E.MA Director

Prof. Nikolay Natov

**Fields of competence:** Private International Law, International Investment Law, International Air Law, International Law of Human Rights

**Other academics involved in E.M.A 2016/2017**

**Group of Law Professors:**
- Prof. Dr. Plamen Pantev
- Associate Professor, Dr. Mariana Karagyozova
- Prof. Dr. Radostin Belenski
- Assist.Prof. Dr. Martin Belov
- Prof. Dr. Vihur Kiskinov
- Prof. Dr. Nikolay Natov

**Group of Political Science Professors:**
- Prof. Dr. Georgi Karasimeonov
- Ass. Professor Lyubov Mincheva, Ph.D.
- Angel Angelov, Ph.D.
- Ass. Professor Tatyana Dronzina, Ph.D.
- Ass. Professor Tatyana Burudjieva, Ph.D.
- Ass. Professor Albena Taneva, Ph.D.
- Assistant Professor Boris Kostov
- Kamen Velichkov, Ambassador, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Bulgaria

**The university and the city**

**Sofia** is the capital of Bulgaria. The climate is hot in Summer and cold in Winter. The city has almost two million inhabitants. Sofia is the centre of Bulgarian political, cultural and sport life. There are lots of private restaurants, pubs and discos. The food is close to oriental traditions with lot of vegetables and good wine. Sofia has its own ski resort 20 km far from the city – it is Vitosha mountain with lot of ski runs and possibility for daily and nightly use. There are many stadiums, sport halls and smaller gyms that offer opportunities for various sport practices. In Sofia is the National Theatre “Ivan Vazov”, the National Opera, the National Gallery of fine arts, the National Philharmonic Theatre and many other cultural institutions.

The **St Kliment Ohridski University** ([http://www.uni-sofia.bg](http://www.uni-sofia.bg)) is the oldest and the biggest Bulgarian university. The main building is located at the heart of the city of Sofia. The University or Bulgarian Alma Mater has 16 faculties, three departments, numerous scientific centres and laboratories, and is the national centre of higher education, science and culture. It offers Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral programmes. The University conducts research in the field of the natural, mathematical, social sciences and humanities. In 2003 the University introduced the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). Agreements with 178 universities worldwide are signed by Sofia University plus hundreds of joint scientific international projects and programmes. In the 2016/2017 academic year the University is expected to have a total of about 25000 students of which 1350 foreign students. Lectures for them deliver 223 professors, 650 associate professors and some 825 assistants lead seminars. Many of the courses can be taught in foreign languages – English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Russian, Polish etc.
Second semester courses

Courses available for E.MA students: Lectures.

Group of Law Professors:

- Prof. Dr. Plamen Pantev: Course Title “Democratic control over the sector of security”, 3 ECTS credits
- Ass Prof. Dr. Mariana Karagyozova-Finkova: Course “Constitutional review within the EU”, 3 ECTS credits
- Prof. Dr. Radoslin Belenski: Course Title “Int'l criminal investigation and HR standards”, 3 ECTS credits
- Asst. Prof. Dr. Belov: “Democracy & civic participation in the multilevel constitutionalism of the EU” 3 ECTS
- Prof. Dr. Vihur Kiskinov: Course Title “European information law”, 3 ECTS credits
- Prof. Dr. Nikolay Natov: Course Title “International investment process and HR standards”, 3 ECTS credits

Group of Political Science Professors:

- Prof. Dr. Georgi Karasimeonov: Course Title “The Bulgarian party system”, 3 ECTS credits
- Ass. Professor Lyubov Mincheva, Ph.D.: Course Title “Peace and conflict research”, 2 ECTS credits
- Angel Angelov, Ph.D.: Course Title “Conflicts and nationalism in Southeast Europe”, 2 ECTS credits
- Ass. Professor Tatyana Dronzina, Ph.D.: First Course “Identity in ethnic conflicts”, 2 ECTS credits; second course title “Intercultural mediation”, 2 ECTS credits
- Ass. Professor Tatyana Burudjieva, Ph.D.: Course Title “International communication and media: regional and international aspects”, 2 ECTS credits
- Ass. Prof Taneva, Ph.D.: “Holocaust & rescue in contemporary prospective. The Bulgarian case.” 3 ECTS
- Assistant Professor Boris Kostov: Course Title “European security and defence policy”, 2 ECTS credits
- Kamen Velitchkov, Ministry of For. Aff. of Bulgaria: “Peacekeeping missions in contemporary IR”, 2 ECTS

Deadline for enrolment in the courses: Beginning of the second semester.

Examination procedures: Written exam (essay or test) plus 1 or more papers prepared during semester.

Thesis

Research areas: International Law of Human Rights; Political Aspects of Human Rights; Ethnic Conflicts and Human Rights (Balkan/South-Eastern Europe); Nationalism and Human Rights (Balkan/South-Eastern Europe); International Relations and Human Rights; National Minorities in Bulgaria/Balkans and Human Rights Standards; Refugees and Human Rights; Transnational Corporations and Human Rights, Refugees and Human Rights.

Thesis supervision: by Professor or PhD holder selected in conformity with Rules of Sofia University on the Master Programmes.

Number of copies to hand in at the hosting university (+ 1 copy to the E.MA Secretariat): 2

Library

Main Library of University located in courtyard of Main University building. Every faculty has its own library with specialised literature. Law Faculty has European Documentation Centre. Books and periodicals in English, French, German, Italian, Russian and Spanish available. Library system includes a central library (the Main Library) and 24 branch libraries at the faculties, departments and degree programs. Main Library equipped with ALEPH integrated library system and online catalogue: http://www.ul.libsu.uni-sofia.bg:4501/ALEPH

Contacts with NGOs and/or IGOs

National Organisations/NGOs/IGOs: the European Commission, UNESCO, Bulgarian Academy of Science, many foreign academic bodies, International Law Association, ELSA etc.

Administration and logistics

Information concerning visa arrangements: Students can contact the student admission department: juiy@admin.uni-sofia.bg and the international relations department: intern@admin.uni-sofia.bg. As regards VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR BULGARIA please visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of The Republic of Bulgaria at: http://www.mfa.bg/en/pages/109/index.html

IT and logistics: WIFI access throughout building of University. Personal computers are at students’ disposal in main University Library as well as in libraries of the faculties – Law Faculty, Faculty of History etc. Opening hours: 8.30 AM till 7.30 PM (opening hours vary from one library to another). The student cards and special library access cards allow access to every library of the University. Computers with free internet access available for students in corridors of University. Photocopying possible in libraries or outside at reasonable price (1-3 Eurocents per page).