

# ERASMUS INTENSIVE LANGUAGE COURSES 2013-14

- ORGANISING INSTITUTION'S INFORMATION FORM -

INSTITUTION NAME:	MEDITERRANEAN AGRONOMIC INSTITUTE OF CHANIA		
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COUNTRY:	GREECE		
EILC LANGUAGE	GREEK		
LEVEL COURSES ORGANISED:	Level I (beginner)  Number of courses: 1 Dates: 12/7/2013 - 12/8/2013	LEVEL II (INTERMEDIATE) ☐ NUMBER OF COURSES: DATES:	
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#### PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION

#### • DESCRIPTION OF TOWN

#### - SHORT HISTORY AND LOCATION

The most poetic city of Crete when you walk through it leaves you with a pleasant taste of beauty. Built on the ruins of ancient Kidonia it has seen and survived many invaders, but has also tasted civilizations that left their marks on building faces, castles, walls, antiquities, monasteries and churches.

The city has two entrances: the airport of Akrotiri, and the port of Souda (the largest in the Mediterranean). The public market holds a master place in the center of the city, a brilliant cross-shaped building that was completed in 1913, and in proportion with the one in Marseilles.

Near the city center the Public Garden awaits you next to the "Peace and Friendship of the people" park. The gardens are the prettiest in Crete, and also the public garden offers a small zoo with animals from Cretan fauna.

The Venetian port picturesque any time and season is attractive to visitors and locals, for it's beauty and for it's choices of entertainment for all tastes and demands. The old city "intramural" districts preserve their Venetian nobility. Narrow paved alleys are surrounded with tasteful renewed houses, from various ages, are offered for a pleasant walk. Many neoclassic houses are also saved in districts which "neighbor" with the city of Chania, like Halepa.

The county of Chania covers the western part of the island of Crete and comprises an area of 2.376 km2 and a population of 140,000 residents (1991 population census). The island is divided into 5 prefectures with the capital the city of Chania (52.000 population). Since 1999 the county divided into 23 municipalities and 2 provinces. The northen area of the county with very welcome seas, ends in 3 peninsulas. The south side of the island which borders the Libyan sea presents the biggest amount of sunlight in Europe. North, west and south the county is surrounded by sea.

All the above information and more can be found on the web-site of the Municipality of Chania:

www.chania.gr

#### - MAIN LOCAL/CULTURAL EVENTS

Chania, having a rich presence in time and history, beautifully combines the old and the new, the historic past with the vivid present. It offers a wide variety in museums, monuments, sights and cultural activities.

Everyone who visits the town of Chania, has the opportunity to enjoy himself, become familiar with the local history, the tradition and civilization. He may also taste the cretan products, getting to know the popular Cretan Nutrition and the unique cretan hospitality.

- <u>Museums</u>
- Monuments & sights
- Municipal gallery
- Cultural events
- Cretan nutrition

**July - September:** Cultural Summer Events of the Municipality of Chania which include music and stage performances in the Theatre of the Eastern Trench, the Public Garden, the Venizelio music school, the Park of Peace and Friendship. Other events are also held in several neighbourhoods of the town. Cultural Summer Events are also organised by the municipality of Kissamos, Nea Kydonia, Pelekanos and Georgioupolis.

#### - HOW TO REACH TOWN (LINKS FROM THE NEAREST AIRPORT, TRAIN OR COACH STATIONS)

Chania is the second largest city of Crete (after Heraklion) and lies along the north coast of the island.

The city of Chania is served by the Chania International Airport (CHQ). There are direct scheduled and charter flights connecting Chania with several European cities. Provisional information about flights to Chania can be found here. Please contact your travel agent for details about charter flight schedules. Domestic flights from the Athens International Airport are also frequent and are carried out by Olympic Airlines and Aegean Airlines. There is no public transport available connecting Chania airport with MAICh. The best way to reach MAICh is to take a taxi which costs approximately 17-23€. Local transportation from the airport to the city center is available in the morning at 07:15, 10:15 and afternoon at 19:30 (time schedule may vary depending on the period). The bus ticket costs approximately 2,30€.

Chania can be conveniently reached by boat from Athens. Ferries to Chania (Souda port) leave from Athens (Piraeus port) on a daily basis. The overnight/daytime trip with ANEK lines takes about 9 hours. A regular bus service (buses leave every 20min) connects the port of Souda to the city centre of Chania. Taxis from Souda to the city centre cost approximately 12€. Also note that there is a direct bus service connecting Athens International Airport with Piraeus port. The Piraeus port may also be reached by the Athens Metro (change at MONASTIRAKI for Line 1 to Pireaus) or the Suburban Railway (change at NERATZIOTISSA for Line 1 to Pireaus). More information about public transport in Athens can be found here. Click here for a map of the Athens Metro-Railway system.

