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MBA

WITH SPECIALISATION IN

PAYMENTS & BANKING



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ABOUT THE SOLTESZ INSTITUTE

The Soltesz Institute is the first independent institute offering EU and UAE certified executive payments and banking education globally.

The syllabus covers all aspects of payments and banking topics such as economic trends, FinTech innovations, regulation, compliance, technology, data security, risk, finance, product, digital assets, UX, alternative and local payment methods and more.

The topics focus on the international money movement challenges and bring real life expertise and solutions. All modules are designed to close the critical knowledge gap left by traditional finance and business degrees offering applied expertise that professionals actually need.

The goal of the MBA with Payments and Banking specialisation is to equip professionals with the skills and insight they need to make sound, strategic decisions in an increasingly fast-moving and fragmented financial environment.

Whether you're in product development, finance, operations, or executive management, understanding how payment and banking work is foundational for success.

The programme offers CPE (Continuing Professional Education) points upon completion, making it valuable for maintaining professional certifications and fulfilling ongoing education requirements.

ABOUT THE eie EUROPEAN BUSINESS SCHOOL

eie European Business School is a licensed Higher Education Institution regulated by the Malta Further & Higher Education Authority (MFHEA) under Licence No. 2005-TC-001.

For over twenty-six years, eie has been delivering high-quality, flexible academic programmes aligned with European Qualifications Framework (EQF) Levels 5 to 7.

As an internationally focused institution, eie has developed long-standing academic partnerships with globally recognised universities, awarding bodies and accreditation Agencies. eie is proud to be a member of the AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business)—one of the world's most prestigious business school associations.

Additionally, eie's accounting and finance pathways are eligible for exemptions with ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), giving students a competitive edge in their professional careers.

eie's reach extends well beyond Malta (EU). Our programmes are delivered internationally through accredited study centres such as The Soltesz Institute.

eie is a corporate member of The Malta Chamber of Commerce, Enterprise and Industry, and was the only higher education institution to hold Bronze Alliance Partner status between 2020 and 2023.

The school remains actively involved in national economic and educational initiatives through its ongoing membership in the Malta Chamber of SMEs and FinanceMalta.



This MBA programme is an EQF Level 7, 90 ECTS qualification.

The syllabus provides learners with a practical, in-depth curriculum combining strategic, financial, and operational disciplines. Learning is student-centred and supported by tutors through case studies, team activities, guest lectures, and placement hours.

Lectures are delivered fully online with a minimum pass mark of 50% per module. The programme culminates in a 15,000-word dissertation based on a real business challenge.

The MBA programme includes 11 core modules plus the Payments and Banking specialisation module. The final MBA certificate is awarded upon successful completion of all modules from the European Business School, and the Certification in Payments & Banking from The Soltesz Institute.

MBA

with Payments & Banking Specialisation

Modules

Organisational Strategy and Innovation

Throughout this module, learners shall get in-depth knowledge and critical understanding of the importance and the role of strategy in organisations. Learners shall be exposed to overall organisational infrastructure, superstructure, production, inventory, marketing, and other business activities. Moreover, learners shall also be exposed to the importance of innovation and innovative practices in organisations to gain and sustain competitive advantage.

Leadership and Strategic People Management

Throughout the duration of this module, learners shall gain an in-depth understanding of strategic management and leadership and in line with organisational goals and objectives. Moreover, learners shall also gain in-depth understanding of the need for the effective management of strategic change. Learners shall gain in-depth knowledge on managing change, time, stress, and conflict effectively to foster a healthy and happy working environment which encourages growth and respect.

Strategic Financial Management

This module allows learners to gain in-depth understanding of the role that financial management plays within organisations. Moreover, through this module learners shall identify the importance of governance and structures of board of directors within organisations. Learners will also gain the necessary skills and knowledge to be able to effectively use financial terms and calculations as required. Learners will learn to appreciate the use of financial data and statements for effective decision making within organisations.

