



**ReLaTe** - Law and business in China in the framework of the EU and China investment and trade relations: the challenges of digital-tech age

## PRESS RELEASE

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The Jean Monnet Module “ReLaTe - Law and business in China in the framework of the EU and China investment and trade relations: the challenges of digital-tech age” enters its **third year** and it opens with its **48-hour teaching course**, entirely taught in English, that will run from 15 September 2025 to December 2025 at the Department of Legal Studies. The course provides an in-depth examination of the evolving legal and economic relations between the European Union and China, with particular attention to the impact of digital technologies in the legal domain.

As part of the Module, students will be involved in additional activities, such as the creation of a **podcast** series designed to explore selected topics addressed during the lectures, and a study **visit to the Bologna Technopole** to learn about Leonardo, one of the world’s most powerful European supercomputers.

The teaching course is complemented by a series of **focus seminars** designed to provide deeper insights into the topics addressed in the course. During the **first semester**, the following seminars will be held: “Artificial Intelligence, Data Protection and Legal Models” by Professor Giusella Finocchiaro; “The EU and China Digital Sovereignty” by Professor Federico Casolari; and “EU–China Cooperation on IPR. The EU–China Digital Dialogue” by Professor Angela Carpi. In the **second semester**, the following seminars will take place: “New Developments in Artificial Intelligence and Their Legal and Ethical Implications” by Professor Alessandro Amoroso and Professor Marina Timoteo; and



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“Economic and Cultural Exchanges between the EU and China” by Professor Valeria Zanier.

In **December 2025** the **final international conference** on “The EU and China Investment and Trade Relations: Legal Challenges of the Digital-Tech Age” will be held in Bologna. The conference will bring together European and Chinese scholars and experts with high-profile international to discuss how the EU and China are shaping digital technology regulation at domestic and global levels within the broader framework of their investment and trade relations.

All the activities and events will be announced on the **official project’s website** <https://site.unibo.it/relate/en>.



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