

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

# **COURSE SYLLABUS**

Eppo and Eu Law: a Step Forward in Integration

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## Learning objectives

The main objectives of this course are:

- (i) provide you with the advanced theoretical knowledge necessary to master a further area of Union law;
- (ii) closely observe the European Public Prosecutor's Office, also savoring its dynamic operational dimension and hearing it told by some of its prosecutors; and
- (iii) bring you closer to the new European Public Prosecutor's Office also as future professionals, offering you the unique opportunity to enrich yourself with valuable knowledge and skills, including operational ones.

#### **Contents**

The study of EPPO is fundamental to understanding the evolution of European Union law.

## **Detailed program**

Topic 1 - THE ROAD TO EPPO

1?? event | Opening Conference

2?? event | Why we did (do) need an EU prosecutor

3?? event | How enhanced cooperation on the EPPO began, and paid off

Topic 2 - THE EPPO 4?? event | The EPPO's structure and characteristics

5?? event | The EPPO's role and mandate6?? event | The EPPO functioning: a practical overview

# Topic 3 - THE EPPO AND NATIONAL AUTHORITIES: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES 7?? event | The interplay between the EPPO and authorities of participating Member States

8?? event | The EPPO working arrangements with authorities of participating Member States: notably, the Italian National Anti-Mafia and Counter Terrorism Directorate (DNAA), and Excise, Customs and Monopolies Agency (ADM)

9?? event | The EPPO and the authorities of non-participating Member States and third states

#### Topic 4 - THE EPPO PROGRAMMING 2021–23: HIGHLIGHTS

10?? event | The EPPO and the European Commission's Anti-Fraud Strategy 2019

11?? event | The EPPO and the Digitalisation of criminal justice

12?? event | The EPPO in the global anti-fraud architecture

#### Topic 5 - THE EPPO, JUDICIAL COOPERATION, AND INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL SECURITY

13?? event | The EPPO and judicial cooperation

14?? event | The EPPO cooperation with Europol, OLAF and Eurojust

15?? event | The EPPO between EU internal and external security

#### Topic 6 - THE EPPO AND OTHER BODIES JOINING FORCES

16?? event | The EPPO Working Agreement with the European Commission

17?? event | The EPPO working arrangements with the European Court of Auditors (ECA) and the Italian General

Prosecutor's Office of the Court of Auditors ("Procura Generale presso la Corte dei conti")

18?? event | The EPPO and banking supervisory authorities

#### Topic 7 - THE EPPO PROTECTING EUROPEAN TAXPAYERS' MONEY FROM CRIMINALS

19?? event | Main EPPO cases and convictions

20?? event | Main EPPO cases

21?? event | The first year of EPPO

### **Prerequisites**

There are no prerequisites.

### **Teaching methods**

The lessons will be held mostly in seminar form, also with the participation of external guests. You can also take part in interactive workshops and experiment in the drafting of legal texts. The aim is to encourage the active participation of students.

#### **Assessment methods**

In line with the indications of the Department, the exams will consist of 3 tests:

- 1. "a written test in project work (development of an original project)" also carried out in groups;
- 2. "a written test in the form of a short essay (presentation of the topics covered in class)";
- 3. "a final exam, oral and individual, consisting of an interview on the written discussion" of point 2).

## **Textbooks and Reading Materials**

"THE EPPO and EU LAW A STEP FORWARD IN EU INTEGRATION. A Digital collection of Lectures 2021-2022" (downloadable from the website: https://www.steppo-eulaw.com/). During the course, materials will be provided during classes and on the e-learning portal. In any case it is advisable to constantly update the site https://www.steppo-eulaw.com/

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

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