Strategic Marketing Management

This module allows learners to gain a deep understanding of the role that marketing plays within an organisation and its ability to gain, retain and sustain competitive advantage. It will equip learners with the ability to design and develop an effective and relevant marketing plan which is according to the position and the requirements of the organisation.

Strategic Operations Management

This module provides an understanding of the role of strategic operations management in achieving organisational efficiency and competitive advantage. It covers key areas such as supply chain management, procurement, planning and forecasting, and the use of emerging technologies in operations. Learners will explore how effective operations strategies can improve performance, reduce costs, and enhance customer satisfaction, while supporting overall business objectives.

Micro and Macro Economics

This module has been strategically designed and formulated to provide learners with the necessary knowledge and skills to effectively use economic concepts to understand public policy, business and consumer decision making. Learners will be exposed to market forces of demand and supply, consumer behaviour, business organisations and competition. Moreover, learners shall also acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to identify the strengths of the nationwide economy, government interaction with economy as well as international trade.

Sustainable Business

This module focuses on the growing importance of sustainability in modern organisations. Learners examine environmental, social, and governance (ESG) principles and how they can be integrated into business strategy. The module equips learners with the knowledge to implement sustainable practices and make ethically responsible decisions.

Payments and Banking

This module allows learners to gain in-depth understanding of the payments and banking functions and why they must be treated as a standalone part of business strategy. It explains how provider relationships, FinTech innovations and cross-border transactions directly affect performance, costs and operational stability. The module also examines the importance of clear ownership and internal responsibility for payment and banking, ensuring that these functions are not fragmented across teams but managed through a structured approach. It highlights how organisations design, evaluate and optimise their payments and banking setup to support scalability, reduce risk, and maintain control over financial flows in a global environment.

Strategic Human Resource Management

This module provides an in-depth understanding of human resource management and its strategic role within organisations. It covers key functions such as recruitment, performance management, employee development, and compliance with employment laws. Learners explore how HR strategies align with long-term organisational goals and contribute to overall business success.

Professional Development and Reflective Practice

This module develops learners' ability to reflect on their personal and professional growth. It introduces key reflective models and emphasises continuous development, emotional intelligence, and leadership improvement. Learners enhance their self-awareness and ability to apply reflective practice in real-world management scenarios.

Research Methods

This module equips learners with the knowledge and skills to plan and conduct research in business and management. It covers quantitative and qualitative methods, questionnaire design, data collection, analysis, and management. Learners will also develop the ability to perform and interpret correlation and regression analysis. By the end of the module, learners will be prepared to identify a research question and undertake their dissertation.

Dissertation

The dissertation is the final capstone of the MBA programme. Learners undertake an independent research project on a real business challenge, applying the knowledge and skills acquired throughout the programme. The dissertation demonstrates critical thinking, research capability, and practical problem-solving.

Delivery

Case Studies

Learners analyse real-world cases to develop problem-solving, analytical, and decision-making skills while applying theory to practice.

Team Activities

Learners work in teams on classroom tasks and assignments to build collaboration, teamwork, and work management skills.

Guest Lectures

Industry professionals deliver lectures to provide insights into current trends and developments.

