HIGHLIGHTS

1. 2 weeks in Malaysia + 1 week in Brussels / Bruges.
2. Malaysia’s rich cultural heritage.
3. Modules which engage with current issues that shape Asia, Europe and impact on Asia-Europe / ASEAN-EU relations.
4. A special dialogue with a Minister.
5. Excursions to political, traditional and historical sites around Malaysia.
7. Interactive learning modules by academic experts from Asia & Europe.
8. AEI-ASEM Summer School brings together University students from Europe and Asia.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of this course, participants are able to:

- Identify and explain the cultural diversity of the Asian region;
- Compare and critique issues of multiculturalism and cultural pluralism in Asia and Europe;
- Demonstrate awareness of contemporary challenges in Asian and European societies on issues of identity, and the role of millennials in fostering harmony;
- Compare and differentiate regional integration in EU and ASEAN; and
- Identify challenges to pluralism and tolerance in Asia and Europe.

PLACES TO VISIT

1. PUTRAJAYA
2. MELAKA
3. PETRONAS TWIN TOWER
4. MERDEKA SQUARE
5. THEAN HOU TEMPLE
6. BATU CAVES
7. NATIONAL MUSEUM
8. VILLAGE HOMESTAY
9. BRUSSELS
10. BRUGES

AEI-ASEM SUMMER SCHOOL 2017

24 JUL - 4 AUG 2017 (Malaysia)
7 AUG - 11 AUG 2017 (Belgium)

THEME:
CULTURAL PLURALISM IN ASIA AND EUROPE

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MAPIRASA
It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to Malaysia and the Asia-Europe Institute (AEI), University of Malaya. We are pleased to present our third AEI-ASEM Summer School with the theme “Cultural Pluralism in Asia and Europe”. This year, we have an additional segment for the Summer School, a week of interactive lectures/seminars and visits to European institutions in Brussels. This additional programme will be organised by Maastricht University and is a joint effort by the Jean Monnet Network on Challenges to Multiculturalism and Multilateralism. AEI is one of the partners in this Jean Monnet Network coordinated by the EU Centre in Singapore. The Network also includes the University of Indonesia.

This 2+1 Summer School offers a great opportunity for students and young scholars from different regions to meet, exchange ideas and enhance cultural understanding. It provides a learning experience that is interactive and multicultural in essence. Through lectures, seminars, field trips and experiential learning, the programme hopes to raise awareness on the many challenges that we face today in both Asia and Europe, in confronting diversities and in making multiculturalism and accepting cultural pluralism as a way of life.

We hope you will be inspired by the teaching and engage in robust discussions and critical reflections on developments in your own society and region. Through the field trips and other cultural and social programmes, we hope you will enjoy each other’s company and develop lasting friendship beyond the Summer School.

We look forward to welcome you to the Summer School.

Professor Dr Azirah Hashim
Executive Director,
Asia-Europe Institute (AEI),
University of Malaya.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

All university students, young researchers, scholars and professionals interested in a learning experience that transcends boundaries and go beyond text books should apply.

REGISTRATION FEE

USD 700.00 (for 2 weeks programme in Malaysia)
Fees inclusive of 2 weeks accommodation, meals, local transportation and field trips within Malaysia (excluding return air fare).

USD 1,000.00 (for 2 weeks in Malaysia + 1 week in Brussels)
Fees inclusive of 2 weeks in Malaysia (as above) and 1 week in Brussels – accommodation, meals, local transportation and visit to European institutions / Bruges (excluding return air fare).

Possibility of some scholarships. See website for details.

REGISTRATION

Register at http://aei-asc.edu.my

LECTURE-MODULES

Week 1 - 2 (Malaysia)
1. Malaysia: The Past, Present and Future
2. Roundtable discussion: “Multiculturalism: Asia and Europe”
3. Religious Pluralism in Asia 1: Malaysia
4. Religious Pluralism in Asia 2: Southeast Asia and Beyond
5. Millennials and Culture
6. Bridging the Gap between Asia and Europe: Youth Connectivity
7. Cultural Diversity in Asia: Music and Movements
8. Cultural and Heritage Tourism
9. Crisis Migration in Asia and Europe: Challenges and Reactions
10. Identity, Politics and Ethnic Conflicts
11. Asia-Europe Conference 2017

Week 3 (Brussels)
1. Introduction to the European Union and ASEAN
2. Relations between the EU and ASEAN
3. Role of Identity in Regional Integration
4. The Experience of Multiculturalism in Europe
5. Challenges of Populism and the Far Right movement in Europe