

*Centre of excellence ALTIERO SPINELLI
for the Europe of peoples and peace in the world*

10 Years of activities

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Altiero Spinelli Centre

Altiero Spinelli Centre was founded in 2003 with the financial contribution of the **European Commission**, within the framework of the **Jean Monnet Action** for the establishment of **university centres of excellence**, to support research and training activities in the field of European integration studies.

The Centre is a branch of the “**Roma Tre**” University.

The official denomination is: **Centre of excellence Altiero Spinelli (CeAS) for Europe of the peoples and peace in the world**

*The Centre is dedicated to **Altiero Spinelli**, one of the most illustrious figures of European federalism, whose work and whose commitment, since the “**Manifesto of Ventotene**”, marked the start of the integration process and its development, in particular with the 1984 **Draft Treaty establishing the European Union** (commonly known as “**Spinelli Projet**”), which has become a major source of inspiration for all the European Union (EU) Treaties.*

*The Centre, founded on the initiative of the **Jean Monnet Chair of EU Law and Institutions** (active since 1999), operates for the promotion of **research and training activities** in a number of thematic areas, ranging from European citizenship and fundamental rights to European common policies, environmental protection, cultural goods and services, immigration policies and intercultural dialogue, uniform law and European legal systems, European area of higher education.*

Collaborations and Internationalization

CeAS collaborates with various institutions, public and private bodies, such as national and local authorities, research centres, higher education institutes, organizations and associations, for the development of scientific and cultural activities.

The Centre is assignee of funds granted by the **Italian Ministry of University and Research** and of **EU funds**, with which have been developed research and training projects, also in collaboration with partners from European countries (including Belgium, France, Romania, Spain) and non-European countries (including Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China).

CeAS is also a member of the **Fundamental Rights Platform (FRP)**, the European network of collaboration and information between civil society and the **European Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)**.

Among the most recent initiatives, figures the collaboration with the Al-Babtain Foundation (Kuwait) to establish the *Euro-Arab Institute for the Dialogue between Cultures*.

Research activities

The Centre, in support of its activities, provides **fellowships** for young researchers.

CeAS has is also engaged in a wide range of **publications** (printed and online), and regularly organizes **conferences, meetings, seminars, debates**, with the participation of scholars, experts, professionals and representatives of institutions and civil society.

In this way, the Centre aims to take an active part in the debate on institutional dynamics and socio-political and cultural issues affecting the process of European integration.

Projects: completed and in progress

European Citizenship for the Europe of peoples and peace in the world

This is the pilot project around which the Centre has arisen and which characterizes its mission to promote a culture of European integration that has as its core the idea of a *Europe of citizens*. The project, funded by the **Italian Ministry of University and Research** as part of the 2009-2011 program for internationalization, confirming the Centre's high scientific and cultural value, intends to provide specific contributions of study, investigation and critical assessment on one of the pivotal themes of European integration, being the *citizens* its priority.

Related to this project are the main series of printed publications of the Centre: the periodical *La Cittadinanza europea* and *Quaderni del Centro Altiero Spinelli*. In addition to the organization on annual basis of the *Giornate per l'Europa* (European Days).

Cultural assets in the European Union: policies for the safeguarding and developing cultural goods and activities and the harmonization of national legislations.

This project, started with the support of the **Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities**, focusing on EU and national laws concerning the circulation and promotion of cultural heritage, resulted in the creation of a database for online consultation of the relevant documentation regarding the promotion and protection of cultural heritage in the European context.

Dialogue between cultures in the Euro-Mediterranean region

Originally set up in collaboration with **Anna Lindh Foundation for the dialogue between cultures**, the **Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs**, the **Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities**, and other public and private bodies, this project is aimed at developing and testing research and teaching methods and activities for the training of a multipurpose professional expert profile in ***Euro-Mediterranean policies for integration***. The project is linked to the Master in ***European Citizenship and Euro-Mediterranean integration. Cultural heritage as a factor of cohesion and development***.

