

Imagine Europe – Europe in Film

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18:00 Østria

“L’Auberge Espagnole”

L’Auberge Espagnole is a French comedy centred around a French student moving to Barcelona for an Erasmus exchange semester, broadening his horizons assimilating in a new country and in a flat share with six other people from all over Europe.

The first instalment of a trilogy written and directed by Cédric Klapisch, is both a highly relatable coming of age story and an ode to Europe. Holding a fine balance between celebrating and mocking the most pervasive European stereotypes, the movie demonstrates with heart and humour that friendship, love, and youth will always triumph over the superficial differences among Europeans.



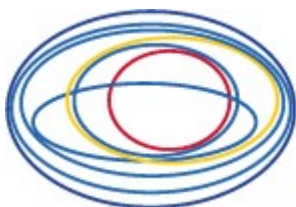
Running time: 122 minutes

Drinks and snacks can be bought at Østria.

Established in 1987, the EU’s Erasmus student exchange programme has funded millions of students spending time abroad during their bachelors or masters. For the EU, this programme has been a huge success in promoting a shared identity among Europeans overcoming national divisions. The trilogy that began with *L’Auberge Espagnole* powerfully shows how a semester abroad can turn into lifelong friendships and relationships across borders and nationalities.

The event is part of UiA’s teaching activities. The film is introduced and discussed by:

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