



futurEU - Brussels Visit 3-5 April 2024



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Goal

futurEU plans to organize a three day visit to Brussels on 3rd-5th April 2024 for Hertie School students. Our goal is to familiarize students with the EU's institutions through a personal and interactive visit. We plan to visit the European Parliament and the Commission amongst others, but the clear focus lies with connecting students with (aspiring) professionals in Brussels. We want to go beyond bringing students to brick-and-mortar buildings and "simply" telling them about legislative procedures. We aim at putting students in contact with the people that shape the Brussels bubble, by hearing from these people first-hand about their work and put a face on the actors that collectively forge European politics. We hope participants take away a good notion of the dynamics in EU politics and makes them confident to think and talk about these topics moving forward. For some, this trip may even inspire a professional path in EU policy. Overall, we hope that futurEU's trip to Brussels aims to make the Hertie School Community more knowledgeable and engaged in European policy-making.

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Practical info

Participants

Number: 10-20 (incl. Board members).

Eligibility: All currently enrolled Hertie students.

Selection model: 300-word motivation letters.

No priority given to EU Governance students.

Transport

Transport: Night train (European Sleeper).

Train departure to Brussels: Tuesday night, 02.04

Train departure to Berlin: Friday night, 05.04.

Price range (all-round): 150-180€

Accommodation

Hostel Location: As close to EU quarter as possible

Price range (2 nights): 80-90€



Expected Costs

Expenses	Per Person	Likely Subsidized	Remaining
Transport (2 night trains)	160€	130€	30€
Accommodation (2 nights)	80€	0€	80€
Total	240€	130€	110€

Explanation: futurEU is in the process of securing funds to make the Brussels visit affordable to all. We have likely secured funds to cover 130€ of the expected costs for participants. We are in the process of raising more to cover up 200€ per participant.

As this money would become available by reimbursement, we will have to ask participants to pay their expenses upfront and receive the reimbursements from futurEU afterwards. Meals and transport locally will be at participants' own costs.

In the scenario above, participants would pay approximately 110€, i.e. 46% of expected transport and accommodation expenses.



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Potential itinerary

Please find below a potential itinerary for our 3-day visit may. These visits have not been confirmed.

Day 1 - April 3rd

Morning (9-12h)	Arrival
Afternoon (13-16h)	Discussion with MEP Boeselager and Tour of the European Parliament
Evening (16-19h)	Visit to the House of European History

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Day 2 - April 4th

Morning (9-12h)	Permanent Representation of Member States/Regions i.e. NED, SWE, ITA, Bavaria
Afternoon (13-16h)	Thinktank visit i.e. Europe Jacques Delors, Bruegel
Evening (16-19h)	Student-Alumni mixer, including Bluebook Trainees

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Day 3 - April 5th

Morning (9-12h)	Meeting with lobbyist/public affairs i.e. BusinessEurope, EUTC, Health Alliance
Afternoon (13-16h)	Meeting with Commission Representative
Evening (16-19h)	Departure



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