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The International Conference EUropa.S. - EUropa Simulation is organized by the Institute of Research & Training on European Affairs (I.R.T.E.A.) and will take place from the 15th to the 18th of April 2022 in Athens. EUropa.S. is funded by Erasmus+ Programme on Youth of the European Union via INEDIVIM (Youth and Lifelong Learning Foundation). Furthermore, this year's conference is dedicated and celebrates 2022 as the European Year of Youth.

The International Conference EUropa.S. is a Simulation of the European Union's Institutions, which gives college students the chance to get acquainted with the role and function of EU bodies and also contributes to the acquisition of soft skills, which will be useful in their career.

Furthermore, the fact that the languages of conduct are English and French, allows participants to practice and improve their language skills, while enabling the participation of international and Erasmus students in Greece, helping them enrich their experience in our country.

The International Conference EUropa.S. has been organized at the University of Piraeus annually since 2010. After a short "break" due to the COVID-19 pandemic, EUropa.S. returns dynamically this year to address major European Union-related issues. Greek and international college students will gather to discuss topics about environmental politics, foreign affairs, education, as well as, the technological evolution in Europe. Each Institution simulated has a separate and unique agenda from which the participants can choose, the ones that interest them more and are aligned to their discipline of studies.



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During the 4 days of the conference sessions, the participants get the chance to experience the function of each European Institution and put themselves in the “spotlight” of the latest EU developments.

Within the general framework of EUropa.S. 2022, I.R.T.E.A. will organize a variety of side events, like seminars and open dialogues about the project in Athens, Thessaloniki, Rethymnon, and Komotini, structured dialogues, and a special event of evaluating the results prompted by the celebration of the Day of Europe on the 9th of May. These side events aim to inform college students about EUropa.S.: its history, its role, and the opportunities offered from the participation in it, as well as other EU-funded projects.

I.R.T.E.A. invites all young people aged 18-25 to participate in the International Conference EUropa.S. 2022 from the 15th to the 18th of April 2022. The general applications will remain open until 28 February 2022, but the first assignment circle deadline is on 23 December 2021. The participation fee is 45€ for general positions and 25€ for staff members. Those interested in participating can visit the official website and choose and apply for their preferred position at [EUropa.S 2022: APPLY NOW – EUropa.S. \(irtea.gr\)](https://www.europas.irtea.gr)

Moreover, I.R.T.E.A. offers 28 scholarships to young people from Thessaloniki, Rethymnon, and Komotini to participate in EUropa.S. 2022.

For more information, you can visit the official website of the conference (www.europas.irtea.gr) or contact us at our official email (europas.irtea@gmail.com).