The Euro-Arab Institute: A project for Peace

The *Euro-Arab Institute for the Dialogue between Cultures* is an initiative promoted by *CeAS* in collaboration with *Al-Babtain Foundation* (Kuwait), the *Foundation of Mediterranean Studies* (Tunisia), and the *Centre for Mediterranean Europe Studies - Meseuro* (Belgium). The opening ceremony of the Institute took place on November 2012 in the Great Hall of the University “Roma Tre,” at the presence of academic authorities, representatives of European and international institutions, government representatives and ambassadors of the Mediterranean countries and the Arabic world.

The activities of the Institute, hosted at the *CeAS*, are supported by the *Al-Babtain Foundation* and are aimed to pursue the following objectives:

- Reinforcing intercultural dialogue and related behaviours across European and Arab societies; so that it becomes a way of life in dealing with cultural differences.
- Implementing dialogue between various cultures, civilizations and religions, and expanding it towards more useful intellectual exchange.
- Stimulating civil society associations as vital tool in the culture of dialogue, tolerance and mutual understanding.
- Reinforcing the diversity of arts and literature, creativity and freedom in the framework of global values and international law.

“Europe at School”: how to become European citizens”.

Promoted in collaboration with the **European Commission** and **European Parliament (Representation in Italy)**, the project has been addressed to high schools in the City of Rome, in order to stimulate students participation in meetings, debates, workshops, laboratories, interactive forums on EU topics, as a driver of social and civic growth, focusing on education as a key factor for the development of a full European civic awareness. On proposal of *CeAS*, the Rome Municipality set up for the year 2009 the Prize “Young people future of Europe”, awarded to classes of the schools participating in the project.

Training activities

Master in *European Citizenship and Euro-Mediterranean integration. Cultural heritage as a factor of cohesion and development.*

Focused on EU as a global and regional peace's actor in the dimension of cultural heritage and activities, this post-graduate course is active from the 2008. It was born out of a partnership with **Anna Lindh Foundation, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs** and the **Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities**, and the **“Lazio” Region**. Over time the master graduated over eighty students, from a variety of countries, including Albania, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Egypt, Greece, Italy, Jordan, Morocco, Peru, Poland, United Kingdom, Romania, Syria, Spain, Venezuela, Vietnam.

Modules of the Jean Monnet Chair

These teaching modules are assigned to qualified experts in support to the curriculum of the Master course in *European citizenship and Euro-Mediterranean integration* and as supplementary modules in the regular courses of the *Jean Monnet Chair*.

Other training activities

Among other training activities, *CeAS* has organized several courses and seminars, including, more recently, the followings.

Training activities on behalf of the **Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Department for European Affairs** - Cycle of seminars, (29-31 May 2012);

Training activities on behalf of the **“Lazio” Region** (Regional Directorate for productive activities) - Cycle of seminars on “Citizenship, business and local and regional dimension of the European Union” (July-December 2012);

“EuroMed Seminars: The Socio-Political Dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean Region” - Cycle of Seminars (November 2012) organized by *CeAS* in collaboration and with the support of the *Euro-Arab Institute for the Dialogue between Cultures*, and attended by government officials from North African countries, with the objective of deepen and discuss matters of common interest in the framework of the Euro-Mediterranean relations.

Publications

The Centre supports a series of printed publications, including the followings.

“La cittadinanza europea” - bi-annual journal

The journal aims to contribute to a multidisciplinary approach to the study of EU, with special emphasis on political-institutional, legal, socio-economic, historical and cultural aspects of the European integration process, without losing sight of the scenarios in the global context. The journal is articulated in a section of “Essays”, accompanied by a series of regular columns: “Archive,” dedicated to present protagonists, events and/or documents of the history of European integration; “Glossary,” dedicated to illustrate technical/common usage terms of EU lexicon; “Dossier,” dedicated to review judgments of the European Court of Justice, and generally document/records of particular relevance issued by other European institutions.

In addition, the “European Observatory” welcomes, from time to time, contributions comparing experiences in the context of individual EU member states.

