

Master in Global Energy Transition and Governance

Understanding the complexity of current energy transformations in Europe and worldwide



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About the Programme

The **Master in Global Energy Transition and Governance** is targeted at students and young professionals with a Bachelor degree and is open to all academic disciplines. It aims to give a **deep understanding** of the **complexity of the current energy transformations** in Europe and worldwide. With its unique, multidisciplinary approach, the programme analyses the links between the different levels of energy governance, from an international to a local level, offering problem-focused learning at the crossroads of theory and practice.

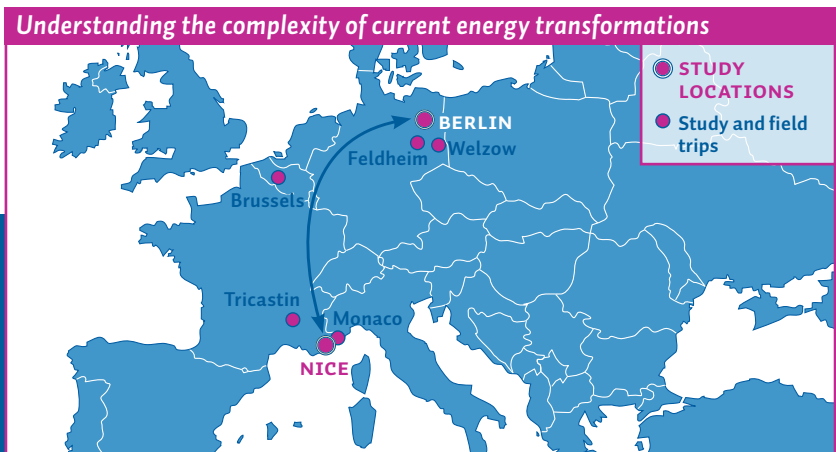
The one-year Master programme welcomes participants from all five continents and takes place in two study locations: **Nice** and **Berlin**, including a study trip to relevant European institutions and international organisations in **Brussels**. At the end of the academic year, students have the option to do a **professional internship**.

Teaching Method

- Problem-focused learning at the crossroads of theory and practice
- Active involvement of the students in the organisation of workshops
- Field trips
- International conferences, workshops
- Simulation game to practise negotiation skills

Working language: English

60 ECTS



Overview of the Academic Year

TERM 1
October to
December

The first term in **Nice** encompasses classes on the basics of the four energy modules (International Energy Governance and Conflicts, Economic Energy Governance and Markets, Clean Energy Transitions in the EU, Cities and Citizens in the Energy Transition Processes). During this term, the students choose their Master thesis topic. They will also be offered courses on research methodology and oral communication methodology.

TERM 2
January to
March

For their second term students move on to **Berlin**. From here they will travel to Brussels, for a study trip to relevant European institutions and professional organisations. During this term, they will also participate in field trips to Feldheim and Welzow.

TERM 3
April to
June

In April students return to **Nice**. From here they will go on field trips to Monaco and to an energy site such as Tricastin. The academic year concludes with finalising the research work, defence of the thesis and the graduation ceremony.

**Internship
option**

Students who have chosen the internship option will pursue the programme by doing a professional internship of 3 to 6 months.

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Teaching Modules

International Energy Governance and Conflicts This module delivers the theoretical knowledge on the main international energy-related issues and conflicts (resource curse, neo-institutionalism, developmentalism, weak/strong states etc.). It also provides the participants with concrete examples of the emergence and regulation of energy conflicts worldwide in order to better analyse how they exert pressure on the security and diversification of the energy supply.

Economic Energy Governance and Markets Economic and market fundamentals are applied to the energy sector in order to understand the current multiple national, regional and local low carbon energy pathways in the world. The module examines how the different markets are regulated and how they influence the transitions from fossil fuels to renewable energies. The economic perspective will highlight the role of liberalisation, privatisation and regulation of the sector.

Clean Energy Transitions in the European Union The aim of this module is to highlight the EU's priorities and its decision-making process regarding clean energy transition in Europe, thus helping to understand political economy factors that both inhibit and accelerate it. While focusing on how the different EU policies challenge institutional architectures and multi-level governance schemes, the module provides an insight into issues currently facing European policy makers such as social acceptance, sustainability of renewable energies as well as rapid advancement in clean energy technologies.

