



Jean Monnet Chair

In

The European Union as an Actor in South Asia

(2020-2023)

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Jean Monnet Chair – As part of Jean Monnet Actions

- Falls under the Jean Monnet Actions in the field of Higher Education
- Supports teaching and research in the European Union studies
- Other forms of Jean Monnet Actions in Higher Education are Modules and Centres of Excellence



Jean Monnet Chair – Basic Criteria

- Chairs are teaching posts for university professors with a specialization in European Union studies
- Duration of three years.
- Minimum of 90 teaching hours per academic year.
- The Chair is held by one professor, and may also have a team to support and enhance the activities of the Chair, including the provision of additional teaching hours.



Jean Monnet Chair – Objectives

- To promote excellence in teaching and research in EU studies
- To foster dialogue between the academic world and society
- To generate knowledge and insights in support of EU policymaking
- To reach out to a wider public and spread knowledge about the EU
- To strive to function as a vector for public diplomacy



Jean Monnet Chair – Award Criteria

➤ **Relevance of the project**

- The proposal should meet the objectives of the Jean Monnet Chair

➤ **Quality of the project design and implementation**

- The project should be clear in terms of methodology, work programme, and monitoring and evaluation strategy

➤ **Quality of the partnership and cooperation arrangements**

- Excellent profile and expertise of the Chair holder in European Union studies; relevance of the expertise of key staff involved in the project

➤ **Impact**

- Expected impact on the host institution, participating students, and other organizations & individuals



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- Motivation and support extended by the EU Delegation to Pakistan, and National University of Modern Languages (NUML)





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About the Chair

- Awarded to Dr. Muhammad Riaz Shad under Erasmus+ programme of the European Union w.e.f. Oct 2020.
- Out of 1447 eligible applications worldwide, 240 got selected for Jean Monnet Actions. This included overall 66 chairs.
- In our region, China achieved 7, India 3, and Pakistan 1 JMC
- First-ever in Pakistan
- Chair Holder's Profile



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- Mainstreaming of teaching, research and debate in/on the EU/European studies
- Core Activities of the Chair
 - Teaching
 - Research
 - Debate



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Chair Activity	Achievements
Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 270 CHs over 3 years• 723 students participated in the Chair's Course
Research	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ 6 research publications related to European Union Politics✓ 2 M.Phil theses✓ 1 PhD theses✓ A number of BS Research Papers
Debate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ 23 events including international conferences, seminars, guest talks and other such activities▪ 3 759 participants



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Few Event Pictures





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Awareness Sessions on Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Scholarships



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Informative Session on

Erasmus Mundus Joint Masters Scholarships

(26th May 2021)

Dr. Riaz Shad
Associate Professor IR
Jean Monnet Chair
National University of Modern Languages





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Chair's Webpage: <https://numl.edu.pk/JeanMonnetChair/>



The screenshot shows the website of the Jean Monnet Chair at the National University of Modern Languages (NUML). The browser window displays the URL <https://numl.edu.pk/JeanMonnetChair/>. The website header includes the NUML logo, the chair's title, and a banner indicating support from the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Union. A navigation menu lists: NUML Home | About The Chair | Chair Holder | Teaching | Research | Events/News | Contact Us. The main content area is titled "About The Chair" and contains two paragraphs of text. To the right of the text is a portrait of Dr. Muhammad Riaz Shad. Further right is an "Announcements" section. The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the search bar, various application icons, and system information including the date and time (10:26 PM, 2/12/2024).

About The Chair

A Jean Monnet Chair is a three-year teaching and research post awarded to university professors with a specialization in European Union studies. Jean Monnet Chairs are achieved through a competitive process under the Erasmus + programme of the European Union. They are named after Jean Monnet (1888-1979), a visionary French civil servant who is revered as the founding father of the European Union.

National University of Modern Languages (NUML), Islamabad is credited to establish the first-ever Jean Monnet Chair in Pakistan. The chair titled 'The European Union as an Actor in South Asia' has been awarded to Dr. Muhammad Riaz Shad, Associate Professor in International Relations for the period 2020-23. The chair holder specializes in Politics of the European Union

Announcements



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Research Initiatives

S. No.	Type	Title	Status
1	Book	Contemporary EU-Pakistan Relations: Achievements and Prospects	In progress
2	Research Project (HEC NRPU)	Prioritizing Economic Agenda in Pakistan's Foreign Policy: Lessons Drawn on the Discourse Analysis of its Relations with the US, China and the European Union, 2015-2020.	In progress
3	Research Papers	Related to European Union politics	10 articles published; Few in progress



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Challenges

- **Academic discourse in Pakistani universities is dominated by the traditional security studies; less focus on EU/European studies**
- **Lack of faculty specialized in EU/European studies studies**
- **Lack of research in EU/European studies**



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Jean Monnet Chair's key contribution

**Mainstreaming of teaching, research and debate in
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Thank You