



**The European Law Students' Association ELSA Rijeka**  
**University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law**  
**Inter-University Centre of Excellence Opatija**  
**in cooperation with the Hanns Seidel Foundation**

organise the workshop

## **The European Parliament: The voice of EU youth?**

This event is organised as part of the activities celebrating the year 2022 as the European Year of Youth. The future of European Union depends on young people and their involvement in the construction of better, inclusive and more just society. Youth participation in the creation of meaningful policies that have a lasting impact on young peoples' lives and futures is essential in achieving this goal. This event will therefore provide the students from the University of Rijeka with the opportunity to get to know the role of the European Parliament and experience through a simulated plenary session what it means to participate in the creation of those policies. The workshop will be divided in three sessions. In the first session, the current and alumni students from the University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law will share their experience from their internships at the European Parliament. During the second session, students will simulate a plenary session of the European Parliament, and discuss selected issues they deem important for the integration of the position of young people in parliamentary debate. The first two sessions will be held in Croatian. In the third session, which will be held in English, Erasmus students from various EU Member States currently studying at the University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law, will join the Croatian students to share their experience with the Erasmus mobility programme. A roundtable discussion will offer the possibility for Croatian students to connect with the Erasmus students and to hear more about what it is like to study in the cities the Erasmus students are coming from.

The overarching aim this event is to engage in a constructive dialogue and make the voice of young people heard.

**Venue: Inter-University Centre of Excellence Opatija**  
**Vladimira Nazora 2, Opatija**

9:30 Introduction: Ema Laginja, **VP for Academic Activities, ELSA**

Opening speeches

**Assoc. Prof. Dr. Ana Pošćić**

10:00 – 10:40

**1st Session: Internship in European Parliament: The students' Experience**

Speaker: Roberta Radlović, mag. iur.; alumni, University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law

10:40 – 12:00

**2nd Session: European Parliament: Simulation of the Plenary Session**

**Topic: Empowering European Youth**

12:00 Lunch Break

13:00 – 13:40

**3rd Session: Studying abroad - Erasmus+ Student Exchange Programme: Experiences of Incoming Students at the University of Rijeka, Faculty of Law**

**Q&A, Students' resolution and conclusions**