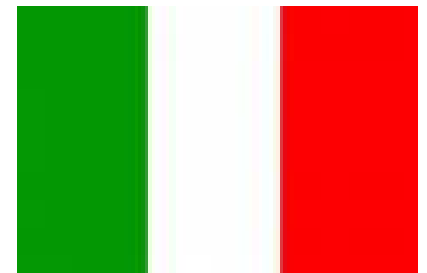


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Leadership School

**“International opportunities
for young (motivated) people”**

- Ilenia Santin -





1. EU External Relations:

- **Work & business**

- Gateway to recognition of academic and professional qualifications <http://www.enic-naric.net/>
- EU Fundings and Grants http://europa.eu/policies-activities/funding-grants/index_en.htm

- **Studying** http://europa.eu/eu-life/studying/index_en.htm

- **Travel and tourism**

http://europa.eu/eu-life/travel-tourism/index_en.htm

- **Right of residence**

http://europa.eu/eu-life/residence-rights/index_en.htm

EU policy towards the “East”: the Eastern Partnership initiative

- As with Russia, the EU is moving to strengthen ties with 6 other countries: Georgia, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus.
- The plan calls for **increased funding** for these countries and offers them the prospect of **free-trade agreements** if they undertake political and economic reforms as they all face important challenges to democracy and the rule of law.
- The EU is also concerned about stability in the region after the August 2008 Russia-Georgia war, which ended in an EU-brokered ceasefire.

http://europa.eu/pol/ext/index_en.htm



EU Programs and Initiatives for RoA (1)

1. General

- **Erasmus Mundus** offers financial support for institutions and scholarships for individuals (http://ec.europa.eu/education/external-relation-programmes/doc72_en.htm);
- **Tempus** supports the modernization of higher education in the Partner Countries of Eastern Europe, Central Asia, the Western Balkans and the Mediterranean region, mainly through university cooperation projects (http://eacea.ec.europa.eu/tempus/index_en.php);
- **Non-state Actors and Local authorities:** Commission's thematic programme supporting the right of initiative of non-state actors and local authorities by funding their initiatives when geographical programmes are not the appropriate instrument and by supplementing the support that other sectoral thematic programmes can provide. The 3 main areas of intervention are:
 1. actions in developing countries and regions,
 2. awareness raising and education in Europe on the subject of development,
 3. and measures facilitating the coordination between civil society networks and local authorities.

(http://europa.eu/legislation_summaries/development/general_development_frame_work/r12554_en.htm).



EU Programs and Initiatives for RoA (2)

2. Regional:

- **Eastern Partnership** = a new partnership to strengthen relations between EU and 6 partner countries. Bilateral offer:
 1. New contractual relations (FTAs);
 2. Gradual integration into the EU economy;
 3. Easier travel to the EU;
 4. Energy security cooperation;
 5. Regional development;
- **ENPI** (European Neighbourhood Policy Instrument) → ENPI National Indicative Programme for the RoA 2011-2013

3. Local → **Agreement on Partnership and Co-operation (PCA)** whose principal targets are:

- to provide EU-Armenia cooperation by developing political relations,
- to provide the respect of democratic principles, the rule of law, human rights and the transition to a market economy,
- to provide trade relations between the sides as well as legal, social, economic, financial, scientific, civil and cultural relationship and partnership.



LATEST OPPORTUNITIES

1. Summer Academy
Eastern Partnership
organized by the Bosch
Foundation in Berlin

http://www.delarm.ec.europa.eu/en/proposals/form/Sommerakademie_Goerdeler-Kolleg_US.pdf

2. Various vacancies at the
DelArmEvn:

<http://www.delarm.ec.europa.eu/en/vacancy/index.htm>



<http://www.un.org/>
<http://www.un.am/>

2. the United Nations

Armenia & the UN

- Permanent Mission of RoA to the UN:
<http://www.un.int/wcm/content/site/armenia/>
- Employment within the UN:
<http://www.un.org/en/employment/>
- Internship Programme (for UN HQ only!):
<http://www.un.org/Depts/OHRM/sds/internsh/index.htm>

UN in Armenia

- UNDPI (UN Department of Public Information)
- UN resident agencies that may be of interest:
 - **ILO** (International Labour Organisation)
 - **UNIDO** (United Nations Industrial Development Organization)
 - **UNDP** (UN Development Programme - www.undp.am)



Latest UN opportunities in RoA

- **“Start your business” ToT Course** - organised by the ILO, it addresses the needs of potential micro and small-scale entrepreneurs who have business ideas and relevant skills and wanted to start a business, but did not know how!
- **News!** For Armenian university graduates → **Traineeship with the EU Advisory Group**
(<http://www.undp.am/?page=LatestNews&id=565>)

Other announcements available on:

<http://www.careercenter.am/index.php?ccdspann.php?id=10367>



3. NATO & Armenia

- **1992** Armenia joins the newly created North Atlantic Cooperation Council (EAPC in 1997)
- **1994** Armenia joins the Partnership for Peace (PfP)
- **2003** Armenia hosts the PfP exercise “Cooperative Best Effort 2003”
- **2004** At the Istanbul Summit, allied leaders place special focus on the Caucasus – a special NATO representative and a liaison officer are assigned to the region;
- **2006** A NATO information Centre is officially opened in Yerevan.



Fields of Cooperation agreed in the Armenian Individual Partnership Action Plan

IPAP:

- Jointly agreed for a 2-year period;
- Geared towards to:
 - strengthening political dialogue between NATO and Armenia;
 - supporting Armenia's democratic and defence reforms.

Areas of cooperation:

- Security
- Defence and security sector reform
- Civil emergency planning
- Science and environment
- Public information



Job opportunities

1. NATO HQ (Brussels):

- <http://www.nato.int/wcm-asg/recruit-wide.asp>
- Permanent Mission of RoA to NATO
<http://www.armenianatomission.com/>

2. NATO Agencies:

<http://www.nato.int/structur/recruit/nato-bodies.html>

3. Information Centre on NATO in Armenia:

<http://www.natoinfo.am/eng/>



4. Fields of Cooperation between Italy and Armenia

- Political
- Cultural
- Development
- Scientific
- Military
- **Economic:**
 - at the Embassy of Italy in Yerevan there is a “correspondence point” of the ICE Office in Moscow (jerevan@mosca.ice.it);
 - a 6-monthly Joint Report ICE-Italian Embassy in Yerevan available on www.ice.it, www.esteri.it and www.mincomes.it

Opportunities for RoA citizens

1) Studying:

- enrolment in Italian schools and universities
(foreign students interested in studying at Italian universities can find information on the admissions reserved for them at the site of the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research
(<http://offertaformativa.miur.it/studenti/elenco/>);
- scholarships for Armenian students with a basic Italian knowledge (yearly calls published on the website).

Opportunities for RoA citizens

2) **Work** → doing business in Italy:

- Trade opportunities: The acquisition of information regarding the Italian market and business opportunities with Italy is the first step that foreign operators must make in identifying areas and forms of investment in Italy. **Italtrade** allows immediate access to all information on the Italian market in the foreign operators' business language (www.italtrade.com);
- Investment opportunities: **InvestInItaly** is an institutional organisation for the promotion of foreign investments in Italy, and is the only place to find free specialised consulting services aimed at facilitating the connection process for foreign investors in Italy (www.investinitaly.com).



QUESTIONS?

