



Three Years of EUNMUTE



Following three years of intensive operation, the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence **Un-Muting Europe (EUNMUTE)** concluded its funding period in September 2025. Managed from the Institute for European Studies, the Centre was coordinated by **Denis Duez** and benefited from the dedicated commitment of **Thérèse Davio**, **Florence Delmotte**, **Amandine Orsini**, and **Sophie Jacquot (CReSPo)**. We extend our sincere gratitude for their profound involvement in this project.

Interdisciplinary Research on Marginalised Voices

Over the course of its mandate, the Centre fostered interdisciplinary research and teaching on the EU's capacity to **amplify marginalised voices**. Its work addressed the rule of law, social inclusion, gender, environmental protection, migrant rights, and the challenges of the digital transition. A monthly research **seminar** supported the development of a shared conceptual framework at the intersection of political science and law.

Key Accomplishments

Among the Centre's achievements were the organisation of the *PhD and Early-Career Workshop: **Standing up for the Voiceless? Exploring the EU's Capacity for Rights Protection*** in 2024, and the symposium *Europe: **La Voix qui Porte?*** in 2025. EUNMUTE also contributed to two edited volumes, 67 articles, and 45 book chapters. The Centre further supported the scholarly mobility of **Amandine Orsini** (Laval University) and **Sophie Jacquot** (University of Montreal).

Teaching and Public Engagement

In teaching, the Centre led innovative initiatives for students enrolled in UCLouvain's **Bachelor's** and **Master's** programmes, as well as **secondary school** pupils aged 16 and 17 **voting for the first time** in the 2024 European elections.

EUNMUTE was also committed to fostering dialogue with civil society on the representation of the voiceless. It organised 15 **conference-debates** and supported two **cultural events**, creating an active meeting space between artistic expression and academic research.

All records of the EUNMUTE project are available on:

- The project website,
- the IEE YouTube channel,
- and the *Unmuting Europe* podcasts.

Introducing EUMERGENCIES



The conclusion of EUNMUTE marks the launch of a new Centre: **EUMERGENCIES**, still coordinated by **Denis Duez**. The Centre of Excellence ***Unity and Disunity in the EU's Response*** (101238776 - ERASMUS-JMO-2025-HEI-TCH-RSCH) aims to cast a **critical eye on the role of emergencies in the development of the EU**.

How do emergencies foster solidarity and cooperation within the EU? Conversely, how do narratives of urgency undermine social cohesion, constitutional foundations, or political stability? These are the questions that EUMERGENCIES will endeavour to explore.

Join us for an expert online roundtable on a pressing EU issue.

Reparations Loan for Ukraine: Legal and Political Implications

17 December, 14:30–16:00 (online)



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