



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
THE GENUINE BUSINESS SCHOOL

# COMMENCEMENT

*Künstlerhaus*  
*June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019*

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COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY 2019  
PROGRAM



**SEATING OF GUESTS**

**ACADEMIC PROCESSION**

**WELCOMING REMARKS**

Sascha E. Liebhardt

*Chancellor, New European College*

**COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS**

Thorsten Robrecht

*Vice President,*

*Advanced Mobile Networks Solutions, Nokia*

**PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

*Excellence in Teaching*

*Outstanding Academic Achievement*

*Special Recognition*

**VALEDICTORIAN SPEECH**

Lydia Siebler

*MBA 2019*

**AWARDING OF ACADEMIC DIPLOMAS**

Michael Epping & Sascha E. Liebhardt

**CLOSING OF CEREMONY**

**COCKTAIL RECEPTION @ IL SOGNO**



*D*ear Class of 2019,

*The fundament of success is perseverance or the ability to fall in love with your own ideas. Why? Because when we are in love, there is no mountain too high or no business challenge too big. And perseverance plus love becomes passion, the other fundament of success.*

*To make sure your passion does not take you off the track - use common sense.*

*Some ideas are crazy and assessing the degree of craziness is the art and science of success. Remember, there are no bad ideas, but maybe the time is not yet ready for your great idea.*

*Becoming and remaining invincible requires you to leave your comfort zone and sail through the fear zone into the learning zone to finally enter the growth zone. Throughout this journey there will be a lot of pushbacks, doubts and failures that you will need to overcome.*

*So – Never surrender. Never give up.  
And if you need support, you know where to find us.*

*Congratulations!*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sascha E. Liebhardt'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'S' and 'L'.

**Sascha E. Liebhardt**

*Chancellor, New European College*



NEC AWARD FOR  
**EXCELLENCE IN TEACHING**



*Throughout the academic year, students must fill out a feedback form about the lecturer, before taking the final exam for the respective course. And as we all know there is no harder jury than students. The Excellence in Teaching Award sets the benchmark for the faculty of New European College.*

**Vittorio Tagliabue**  
*Lecturer of the Year*



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
**SPECIAL RECOGNITION**



*The biggest challenge for business students is to connect the academic theory with the real world and since our beginning the American German Business Club (AGBC), Munich Chapter, has been a driving force in bringing the real world into our classrooms. We want to thank the AGBC and especially its President Larry Schulz for the support and his relentless effort to make sure our students learn HOW - to - NETWORK.*

**Larry Schulz**  
*President*  
*American German Business Club, Munich Chapter*



NEC AWARD FOR  
**OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC  
ACHIEVEMENT**



*To avoid any misunderstandings – all students at New European College are great. But some manage to be a little bit “greater” than the others. This award goes to those that impressed us with their outstanding academic work.*

**Edin Muslic**  
*Best BA Student*

**Yuliya Kim**  
*Best Master Student*

**Laura Driuzzi**  
*Best Thesis*

**Lydia Siebler**  
*Best MBA Student*



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
**ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT  
AWARD**



*The entrepreneur is the calculating risk taker*

**Simon Zika**  
*MA 2019*



DEGREE AWARDED  
**BACHELOR PROGRAM**



**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in International Management  
with a specialization in International Accounting & Finance**

*Edin Muslic (Bosnia and Herzegovina)\**

*Yuriy Trofymenko (Ukraine)\**

**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in International Management  
with a specialization in International Marketing**

*Benjamin Anthuber (Germany)\**

*Sara Aslan (Germany)\**

*William Exner (Australia)\**

*Mayada Ghoneim (Egypt)\**

*Ilham Haman (Libya)\**

*Maha Haman (Libya)\**

*Yury Lomonosov (Russia)\**

*Jennifer Michael (Syria)\**

*Ronnie Müller (Switzerland)\**

*Serik Saurbayev (Kazakhstan)\**

*Mario-Umberto Schulz (Germany)\**

*Alvina Zykova (Russia)\**

*\*Fulfillment of the criteria for graduating is imminent.*



DEGREE AWARDED  
**MASTER PROGRAM**



**Master of Arts (M.A.) in International Management  
with a specialization in Finance & Accounting**

*Jayant Pataliya (India)\**

*Simon Zika (Czech Republic)\**

**Master of Arts (M.A.) in International Management  
with a specialization in IT Management**

*Harpreet Kaur Brar (India)\**

*Yuliya Kim (Kazakhstan)\**

**Master of Arts (M.A.) in International Management  
with a specialization in International Marketing**

*Olga Golosii (Russia)\**

*Phillipa Kutesera (Zimbabwe)\**

*Dilan Sengül (Turkey)\**

*\*Fulfillment of the criteria for graduating is imminent.*



DEGREE AWARDED  
MBA PROGRAM



**Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) in International Business**

*Laura Driuzzi (Argentina)*

*Pramod Yograj Patil (India)\**

*Mojtaba Rasuli (Afghanistan)\**

**Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) in International Business  
with a specialization in IT Management**

*Kanchan Choudhary (India)\**

**Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) in International Business  
with a specialization in International Marketing**

*Anup Anand (India)\**

*Smrity Bista Chhetri (Nepal)\**

*Marcella Maria Decat Manhaes (Brazil)\**

*Mustafa Raed Mohammed (Iraq)\**

*Landon Olson (Canada)\**

*Lydia Siebler (USA)\**

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION  
THE NECIANS



*Starting with today's commencement ceremony the Class of 2019 becomes official members of our alumni association the NECIANS. As all students of business and management know, networking is a key to success if used. Small but very distinguished this alumni association will grow and give you an excellent starting point for your international success.*



THE CAP & GOWN



*When Roman law freed the slave, he won the privilege of wearing a cap. The academic cap is a sign of freedom of scholarship and the responsibility and dignity with which the scholarship endows the wearer. The cap worn almost universally in academic processions is the Oxford cap, better known as the mortarboard. Poetry suggest that the cap of scholarship is square to symbolize the book. The flowing gown comes from the twelfth century. It originally may have been worn as protection against the cold of unheated buildings, but today is a symbol of the democracy of scholarship, for it covers any dress of rank and social standing. Traditionally the gown is black.*



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
EXPRESSES THEIR SINCERE GRATITUDE



*To all students who joined us and gave us  
their trust right from the beginning.*

*To all the faculty members that embarked on  
this academic journey with us.*

*To the awesome NEC Team:*

*Tina Huesing, Yana Immis, Uttamdeep  
Kaur, Jennifer Michael, Maria Plata,  
Lydia Siebler, Michael Epping,  
Omar Hamam, Flagert Shkurti  
& Thomas Caric*

*– it is your hard work that makes us great.*

*To Prof. Dr. Thuy, Prof. Dr. Geus, Dr. Schütt  
and the entire team of IUBH who have been  
an outstanding partner since the first day.*

*To all our corporate friends that have  
supported us relentlessly.*



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
CORPORATE FRIENDS



**NOKIA**



**CLARIANT**



WEINGUT  
**WRUSS**



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
EDUCATIONAL FRIENDS



NEW EUROPEAN COLLEGE  
ALUMNI BUSINESSES



**FAIR FLEET°**



*“Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty.  
Anyone who keeps learning stays young.  
The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young.”*

*– Henry Ford*

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