Cities and Citizens in the Energy Transition Processes Students will understand how EU regions, cities and territories develop their own low carbon strategy at the crossroads of many policies (housing, waste management, transport, energy poverty, environment and energy) and in the framework of a multi-level governance system. Concrete examples of local and regional strategies will be delivered in order to analyse the levers and obstacles for more decentralisation.



Professional Modules

Energy Project Cycle Management: Creating an Impact-Driven Project

- Identifying problems raised by project planning
- Outlining a project action plan
- Drafting a funding proposal
- Anticipating risks

Negotiation Techniques

- Elaborating a negotiation strategy based on the different interests at stake
- Setting objectives and defining alternatives for a good negotiation strategy
- Applying the negotiation techniques to bilateral and multilateral negotiation contexts related to energy conflicts

Job Support Service

- Mentoring programme
- Career coaching
- Regular update of job offers

Research Module

- Individual research work throughout the academic year
- Delivery of a written Master thesis
- Defending the main findings of the research work

DEGREE AND RECOGNITION

Graduates are awarded two certifications:

- **Master in Global Energy Transition and Governance**, diploma delivered by CIFE as a private institute of higher education, granting 60 ECTS credits at Master level.
- **Chargé de mission en organisations européennes et internationales** (Policy Officer in European and International Organisations)
This qualification is recognised by the French State as a degree at Master Level (level 7 European Qualification Framework).

Tuition

The tuition fees cover tuition and mentoring throughout the year, individual career coaching, the students' accommodation in Berlin, the programme-related travel expenses, the study trip to Brussels, field trips, simulations and professional skills workshops, participation in conferences and more.

Admission Requirements

This graduate programme is targeted at students who have already completed a first degree (minimum three years of study at university level). Furthermore, students must have an active knowledge of English. You can apply online at www.cife.eu.

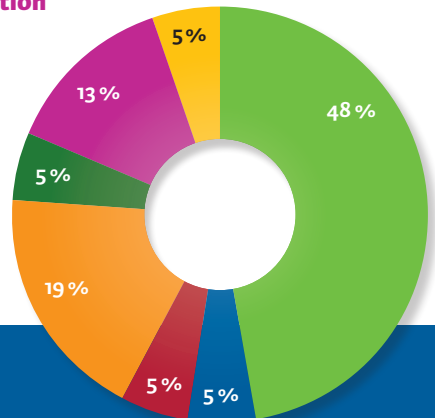
Career Prospects

The energy job market offers great potential to the future generation of policy officers in energy development. The job prospects are at the crossroads of public, private, research or non-governmental sectors and of different levels of governance, from local to international level:

- Energy analyst
- Energy project manager in public authorities, enterprises, NGOs
- Energy advisor to decision makers at international, EU, national, regional and local level
- Energy policy officer in European and international organisations
- Research fellow in energy development

Professional Fields of Recent Graduates of the Master in Global Energy Transition and Governance

- Private Companies
- European Organisations
- Research
- Trade Associations
- International Organisations
- Public Authorities
- Further Studies





Fabio Passaro Italy, 2019/20
Senior Transition Policy Analyst, Climate Bonds Initiative

I had the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of energy systems and contemporary energy challenges. How can we make energy affordable, reliable and sustainable for all? These are the kind of questions and issues that are tackled during the year. It was also a great opportunity to live in two different countries and expand my horizons with people coming from different countries and various backgrounds!



Nadeem Goussous Jordan, 2018/19
Associate Programme Officer – Clean Energy Transition Scenarios,
International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)

The programme was unique; it allowed us to interact with policy-makers and practitioners, exposed us to various aspects of the energy transition through field trips and developed our professional skill-sets in Project Cycle Management and negotiation among others. All of this helped me start my career with more confidence and knowledge of the energy sector.



Christina Papadopoulou Greece, 2022/23
Member Engagement Officer, RenewableUK

Throughout the academic year, we examined connections between various tiers of energy regulations, from the international to the local level, along with visits to public and private institutions. I developed the necessary skills to gain an extensive understanding of the energy market and sustainability process and to navigate complicated policy contexts effectively.





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Herman Van Rompuy

President Emeritus of the European Council
Belgian Minister of State
President of CIFE

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