“Quaderni del Centro Altiero Spinelli” - Series of studies (monographs)

The series is placed in the wider context of European studies, moving from the idea of Europe as a scientific-cultural laboratory challenging traditional structures, testing old and new categories, economic and social realities, political and institutional models that leap to the attention of a wider audience interested in learning, deepening and evaluating themes and issues of European relevance.

Other printed publications are available for download from the website of the Centre. They are the following:

Quaderni della Rivista “La cittadinanza europea”

Series of monographs, published over the period 2002-2005 as additional issues to the journal “La cittadinanza europea”

Europapers

Set of 12 titles published by the Centre in 2000-2001.

Online publications

On the Centre's website are also available research papers, comments, updates, documents and the Centre's *Newsletter*, edited by the staff of the Centre

Working papers

Series of research papers and thematic analyses.

Newsletter

Quarterly of updates, comments and information/documentation on European Union.

Euroclie

“Euroclie” (*Europe just a click away*) is intended to offer information in order to learn quickly how to do research, consult documents and audiovisual materials concerning the history of the integration process, EU treaties and institutions, exploiting the full potential of electronic media.

Index:

I: *I Trattati e le istituzioni (Treaties and Institutions)*;

II: *Percorsi audiovisivi di storia dell'integrazione europea (Audiovisual itineraries of European integration)*;

III: *Dalle Comunità all'Unione (From Communities to the Union)*;

IV: *Antologia del federalismo europeo (Anthology of texts of European federalism)* [in preparation]

For the same purpose a teaching tool called “**Glossary**” has been produced, and available online at the Centre’s website.

Events

Giornate per l'Europa (European Days)

To celebrate *Europe Day* (9 May), a series of meetings-conferences are held annually, regularly in May, to debate political and institutional issues concerning the Union, in order to promote a more active and responsible culture of European citizenship.

Prize “Cittadinanza europea per l'Europa dei popoli e la pace nel mondo” (European Citizenship for Europe of the peoples and peace in the world" Award).

On proposal and under the patronage of *CeAS*, the City of Belgioioso (Pavia, Lombardy Region) established this Prize. In the first edition, held in 2011, it has been awarded to the **European Parliament** and delivered to the Vice-Deputy Chairman, Hon. Gianni Pittella.

In the second edition (2012), the prize has been awarded to the **Committee of the Regions** of the European Union, and delivered to its President, Hon. Mercedes Bresso.

Other Events

Among the many events organized by the Centre in the form of meetings, conferences, seminars and workshops, may be mentioned, among the most recent, the followings.

The “Interuniversity Forum”

This initiative, held within the frame of the *CeAS* internationalization activities, is aimed to strengthen relationships with universities of non-European countries. For the first time, it has been organized, with support of the **Ministry of Education of Argentina** and of the **Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs**, as part of the “Fifth National Conference on Italy-Latin America and the Caribbean,” a general meeting to compare and discuss university education systems in the perspective of the European Higher Education Area, for the mobility of students and scholars and inter-cultural dialogue.

The “EuroMed” seminars

Organised in partnership with the *Euro-Arab Institute for the Dialogue between Cultures*, a first series of Seminars have been held on: *The Socio-Political Dialogue in the Euro-Mediterranean Region*.

Information on Europe

At initiative of *CeAS* and with the contribution of the **European Commission**, it has been activated in 2007 the “European Information Centre” (**Europe Direct Rome**), the first of its kind in the Italian capital. The initiative was joined by institutional partners, including local authorities (Municipality and Province of Rome, “Lazio” Regional Council), and developed also as an internship experience for university students, while fulfilling its institutional goals with the assistance of expert personnel, to promote dissemination of information/documentation about EU institutions and policies.

The library

CeAS has a library and documentary endowment of approximately 1,000 titles on various matters of European interest.

CeAS also acquired, in the form of donation, the **Bino Olivi Fund** (389 volumes) and, as a permanent loan, a significant portion of materials of the **Italian Centre of European Documentation** comprising 1,825 volumes, and 193 EUI Working Papers, as well as 6 microfiche drawers.