Details

15,000 words

dissertation on a real life business challenge

24 ECTS

the programme's largest single module

150+ hrs

total contact hours with dedicated tutor

500 hrs

self-study hours needed

50%

minimum pass mark required

24 months

average time needed for final certification

Dual Certification

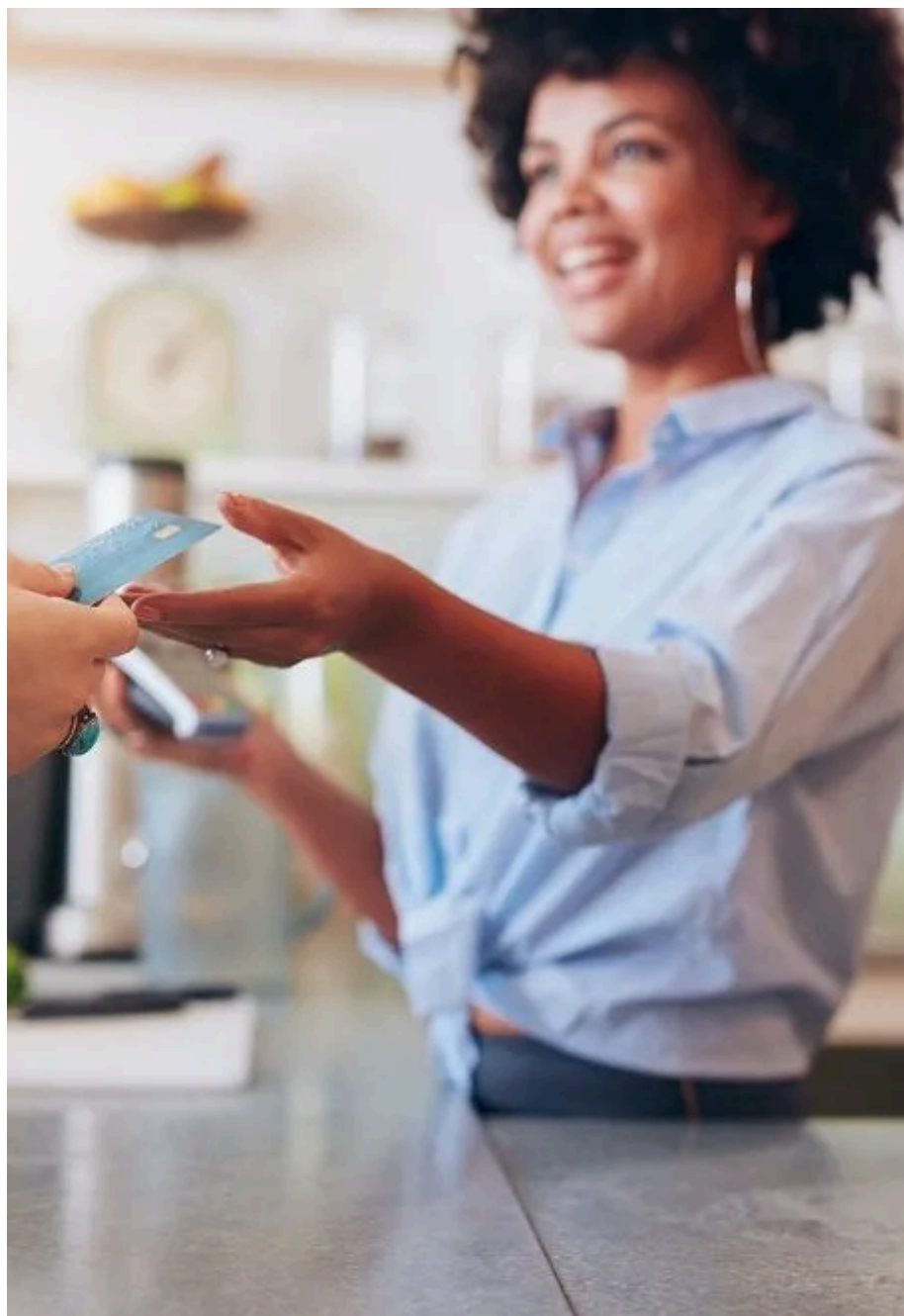
This MBA programme is delivered in collaboration between eie European Business School and the Soltesz Institute, combining academic excellence with industry-focused expertise.

eie European Business School provides the accredited MBA framework (EQF Level 7, 90 ECTS), covering core business disciplines such as strategy, finance, marketing, operations, and leadership.

The Soltesz Institute delivers the only EU and UAE certified specialised Payments & Banking programme, offering practical, real-world knowledge in areas such as global payments, compliance, financial infrastructure, risk management, and emerging technologies.

Together, this dual certification ensures that learners gain both:

- A globally recognised, EU MBA qualification, and
- A specialised professional EU certification in Payments & Banking



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