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**Roy Denman**, KCB, CMG (1924 – 2006) was a life-long committed European. After studying modern languages on a scholarship to St. John's College, Cambridge, he joined the UK's Board of Trade. He was involved at varying levels in successive British negotiations to join the EEC, finally having responsibility for the all-important commercial policy section in 1970-72. After British entry he became Second Permanent Secretary coordinating European Policy in the Cabinet Office, before transferring to the European Commission in 1977 as Director General for External Relations. From 1982 until his retirement in 1989 he was Head of the EU Delegation in Washington D.C., with the rank of Ambassador.

In retirement he continued to campaign for a stronger commitment by Britain to the European Union through a series of articles in the *International Herald Tribune* and in letters to the *Financial Times*. He is the author of two books:

*Missed Chances, Britain & Europe in the Twentieth Century and The Mandarin's Tale.*

"A year studying at the College of Europe is a wonderful experience. It provides a superb foundation for a career working on European policy."

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# The Bruges-Natolin UK European Scholarships Fund

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## The College of Europe

**The College of Europe** is the first and most genuinely 'European' of all the university institutes of European studies. It was founded in Bruges (Belgium) in 1949 as an independent private institution by leading European figures such as Salvador de Madariaga, Winston Churchill, Paul-Henri Spaak and Alcide de Gasperi.

Today nearly 400 postgraduate students from some 55 countries study for a year in Bruges and in Natolin (Warsaw). They follow courses in English and French. Some are seconded from international organisations and national foreign or civil services. 70% are funded by scholarships, mostly from European governments. The College has a highly qualified faculty from across Europe and beyond. As the careers of its alumni illustrate, the College degree opens up rewarding professional prospects in Europe and at the international level in both the public and the private sectors.

The College's residential life is a vital element of what its students experience. By living and working together, students from across Europe and beyond become familiar with the full cultural and social diversity of Europe and learn how to operate in an international environment.

## Scholarships to the College of Europe: future outlook uncertain

Until August 2009, UK governments (including devolved governments) funded annually 28 scholarship places at the College of Europe. For 2010-11, the number was reduced to 11. In future years the British government will fund only a few scholarships, restricted to existing civil servants wanting to serve in the EU institutions ("European Fast Stream"); 2 or 3 scholarships may still be available for applicants from Wales and Scotland. This leaves uncovered non-civil servants and people who want to work in a European context without joining the institutions, for instance the lawyers,

economists and administrators who provide the essential services underpinning British business and finance.

British interests in Europe and beyond depend on people within and without the EU institutions who have a sound understanding of how they operate. The Trustees of the Bruges-Natolin UK European Scholarships Fund therefore propose to raise funds for additional, privately-funded scholarships. The first scholarships will be Denman Scholarships, sponsored in memory of Sir Roy Denman (see below). Others may be named as the principal donors wish.

## Funding the complementary scholarships

A charitable trust, the Bruges-Natolin UK European Scholarships Fund, will administer the scheme, starting with scholarships for the academic year 2011-2012. Donors are invited to make a commitment initially for five years, allowing the trust steadily to build support for a long-term scholarship programme.

Commitments of support are needed by 1 February 2011 to convert into scholarships for the academic year 2011-12. The annual tuition fee is currently €14,000; the charge for board and lodgings is €7,000 for Bruges and €5,000 for Natolin.

UK taxpayers can increase the value of their donations by signing a *Gift Aid* declaration that will enable the trust to reclaim tax paid at the standard rate. Higher-rate UK taxpayers can also reclaim the difference via their own tax returns.

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## Application and selection procedure

Candidates for the scholarships will also have to apply to the College. They must satisfy the academic criteria of the College and be able to follow courses in both English and French. Details can be found on the admissions pages of the College's website, [www.coleurope.eu](http://www.coleurope.eu).

Short-listed applicants from the UK are interviewed (usually in London in March) by the UK Selection Board, which includes academics, many of whom teach at the College of Europe, as well as representatives of funders. The UK selection process is currently administered by the University Association for Contemporary European Studies.

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