students; double degree students guaranteed; other students admitted if spots are available.
Requirements	Core courses in Economics
Registration	Email gernot.mueller@uni-tuebingen.de by December 15, 2026
Travel & expenses	Participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation; no funding is available.

Content and Objective

Students work on a research project, broadly defined, related to European economic integration. They start with one of the research papers listed below.

In a first step, they replicate the results, either based on numerical simulations or on econometric analysis. In a second step, they propose, motivate, and analyze a extension of the original study. In the process, students will become familiar with the state of the art in this research area. They will also learn how to address research questions and policy debates, both in their essay and in their presentations.

Timing and Venue

Date	Milestone	Details
Jan 11, 2027, 12:15	Introductory meeting	Tübingen, Mohlstr., Room TBa. Topics and supervisors will be assigned.
Early Feb 2027	Student presentation 1	Presentation of the original paper and research idea.

Apr 15-16, 2027	Student presentation 2	1.5-day workshop in Marseille at AMSE, 5 Boulevard Maurice Bourdet, 13001 Marseille. Attended by all students.

Assessment

The final grade will be based on both presentations.

- Presentation 1: 20 minutes.
- Presentation 2: 30 minutes, including questions and discussion. Please prepare no more than 15 slides.
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AI

- You are free to use AI for coding and the presentation you remain responsible for the code and the content.

Topics

- **Joris Pieper:** Berka, M., Devereux, M., & Engel, C. (2018). Real exchange rates and sectoral productivity in the Eurozone. American Economic Review, 108(6), 1234-1260.
- Corsetti, G., Demir, B., & Javorcik, B. (2024). Trading around geopolitics. Economics Series Working Papers, 1052, University of Oxford, Department of Economics.
- **Shuwen Chen:** Eichengreen, B., Ferrari, M., Mehl, A., Vansteenkiste, I., & Vicquéry, R. (2024). Sanctions and the exchange rate in time. Economic Policy, 39(118), 45-78.
- **Chenyu Di:** Furceri, D., Hannan, S. A., Ostry, J. D., & Rose, A. K. (2022). The macroeconomy after tariffs. The World Bank Economic Review, 36(2), 361-381. https://doi.org/10.1093/wber/lhab016
- **Jacob Maksimov:** Gopinath, G., Gourinchas, P.-O., Presbitero, A. F., & Topalova, P. (2024). Changing global linkages: A new Cold War? IMF Working Papers, 2024(076). https://doi.org/10.5089/9798400272745.001
- **Octave de Saint Martin:** Head, K., & Mayer, T. (2021). The United States of Europe: A gravity model evaluation of the four freedoms. Journal of Economic Perspectives, 35(2), 23-48.
- Iacoviello, M., Caldara, D., Penn, M., & Conlisk, S. (2024). Do geopolitical risks raise or lower inflation? SSRN. https://ssrn.com/abstract=4852461 or http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.4852461
- **Mehrana Eshaghizadeh:** Itskhoki, O., & Mukhin, D. (2023). Sanctions and the exchange rate. Mimeo LSE.
- **Ramdane Ibrahim:** Kleinman, B., Liu, E., & Redding, S. J. (2024). International friends and enemies. American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, 16(4), 350-385.
- Fernández-Villaverde, J., Mineyama, T., & Song, D. (2024). Are we fragmented yet? Measuring geopolitical fragmentation and its causal effects. CEPR Discussion Paper No. 19637. CEPR Press, Paris & London. https://cepr.org/publications/dp19637