

EVENING SCHOOL OF EUROPEAN STUDIES

AMSTERDAM • NOV 2012 - APR 2013



How was our western society formed? Where did our norms and values come from?

Why do we have seven days in the week? What gave Europe its identity? On what do we base the concept

of human rights? What inspired the emergence of many of the institutions of our western way of life, including hospitals & universities, trade unions and political parties, women's emancipation and the abolition of slavery, or movements like the Red Cross, Amnesty International and Alcoholics Anonymous? How can we respond to today's challenges like Islam, secularism, new spirituality? How can we recover vision, faith and hope for tomorrow's Europe?

These questions and many more will be addressed at the **Evening School of European Studies (ESES)**, in Samaritan's Inn, Amsterdam, with sessions every **second Thursday evening**.

The **twelve evening sessions** will be supplemented by **four Saturday 'historical trail' excursions** in Utrecht, Amsterdam, Friesland, Zwolle & Deventer.

The aim of this course is to enable those with jobs or other study:

- to understand how the Bible's message shaped Europe's foundations;
- to explore biblical responses to major influences in Europe today, including secularism, Islam, new spirituality and the EU;
- to investigate our responsibility to shape Europe's future.

Jeff Fountain, director of the Schuman Centre for European Studies, and visiting lecturers, will provide the course content. No academic qualifications required.

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• JAN 10 - FEB 21 •

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EUROPE YESTERDAY RECOVERING THE PAST

Nov 1 33AD-1000

- APOSTLES & STORYTELLERS

Nov 3 A WALK THROUGH **UTRECHT**

- IN SEARCH OF EUROPE'S SOUL

Nov 15 1000-1500

- MONKS & SCHOLARS.

Dec 6 1500-1800

- REFORMERS & REVIVALISTS

Dec 8 A WALK THROUGH **AMSTERDAM**

- SECRETS OF A CITY

Dec 20 1800-2010

- DREAMERS & VISIONARIES

EUROPE TODAY ENGAGING THE PRESENT

JAN 10 A SECULAR CONTINENT?

- IS IT SUSTAINABLE?

JAN 24 ISLAM IN EUROPE

- ARE THE RUMOURS TRUE?

FEB 7 NEW SPIRITUALITY

- THE FACE OF TOMORROW?

FEB 21 THE EU STORY

- A FORGOTTEN VISION

EUROPE TOMORROW SHAPING THE FUTURE

MAR 14 SIGNS OF HOPE?

MAR 23 PIONEERS IN **FRIESLAND**

- BONIFACE & MENNONITES

MAR 28 RECOVERING FAITH,

HOPE & VISION

- 10 IMPERATIVES

APR 11 THE R-FACTOR

- THE WAY FORWARD?

APR 13 A WALK THROUGH

ZWOLLE & DEVENTER

- BROTHERS OF THE COMMON LIFE

APR 25 DREAMS & VISIONS

- NETWORKS FOR TRANSFORMATION

How can we respond to today's challenges like Islam, secularism & new spirituality? What signs of hope can we see of God's activity in Europe?

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