More info: <a href="http://confer.maich.gr/info/travel.html">http://confer.maich.gr/info/travel.html</a>

#### - TRANSPORT IN TOWN (BRIEF INFORMATION ON THE MAIN MEANS OF TRANSPORT AVAILABLE)

There is a local bus service (Bus Number 13) that runs every 20 minutes to Chania and to the port of Souda in the opposite direction. The bus stop is located on the main street, Karamanlis avenue (previous called Souda avenue) very close to MAICh's main entrance (2min walking distance).

The bus is labelled "XANIA" or " $\Sigma$ OY $\Delta$ A", depending on the respective destination (tickets can be purchased at the cafeteria of MAICh or on the bus with an extra charge)

There is a bus station in Chania (KTEL) which serves destinations further afield.

The first bus Chania-Souda leaves Chania 06:00 and the last bus leaves Chania at 22:40 (www.chaniabus.gr)

Taxis are available on a 24-hour basis. Taxi company phone numbers are 28210-98700 (ERMIS), 28210-94300 (KYDON) and 28210-89555 (SOUDA)

#### • SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANISING INSTITUTION

The Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (MAICh) is a constituent Institute of the International Centre of Advanced Mediterranean Agronomic Studies (CIHEAM). The Centre is an intergovernmental organisation (fourteen member States-1) whose purpose is the development of scientific co-operation by providing post graduate education, research training and applications in the fields of economics, management, and applied biological, technological and environmental sciences, as related to rural areas.

Two types of postgraduate programmes are offered by CIHEAM / MAICh:

- 1. THE MASTER OF SCIENCE (MSc) PROGRAMME
- 2. THE ADVANCED SPECIALISED COURSES PROGRAMME

The academic work and research applications provided by the Institute is achieved through close cooperation with a large number of faculties in the EU, USA, Mediterranean countries and the scientific staff of the Institute. An average number of 100 students annually participate in the institute's postgraduate programs. The working and instruction language is English. In addition, students have the opportunity to attend Greek language lessons which are offered by MAICh.

Courses are organised in sections, made up of different units for which a certain number of ECTS are given. MAICh fully implements the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

The Institute has been actively engaged over the years in promoting international cooperation between EU and non EU member Mediterranean, Balkan and Eastern European countries, by providing educational and research training opportunities. Since 1994, the international cooperation has expanded to all European countries participating in the ERASMUS/SOCRATES program. Students from European Institutions have the opportunity to participate and work together with students from the above mentioned regions and to further strengthen the bonds of cooperation between enlarged EU and neighbouring Southern countries of the Mediterranean zone. This multicultural environment strengthens European integration and ties with the non-EU proximal countries in the region.

Pictures from the previous EILC course are available on facebook at

http://www.facebook.com/MAICh.Conference.Center.official/photos albums

#### • ACCOMMODATION

- SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE ACCOMMODATION OFFERED (HOTEL, APARTMENTS, STUDENT HALLS, OTHERS; IF THERE ARE COOKING FACILITIES) AND ON THE RENT TO BE PAID PER WEEK

All students are provided with a furnished room for the duration of their period of study. All rooms are air-conditioned and have private facilities.

Internet access is available in the dormitories and wireless connection is available in the cafeteria.

Cooking is not permitted in the rooms.

Linen is provided by the Institute.

#### Accommodation Rates (full board):

<u>Shared room</u>:180€ per person/month or €50 per person/week or €10 per person/day for every extra day <u>Private room</u>: 280€ per person/month or €80 per person/week or €15 per person/day for every extra day

#### • MEALS

- SHORT DESCRIPTION ON THE SERVICES OFFERED (UNIVERSITY CANTEENS, RESTAURANTS, BARS, OTHERS)

A restaurant is open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner, except during national holidays. All meals are self served. Students may use the Cafeteria –Bar services. Snacks and drinks are sold at reduced prices. The opening hours are from Monday to Friday from 08:00-15:00. There are kiosks and supermarkets available for the students' convenience in the immediate area.

#### • RECEPTION OF STUDENTS

- MEETING POINT (PLACE, DATE AND TIME OF FIRST MEETING - FOR EACH COURSE WHERE DIFFERENT)

Orientation Day commencing in the Meeting Room adjacent to the Cafeteria – Restaurant of MAICh's central building.

#### EXTRA MURAL ACTIVITIES

- SITE VISITS

A CITY TOUR AND/OR AN EXCURSION WILL BE ORGANIZED FOR THE STUDENTS

- SPORTS FACILITIES (SWIMMING, TENNIS, GYMNASIUM; OPENING DAYS AND AVAILABLE INFORMATION)

Outdoor facilities include Tennis, Basketball and Volleyball courts and a five-a-side football pitch. Indoor facilities include table tennis and billiards.

