

## E.MA Director

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Florence Benoit-Rohmer, Professor at the University of Strasbourg (France)

**Fields of competence:** Human Rights in Europe; Union Law

## Other academics involved in E.MA 2016/2017

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Prof. Jean Paul Jacqu 

Ma tre de conferences, Yvan Bo v

## The university and the city

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Strasbourg is the capital and principal city of the Alsace region in northeastern France and is one of the official seats of the European Parliament. Located close to the border with Germany, In 2006, the city proper had 272,975 inhabitants and its urban community 467,375 inhabitants. With 638,670 inhabitants in 2006, Strasbourg's metropolitan area (*aire urbaine*) (only the part of the metropolitan area on French territory) is the ninth largest in France. The transnational Eurodistrict Strasbourg-Ortenau has a population of 884,988 inhabitants.

Strasbourg is the seat of several European institutions, such as the Council of Europe (with its European Court of Human Rights, its European Directorate for the Quality of Medicines and its European Audiovisual Observatory) and the Eurocorps, as well as the European Parliament and the European Ombudsman of the European Union. The city is the seat of the Central Commission for Navigation on the Rhine.

Strasbourg's historic city centre, the *Grande  le* (Grand Island), was classified a World Heritage site by UNESCO in 1988, the first time such an honour was placed on an entire city centre. Strasbourg is fused into the Franco-German culture and although violently disputed throughout history, has been a bridge of unity between France and Germany for centuries, especially through the University of Strasbourg, currently the largest in France, and the coexistence of Catholic and Protestant culture.

Economically, Strasbourg is an important centre of manufacturing and engineering, as well as of road, rail, and river communications. The port of Strasbourg is the second largest on the Rhine after Duisburg, Germany. In terms of city rankings, Strasbourg has been ranked third in France and 18th globally for innovation. European by nature and international by design, the University's strengths and assets stem from its active involvement in virtually every discipline comprising the current body of knowledge.

As a young university founded on an age-old tradition, the University of Strasbourg strives to attain cross-disciplinarity so that this mixing fosters new research opportunities and produces courses that meet society's need. The international dimension is fundamental for the University of Strasbourg and thanks to the worldwide reputation of its research teams, built on excellence and efficiency, it emerges among Europe's foremost research universities. Each of the University's main academic fields of instruction is based upon research sections that are the driving force of the institution, with over 2,600 professors and staff.

### Websites:

[www.unistra.fr](http://www.unistra.fr)

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Solidly anchored in the European Higher Education Area, the University of Strasbourg, with its 42,000 students, is the beating heart of the Alsatian metropolis.

## Second semester courses

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### Courses available for E.MA students:

- Rapports de système en matière de droits fondamentaux (J.P. Jacqué) 3 ECTS
- Ethique et droits de l'Homme (J.B. Marie) 3 ECTS
- Minorité nationales (Y. Boev) 3 ECTS
- Séminaires sur la préparation de la thèse (J.P. Jacqué)
- Séminaires sur le Conseil de l'Europe (F. Benoit-Rohmer)

Possibility to select specific courses on human rights or EU Law in the Master's courses delivered at the University.

**Deadline for enrolment in the courses:** 1 February 2017.

**Examination procedures:** Oral examination, dissertation, etc.

## Thesis

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### Research areas:

- Human Rights in Europe
- Council of Europe
- European Union

**Thesis supervision:** Prof. Dr. J.P. Jacqué and F. Benoit-Rohmer

**Number of copies to hand in at the hosting university** (+ 1 copy to the EIUC Secretariat): 1

## Library

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Specialised Library at the faculté de droit; General Library of the University., library of the European Court of Human Rights

## Contacts with NGOs and/or IGOs

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**NGOs:** all NGOs affiliated to the Council of Europe

**National Organisations:** NO's working in the field of asylum, fight against poverty, protection of human rights in general

### IGOs:

- Council of Europe, European Court of Human Rights, Commissioner on Human Rights
- European Union, European Parliament, European Ombudsman

## Administration and logistics

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### Information concerning visa arrangements:

[http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/services-formulaires\\_831/espace-etudiants\\_12793/etudier-france\\_12794/demarches-administratives\\_12818/visas-etudiants\\_2](http://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/services-formulaires_831/espace-etudiants_12793/etudier-france_12794/demarches-administratives_12818/visas-etudiants_2)

**IT and logistics:** Available at the faculté de droit et des sciences politiques.