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# BARENTS EU CENTRE

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# About Barents EU Centre

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The EU Centre in Barents Region was founded on the basis of the EU Information Centre of Petrozavodsk State University in December 2011.

**Overall Objective:** to improve overall awareness and knowledge on EU related issues (structure, policies, economy, law, the European integration, the EU-Russia relations, etc.) among lecturers, students, officials, CSIs and general public in the Republic of Karelia and the Barents area of Russia.



## Main Activities:

- Gathering, exchanging and spreading information on the EU;
- Implementation of conferences and seminars;
- Support of the research and educational cooperation on the study of the EU;
- Creation of educational programmes, study courses on EU history, EU member-states;
- Training of lecturers and staff members of organizations that cooperate with the EU;
- Preparation of publications;
- Assistance in the implementation of students' and lecturers' exchanges;
- Provision of consulting services on the opportunities of academic mobility and project activity.

## Target groups:

- Undergraduate, graduate and postgraduate students of the Barents area;
- Lecturers of the Barents area;
- Officials of regional and municipal administrations and civil society institutions of the Barents area dealing with the EU cooperation;
- General public of the Barents area interested in information on the EU, the EU studies, research, education and project activities

# Study course "Energy Policy of the European Union"

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The deputy director of the Linguistic Center of PetrSU, Smirnova Yulia Alekseevna, taught the course "Energy Policy of the European Union" for students of the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th years of undergraduate and graduate programs.



The goal of the course is to familiarize students with the history of formation and the prerogatives of the energy policy of the European Union. The objectives of the course were as follows: to provide a detailed explanation of the EU energy policy, highlight the main points of the evolution of the EU energy policy, disclose such a thing as "EU energy diplomacy", analyze the EU-Russia relations on issues related to energy cooperation.



The course included such topics as: the main and minor priorities of the European Union energy policy, the fuel and energy balance in the EU, the liberalization of gas and energy markets in the EU, the EU energy policy and foreign policy, the EU-Russia energy dialogue.

## Cultural integration policy: Russia and the CIS in the context of the European Union experience.

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The fourth meeting of the EU Research club took place in the European Union Centre in the Barents Region of Russia on May 22, 2018.

The Club was founded within the framework of the international project 'Establishing the EU Centre in the Barents area of Russia' and then supported again

by another project "Open module on the EU" project co-financed by the Erasmus programme of the EU.

This time the meeting took form of a discussion of the topic "Cultural integration policy: Russia and the CIS in the context of the European Union experience".

Staff members from the department of the international project and programs, students of the Institute of History, Political and Social Studies took part in this meeting.

During the discussion participants watched several video films related to the topic, heard the expert opinion, and exchanged their knowledge and evaluations of the situation. Many participants shared their personal experience of communicating with specialists in this sphere and European citizens concerning the relations with Russia and the CIS.



The participants gave positive feedback on the organization of the meeting and expressed the readiness to be a part of the EU Research Center in the future.

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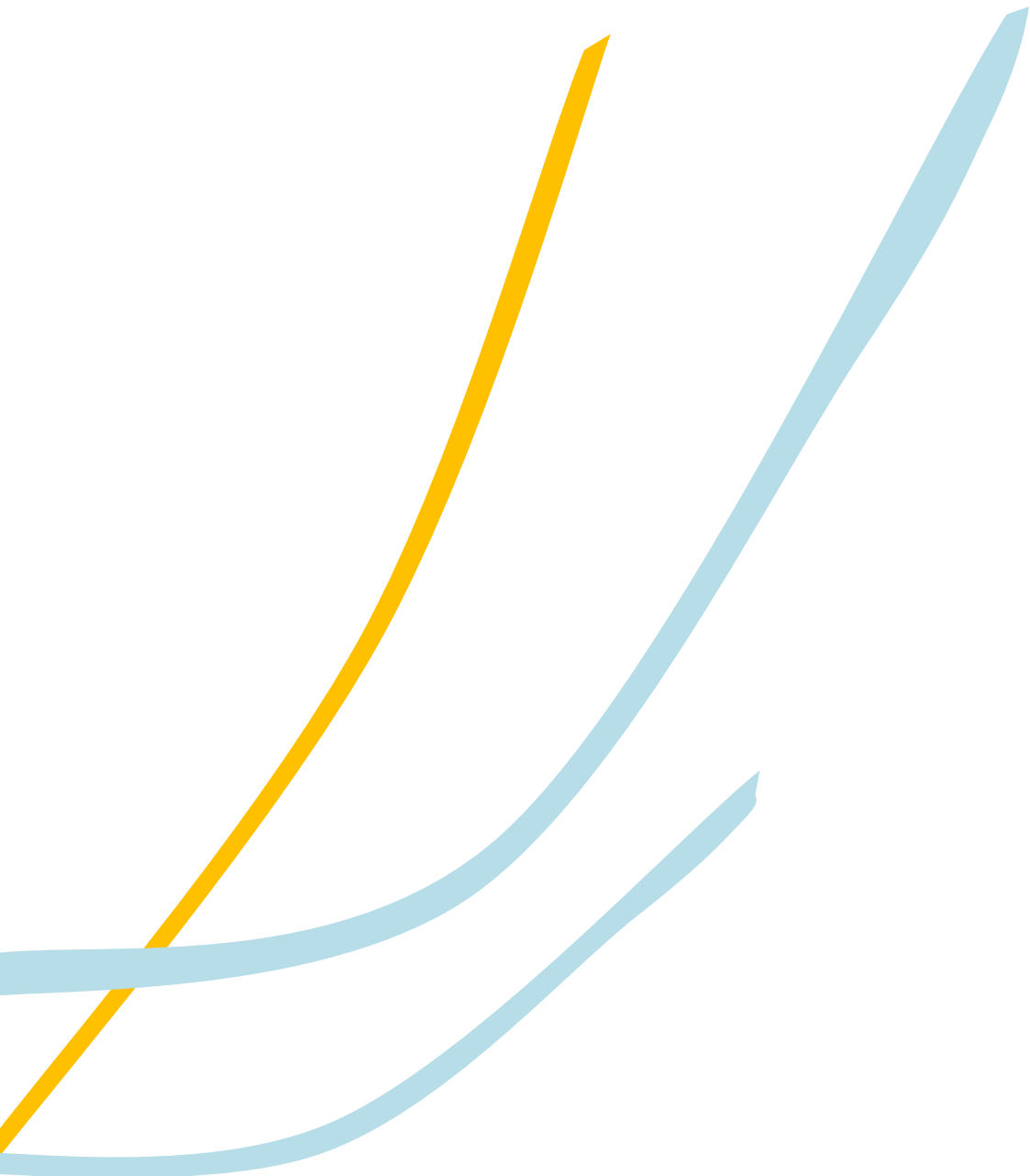
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