- ENTERTAINMENT (CINEMA, THEATRE, ETC.; BRIEF INFORMATION ON PLACES AND STUDENT FACILITIES)

Chania is one of the most popular destinations in Greece, not only because of its hospitality and beauty, but also due to the abundance of the leisure activities offered. There are options for all kinds of tastes and interests.

- Water sports: The morphology of the northern and southern coasts of Chania, offers unique maritime experiences as <u>sailing</u>, <u>sea kayaking</u> and <u>diving</u>.
- Walking trails: An ideal way for direct contact with the wild beauty and rough trails or easily approached areas of the countryside, is wandering on <u>trails</u>, gorges (<u>Samarias</u>, <u>Agia Irini</u>, Polirinia and Halase) and mountain refuges. Funs of climbing have the opportunity to discover great <u>climbing routes</u>. There is also the choice of visiting <u>monasteries</u> and villages. (<u>Palaioxora</u> <u>Sougia</u>, Douliana Gavaloxori, <u>Agia Roumeli</u> Agios Ioannis)
- Routs covered by bike, car or motorcycle: The area of Chania is ideal for cycling routes in the Portokalioxoria of Campos and Canyon <u>Kantanos</u>. As well as, in places untouched throughout the time and can be discovered along routes such as:
- ≥ Chania Kournas Asi Gonia Kallikratis Fragokastelo,
- <u>Georgioupolis</u> Exopoli Monastery of Karidi <u>Vrises</u> Alikampos Fones,
- > Chania Provasma Samonas Kiriakoselia Ramni Pemonia Fres Nio Xorio,
- 👱 Chania- Voukolies Fotokado Palia Roumata Ano Kefala <u>Voukolies</u> Nio Xorio Sirili Tauronitis,
- Chania- Sfinari Kampos Amugdalokefali Elafonisi Elos Topolia Kaloudiana

Bus Time Table: <a href="http://www.bus-service-crete-ktel.com/">http://www.bus-service-crete-ktel.com/</a>

Alternative activities: Chania is also an excellent destination for Botanical (hebal) trails. (Area A' Elafonisi - Cape Krios, Area B'

Elos – <u>Topolia</u>- Sasalos- Agios Dikaios) and <u>bird watching</u>.

### Note: where more than one course is organised at each level, this form should be copied and completed for each course

#### PART II: COURSE(S) DESCRIPTION

Course no: 1	l
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**LEVEL:** 

I: Beginner course	X			
II: Intermediate course				
	FROM	_	То	
PERIOD: SUMMER	12/7/2013		12/8/2013	
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• LANGUAGE COMPONENT - SHORT DESCRIPTION OF LANGUAGE COMPO				
The course is designed for incoming Er	asmus exchange studen	nts who wish to atte	nd Greek courses in parallel to their	
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traditional teaching methods lectures.	PP-0	Be an and a second		
- SUBJECT-SPECIFIC LANGUAGE ELEMENTS (e.g. special modules for students in particul IF YES, SPECIFY:		□YES <b>⊠</b> NO		
- DURATION				
TOTAL NUMBER OF CLASSES		80h.		
HOURS IN CLASSROOM		60h.	60h.	
HOURS OF PRACTICE CONVERSATION/LANGU.	AGE LABORATORY	20h.		
OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)				
- ASSESSMENT (SPECIFY IF THE ASSESSMENT	IS MADE BY WRITTEN/ORAL	EXAMINATION, ASSIG	NMENT, ETC.)	
WRITTEN AND ORAL EXAMINATION WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE EXAMS A C	ERTIFICATE WHICH AWAR	RDS 6ECTS WILL BE DI	ELIVERED TO THE STUDENTS	
• Course facilities				
- TEACHING AIDS				
☑ AUDIO/VIDEO MATERIALS				
☐ COMPUTER/SOFTWARE				
⊠HANDOUTS/PRINTED TEXTS				
□ TRANSPARENCIES				
☐ OTHER: (SPECIFY)				
POWER POINT PRESENTATIONS THROUGH (	COMPUTER AND VIDEO PRO	DJECTOR		

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- LIBRARY		YES 🗵 NO	0 🗆
IF YES, SPECIFY:			
TIMES	08:30-21:00		
OPENING DAYS	MONDAY TO FRIDAY		
ADDRESS	MAICH		
- LANGUAGE LABORATORY		YES□ NO	
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• TEACHERS AND SU	UPPORT STAFF	Number of .	
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☐ TEACHERS		1	
$\square$ ADMINISTRATORS		1	
☐ STUDENTS		10	