Lists of publications and main activities

Monographs “Quaderni del Centro Altiero Spinelli”

*Monographs “Quaderni della Rivista *La cittadinanza europea*”*

Europapers

Working papers

*Giornate per l’Europa (*European Days*)*

Visiting professors CeAS internationalization activities

Monographs “Quaderni del Centro Altiero Spinelli”

M. L. Maniscalco, *Islam europeo. Sociologia di un incontro*, 2012

L. Moccia (ed.), *Diritti fondamentali e Cittadinanza dell’Unione Europea*, 2010

G. Bonvicini (ed.) *L’Unione europea attore di sicurezza regionale globale*, 2010

M. L. Maniscalco (ed.), *La pace nel vicinato. La cooperazione militare europea nei Balcani: un punto di vista italiano*, 2009

Monographs “Quaderni della Rivista *La Cittadinanza europea*”

Verso la costituzione europea. Da Amsterdam a Laeken, 2002 (eds. A. Cangelosi e G. Buccino Grimaldi);

La delega di poteri dal Consiglio alla Commissione, 2004 (A. Esposito);

La costituzione europea. Riflessioni sul contributo italiano, 2004 (ed. F. Tufarelli);

Intellettuali, storici, economisti di fronte ai totalitarismi nell’Europa centro-orientale, 2005 (ed. A. Basciani).

Europapers (2000-2001)

Cittadinanza europea e amministrazioni pubbliche, (L. Moccia)

Interpreting the Concept of European Citizenship, (J. Shaw)

Il cittadino e la giustizia, (P. Biavati)

Relations between Eu and Ceec in the light of enlargement process with special reference top movement of persons (M. Maresceau)

Riforma del bilancio europeo (G. Trupiano)

Citoyen et Nation : les voies ouvertes par la révolution française (M. Morabito)

Modelli di pubblica amministrazione in Italia (A. Truini)

Innovazioni nelle deliberazioni a maggioranza qualificata del Consiglio dell'Unione europea nel quadro del trattato di Nizza (A. Sacchetti)

La spesa per investimenti nelle aree depresse cofinanziata dai fondi strutturali europei per la programmazione 1994-1999 (F. Guerra)

Dalla diplomazia alla democrazia: verso una Costituzione europea (V. Dastoli)

Brevi note sul processo di formazione normativa comunitaria: l'apporto nazionale (R. Cangelosi)

La revoca atti amministrativi comunitari (A. Esposito).

European Citizenship for the Europe of peoples and the peace in the world

<http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/en/?Research>

Cultural assets in the European Union: Policies for safeguarding and valorising cultural assets - harmonising national legislations.

<http://centrospinelli.altervista.org/en/?&sitemap>

Dialogue between cultures: a model of Euro-Mediterranean cohesion

[http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/?Attivit%EO di formazi one:Master_%22Cittadinanza Europea%22](http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/?Attivit%EO_di_formazi one:Master_%22Cittadinanza_Europea%22)

"Europe at School": how to become European citizens"

[http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/?Attivit%EO di formazi one:Progetto_L%27Europa va a scuola%3A come div entare cittadini europei](http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/?Attivit%EO_di_formazi one:Progetto_L%27Europa_va_a_scuola%3A_come_div entare_cittadini_europei)

Master in European Citizenship and Euro-Mediterranean integration. Cultural heritage as a factor of cohesion and development.

<http://www.mastereuromed.eu/>

Modules of the Jean Monnet Chair

[http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/en/?Courses:Jean Monn et Chair](http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/en/?Courses:Jean_Monn et_Chair)

Giornate per l'Europa (European Days)

http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/en/?Events:Giornate_per _1%27Europa

Premio "Cittadinanza europea: per l'Europa dei popoli e la pace nel mondo" ("European Citizenship: for Europe of the peoples and peace in the world" Prize).

http://www.centrospinelli.eu/db/?Premio_%27Cittadinan za_europea%27

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