

EXECUTIVE TRAINING SEMINAR

ETGN SUMMER SCHOOL ON AGILE GOVERNANCE 2023

June 19 – June 22, 2023

EUI School of Transnational Governance, Via Cavour 65, Florence

PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION

In times of accelerating technological development, as well as existential risks such as climate change and infectious diseases, agile governance is becoming a “must have” for governments, businesses and international organisations. Being able to anticipate future events, quickly reorganise in times of disruption and adequately respond to fast-changing environments is an essential feature of agile organisations.

Originally developed in the private sector, as an emerging characteristic of thriving organisations, the notion of agile governance has gradually been adapted to the domain of governments and institutions, where it is now inspiring far-reaching reforms, gradually charting the future of government. Since 2020, institutions such as the US Government and Accountability Office and the Government of Japan have adopted initiatives on agile governance; and the governments of Canada, Denmark, Italy, Japan, Singapore, UAE and UK signed the world’s first “Agile Nations” agreement at a panel co-organised by the OECD and the World Economic Forum (WEF).

This Summer School provides an in-depth introduction to agile governance, defined as adaptive, human-centred, inclusive, multi-stakeholder and sustainable policy-making. Trainers and participants will discuss emerging tools such as foresight and horizon scanning, regulatory sandboxes, GovTech solutions, Artificial Intelligence, policy co-creation, citizen engagement and more.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of the programme, participants will be able to:

- Describe the notion of agile governance, and the ways in which it can strengthen competitiveness, sustainability, and resilience;

- Compare different approaches to agile governance design, from the business and the public sector point of view;
- Examine opportunities and challenges of AI and big data in government;
- Recognise ways in which effective public-private partnerships and an inclusive policy process can strengthen government agility.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Policymakers at all levels of government;
- Senior and mid-career civil servants;
- Senior staff in corporations delivering public services;
- Early- and mid-career lawyers and economic consultants;
- Staff in tech companies developing tools for government;
- Researchers focusing on tech and governance.

CERTIFICATION

The participants of the summer school will receive a training certificate from the ETGN, a network of seven European institutes that offer top-of-the-market executive education for policy professionals.

- Central European University (CEU);
- College of Europe, Bruges Campus;
- College of Europe, Natolin Campus;
- EUI School of Transnational Governance (STG);
- Hertie School – The University of Governance in Berlin;
- Institut National du Service Public (INSP);
- SDA Bocconi School of Management.

PROGRAMME COORDINATORS

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INSTRUCTORS

Cameran ASHRAF | Professor, Central European University; Head of Human Rights, Wikimedia Foundation; Co-Founder, AccessNow

Noora BIN KALBAN | Head of Experimental Design at the Mohammad Bin Rashid Centre for Government Innovation

Maria Claudia BODINO | IT Strategy and Planning Officer, European Commission, Directorate-General for Informatics

Dimitri LORENZANI | Member of the Cabinet of the Vice-President of the European Commission for Interinstitutional Relations and Foresight Mr. Maroš Šefčovič

Francesco MENEGONI | Technical Innovation Project Manager, Department for Digital Transformation, Government of Italy

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Natalie MAROUN | Director of development at the International Crisis Watch

Olaf OSICA | Director of Strategy and Analysis Office of the City of Warsaw and Associate Fellow at the College of Europe Natolin

Tommaso GHIDINI | Head of Structures, Mechanisms & Materials Division, European Space Agency (ESA)

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

DAY 1

Monday, 19 June 2023

9.30 – 10.45 CET

What is Agile Governance?

Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance

George PAPACONSTANTINOU | Dean of Executive Education,
European University Institute | Professor of International Political
Economy, School of Transnational Governance

10.45 – 11.15 CET

Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.30 CET

Strategic Foresight: the Commission's approach to agility

Dimitri LORENZANI | Member of the Cabinet of the Vice-President of the
European Commission for Interinstitutional Relations and Foresight Mr.
Maroš Šefčovič

12.30 – 13.30 CET

Lunch Break

13.30 – 14.45 CET

Fostering Entrepreneurial Behaviour in Public Sector Organizations

Jasna POČEK | Researcher, Free University of Bozen-Bolzano & Center
for Innovation Research, Sweden

14.45 – 15.15 CET

Coffee Break

15.15 – 16.30 CET

Systems Engineering

Tommaso GHIDINI | Head of Structures, Mechanisms & Materials
Division, European Space Agency (ESA)

16.30 – 17:00 CET

Key Takeaways of Day 1

Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance

DAY 2

Tuesday, 20 June 2023

9.30 – 10.45 CET

Designing Agile Governance Systems (Part 1)

Hiroki HABUKA | Research Professor, Kyoto University, Graduate School of Law

10.45 – 11.15 CET

Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.30 CET

Designing Agile Governance Systems (Part 2)

Hiroki HABUKA | Research Professor, Kyoto University, Graduate School of Law

12.30 – 13.30 CET

Lunch Break

13.30 – 14.45 CET

“Sperimentazione Italia”

Francesco MENEGONI | Technical Innovation Project Manager, Department for Digital Transformation, Government of Italy

14.45 – 15.15 CET

Coffee Break

15.15 – 16.30 CET

Agility in the UAE

Noora BIN KALBAN | Head of Experimental Design at the Mohammad Bin Rashid Centre for Government Innovation

16.30 – 17:00 CET

Key Takeaways of Day 2

Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance

19.30 CET

Social Dinner

Location TBC

DAY 3

Wednesday, 21 June 2023

- 9.30 – 10.45 CET** **Using AI and Big Data for Agile Governance (Part 1)**
Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance
- 10.45 – 11.15 CET** **Coffee Break**
- 11.15 – 12.30 CET** **Using AI and Big Data for Agile Governance (Part 2)**
Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance
- 12.30 – 13.30 CET** **Lunch Break**
- 13.30 – 14.45 CET** **Enabling a data-driven public sector: from hype to action using the Big Data Test Infrastructure (BDTI)**
Maria Claudia BODINO | IT Strategy and Planning Officer, European Commission, Directorate-General for Informatics
- 14.45 – 15.15 CET** **Coffee Break**
- 15.15 – 16.30 CET** **“Super Agility” in Decision-making in Complex and Uncertain Contexts**
Natalie MAROUN | Director of development at the International Crisis Watch
- 16.30 – 17:00 CET** **Key Takeaways of Day 3**
Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance

DAY 4

Thursday, 22 June 2023

9.30 – 10.45 CET

Citizens, Human Rights, and Agile Governance

Cameran ASHRAF | Professor, Central European University; Head of Human Rights, Wikimedia Foundation; Co-Founder, AccessNow

10.45 – 11.15 CET

Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.30 CET

Agile Governance and a City. A Perspective from the City of Warsaw

Olaf OSICA | Director of Strategy and Analysis Office of the City of Warsaw and Associate Fellow at the College of Europe Natolin

12.30 – 13.30 CET

Lunch Break

13.30 – 14.45 CET

Planning and Executing Public Administration Reforms

Maja HANDIJSKA-TRENDAFILOVA | Director, Regional School of Public Administration ReSPA

George PAPACONSTANTINOU | Dean of Executive Education, European University Institute | Former Minister of Finance, Greece

14.45 – 15.15 CET

Coffee Break

15:15 – 16:30 CET

Agile Governance: Combining the Perspectives

Andrea RENDA | Professor, EUI School of Transnational Governance