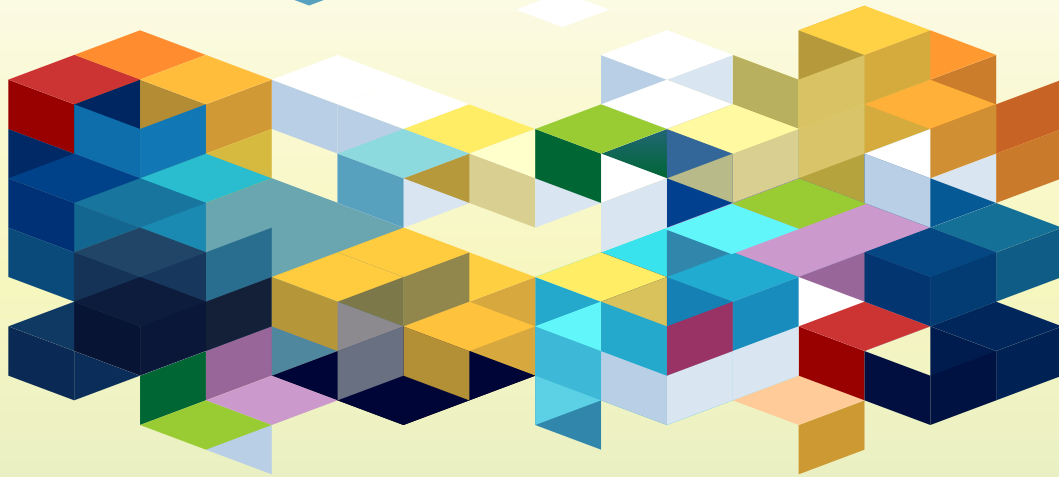


ConSIMium



A Council Simulation Experience

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Brussels, Belgium

Over **160 students**
from **27 countries**

Simulation of all
decision-making levels
in the Council of the EU
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Over 160 students will meet in Brussels to take part in ConSIMium – a Council simulation experience. Over two days, teams of six students from 27 EU countries will step into the shoes of national representatives and role play negotiations between the EU member states at four different levels.

The purpose

ConSIMium is a hands-on experience of decision-making in the Council of the European Union and the European Council. The simulation allows students to understand the role of the member states in decision-making, the role of the Council's Presidency, the value of deciding together and the importance of reaching a compromise. The scenario is based on real European legislation and countries' negotiating positions. The simulation takes place in the Council buildings' meeting rooms where ministers and EU leaders meet

The structure

The participants will take one of the following roles: head of state or government, minister, ambassador (permanent representative to the EU), national expert or journalist. In each meeting, representatives of the Presidency, the Council Legal Service, policy departments, and the European Commission will play their real-life roles alongside the students.

The selection

The participating students are selected at national level, in most cases by conferences of rectors, and in a few countries by other national-level academic entities. To ensure equal access of participants, the organiser -the General Secretariat of the Council - covers the travel and accommodation costs.

For more details on the previous edition, visit www.consilium.europa.eu/en/events/consimium/