

Jean Monnet Center of Excellence DIPLOWideMed

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DIPLOWideMed Crash Course *A Research-to-Policy Lab*

28 September – 2 Ottobre 2026

Department of Political and Social Sciences

Via Vittorio Emanuele II, 49, Catania

Day 1	Monday, 28 September
Welcome 9:00 – 9:30 Aula XXI Marzo	Prof. Maria Alessandra Ragusa Rector's Delegate for the Internationalisation, University of Catania Prof. Francesca Longo Director, Department of Political and Social Sciences
Morning Session Mediterranean Turmoil 9:30 – 11:30 12:00-13:30 Aula XXI Marzo	Prof. Stefania Panebianco Center of Excellence Director Mediterranean (dis)orders Dr. Emiliano Abramo President, Comunità di Sant'Egidio Il Mediterraneo in fiamme: vie per il raggiungimento della pace [with translation]
Afternoon Session 15:00 – 17:00 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Research Lab Prof. Stefania Panebianco

Day 2	Tuesday, 29 September
Morning Session Mediterranean Diplomacy 9:30 – 11:30 12:00-13:30 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Prof. Virginie Collombier Mediterranean Platform, Rome Mediterranean Diplomacy Practices Maria Sanfilippo Cultural Mediator Coordinator, University of Catania
Afternoon Session 15:00 – 17:00 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Research Lab Prof. Virginie Collombier

Day 3	Wednesday, 30 September
Morning Session The New European Security Strategy 9:30 – 11:30 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Dr. Nicoletta Pirozzi Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI) Forging the European Union's Security Identity in an Age of Strategic Competition

12:00-13:30 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Prof. Mounir Ghribi Director of the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence on Sustainable Blue Economy, EMUNI <i>Sustainable Blue Economy</i>
Afternoon Session 15:00 – 17:00 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Research Lab Prof. Marcello Carammia University of Catania

Day 4	Thursday, 1 October
Morning Session <i>Mediterranean Migration</i> 9:30 – 11:30 12:00-13:30 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Prof. Federica Zardo Senior Researcher, University for Continuing Education Krems <i>Mediterranean Migration Actors</i> Dr. Xavier Aragall Programme Manager Migrations and the Euromed Survey, IEMed <i>Migration and mobility in the Mediterranean: keys and policy trends</i>
Afternoon Session 15:00 – 17:00 Sala Riunioni, 1st floor	Research Lab Prof. Federica Zardo

Day 5	Friday, 2 October
Cultural Visit 9:30 – 10:30	Monastero dei Benedettini Piazza Dante Alighieri, 32, Catania <i>Guided Tour</i>
Morning Session 11:00 – 13:30 <i>Book launch</i> Aula XXI Marzo	Prof. Francesca Longo , University of Catania Prof. Stefania Panbianco , University of Catania Prof. Eugenio Cusumano , University of Messina Prof. Iole Fontana , University of Catania Discuss the book <i>Un-welcome to Denmark: The Paradigm Shift and Refugee Integration</i> Authored by Prof. Michelle Pace Indep. Researcher and Honorary Aff., University of Malta
Afternoon Session 15:00 – 16:30 16:30 – 17:30 Aula XXI Marzo	Final Forum Dr. Sabina Magnano , Director for Committee Coordination and Legislative Activities at European Parliament <i>EU legislative process and Participatory Democracy in EU Policy-making</i> Wrap Up & Conclusions Prof. Stefania Panebianco , CoE Director Feedback from CC participants