The 2020 summer school organized by the Institute for European Studies was an outstanding learning experience. It helped me to better understand the decision making process within the EU and the future challenges the EU has to tackle. Despite being an online experience this year, due to the staff’s dedication, professionalism and the way the lectures were organized, the summer school felt like an on site event. I am more than grateful for this opportunity to learn about the EU in a multicultural environment.

Bogdan Popescu, 2020 participant
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I have participated in the Summer School on EU Policy making 2020. Despite the fact the course had to be held online for the first time, due to the COVID context, the organisers managed to keep it interesting, challenging and interactive! We did workshops, brainstorming, case studies and a simulation game which enabled us to put the theory in practice with direct feedback from experts in the field. I would highly recommend the short but intensive programme for anyone with a political, societal or general European interest (so anyone actually)!

- Charlotte Vanstallen, 2020 participant

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