

Descriptif d'enseignement / *Course descriptions*

Campus virtuel / Virtual campus

Titre du cours – *Course title*

Europe at Seas

Type de cours : Cours en ligne

Langue du cours/Language of instruction : English

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Résumé du cours – **Objectifs** - *Course description – Targets*

In the late Middle Ages, some European forces began to spread from the Mediterranean and lay the foundation of new visions that include values, scientific discoveries and many disputes and wars, leading to the concept of Great Discoveries. However, the journey began long time ago.

The seminars explore seafaring, contacts between civilizations, rise and fall of some of them that can be linked to the seas. They also explore how such multiples layers of history help to create a possible European civilization. This first step is to understand the journey realized, from the fears of the unknown to the will to control the all world.

As our oceans are the earth's largest habitats, for some civilizations, controlling the seas was a way to control the world and control of the maritime domain (Borders, ports and offshores installations) still remains a sovereign power for nations. Furthermore, playing a key role in the climate system, Oceans contain valuable resources such as oil, natural gas and minerals and they are also homing futures promises strategic elements such as platinum group metals, steel stabilizers, high-tech metals and rare earth elements.

The EU through several channels appears to be a key actor regarding all these topics. Part of its future depend of its ability to deploy, develop and manage programs, relations and capacities to use and preserve seas and oceans.

These seminars will help to identify the most important trends, challenges and opportunities for practitioners, decisions-makers, from the world's seas and oceans. It will begin by focusing on the following areas:

- resources and economic potential of the sea
- imaginaries bounded to the seas
- environmental issues governance of the sea

Dispositif d'enseignement à distance envisagé (Zoom, Teams, Meet) – *Online teaching method (Zoom, Teams, Meet...)* –

Zoom and Teams are privileged

Evaluation - *Assessment*

Each student will receive 3 notes. The final evaluation is mixed with:

- 20% General participation
- 30% expos
- 50% examination: essay of 12 pages including maps and bibliography on selected topics

Some group works will be prepared for simulation cases as for expos

Plan – Séances - *Course outline*

Bloc 1 : On the shore

Introduction (I). Fears. The common idea of Flood. Odysseus. "Vikings, deceases, infection, isolation....

Introduction (II). Challenges. Challenged by the Seas, Challenging the seas, doing the best of the natural constraints.

Quest for surviving and controlling

Bloc 2: Setting sail

Venice and Genove's cities, Hanseatic league. Boats and Ports, Securing the seas, securing the group (the State)".

From coast to coast. Technical History of globalization, "From the keel and the compass to the container"

Seas shaping the economy."Salt, the banks, the East India Company/ the VOC, the development of commercial roads"

Bloc 3 : High Seas (I).

Laws and regulations on the regime of the high seas.

South China Sea Row and La Hague Tribunal's ruling (exclusive economic zones...). The 9 dash Line and new territorial Disputes.

Shoekpoints, hotspots, straits and other problems. Case studies: Russian Northwest Passage

Bloc 4 : From High Seas to deep seas

Seas of the opportunity, from the ocean to the Soil. "Farming, Mining, pharmaceutical researches".

Deep Seas, internet cable. The movement of information is the lifeblood of the global economic system: it needs to be more secure from accident and attack.

Deep Seas. The next frontier?

Session 12 : Conclusive session

EXPOS : 20/25 mn

HISTORY OF SPICES – SALT, TEA, OPIUM, COTTON.... - THE HANSE. THE COMPANIES (EAST INDIA COMPANY, THE DUTCH EAST INDIA COMPANY (VOC). ZHEN HE. RISE AND FALL OF THE MARITIME PORTUGUESE EMPIRE

Bibliographie - Bibliography :

Sea Power: The History and Geopolitics of the World's Ocean, Jim Stavridis, Penguin, 2017

The Sea Civilization, a Maritime History of the World, Lincoln Paine, Vintage Books, 2013

La Méditerranée, Fernand Braudel, Flammarion – 2009 (1949)

The Geopolitics of Deep Oceans, John Hannigan, Cambridge 2015

The extraordinary Voyage of Pytheas the Greek, Barry Cunliffe, Penguin, 2002

Seafaring and Civilization, Maritimes Perspectives on World History, Philip de Souza, Profil Books, 2001.

La mer et la France, quand les Bourbons voulaient dominer le monde, Olivier Chaline, Flammarion, 2015

Géopolitique des mers et des océans, Pierre Royer, PUF, 2012

Vermeers'hat, the seventeenth century and the Dawn of the Global World, Timothy Brook, Profile Books, 2009

Le premier Age du capitalisme, tome 1, l'expansion européenne, Alain Bihr, Editions Syllepse, 2018

The Edge of the World, how the Nord Sea made us who we are, Michael Pye, Penguin, 2014

Europa, das Mer und die Welt, Eine Maritime Geschichte der Neuzeit, Jürgen Elvert, Deutsche Verlag-Anstalt, 2019

Europa und das Mer, Deutsche Historische Museum, Hirmer, 2019

----- Novels -----

Ghost Fleet, a Novel of the next World War, P.W Singer and August Cole, Mariner Books, 2015

Codex 632: The Secret of Christopher Columbus: A Novel, J.R Dos Santos, Gradiva, 2005

Treasure Island, Robert Louis Stevenson

Robinson Crusoe, Daniel Defoe

Typhoon or Nostromo, from Robert Conrad