

PolyUnderstanding BIP calendar and schedule of activities

1. when / physical teaching

in June 2026, following two landmark UN observances of which this BIP would take stock

- International Day of Living Together in Peace, 16 May
<https://www.un.org/en/observances/living-in-peace-day>, and
- World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development, 21 May
<https://www.un.org/en/observances/cultural-diversity-day>

actual dates: start on Monday, 15 June 2026, finish on Friday, 19 June 2026 (5 consecutive days)

- checked for Orthodox/Catholic Easter (Apr 2026) and Muslim Ramadan, Eid al-Fitr (Feb-Mar 2026) and Eid al-Adha (May 2026)
- checked for CIVIS Europe-Africa Forum (Mar 2026) and PolyCIVIS annual meeting (early Jun 2026)

May							June							July						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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2. pre-receptions

a virtual reception on Monday, 4 May 2026 (1pm-4pm CEST), by all tutors

- to pre-meet, make the tour de table, and make sure all preparations are OK
- to present the PolyCIVIS podcasts and webinars on the Polycrisis as an introduction to the BIP overall
- 3 podcasts produced during 2024: [Climate change adaptation in West Africa: an interplay with the polycrisis?](#) with Ahmadou Aly Mbaye / UCAD, [Innovative pedagogies as an approach to the polycrisis](#) with Aspasia Dania / NKUA, and [Archaeological monuments, cultural heritage, and climate change: liaisons of polycrisis?](#) with Sofia Papaioannou, NKUA
- more podcasts and webinars produced during 2025 (details to be provided)

an optional (for those students who can make it, without formal obligations) physical reception on Sunday, 14 June 2026 (6pm-8pm EEST), by Athens-based tutors

- to meet on the spot and make sure all students have arrived and settled safely
- to finalize any practical arrangements (premises accessibility, wifi access, etc.)

3. when / virtual teaching

happens before physical teaching

a number of online seminars spread over 5 weeks to allow scheduling flexibility and learning assimilation

dates for the virtual seminars:

- Monday, 11 May 2026
- Wednesday, 13 May 2026
- Monday, 18 May 2026
- Wednesday, 20 May 2026
- Monday, 25 May 2026
- Wednesday, 27 May 2026

(week of 1-5 June 2026: PolyCIVIS Annual Meeting)

- Monday, 8 June 2026
- Wednesday, 10 June 2026

4. virtual teaching seminars topics and tutors

a series of 4-hour afternoon sessions (1pm-5pm CEST), covering

- policies about the polycrisis
- research about the polycrisis
- fragility and the polycrisis: towards a poly-fragility concept
- resilience and the polycrisis: toward a poly-resilience concept
- topics on domain crises, on top of those covered in the physical teaching week
- topics on continent crises, on top of those covered in the physical teaching week

these sessions are to be delivered by academic tutors, as well as accommodate expert speakers from international organizations, who would be invited to make brief presentations/interventions in appropriate formats (for instance, in 40min timeslots as speakers, coupled with 30min discussion, or in 90min round tables or panels, as discussants)

5. schedule for virtual teaching

teaching day and calendar date	afternoon session (4 hours, 1pm-5pm CEST)
Virtual Day 1 Monday, 11 May 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 1: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)
Virtual Day 2 Wednesday, 13 May 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 2: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)
Virtual Day 3 Monday, 18 May 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 3: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)

Virtual Day 4 Wednesday, 20 May 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 4: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)
Virtual Day 5 Monday, 25 May 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 5: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)
Virtual Day 6 Wednesday, 27 May 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 6: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)
Virtual Day 7 Monday, 8 June 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 7: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)
Virtual Day 8 Wednesday, 10 June 2026 1pm-5pm CEST	Module A Part 8: Fragility, Resilience, Domain and Continent Crises, Policies and Research (more specific topics and tutors tbd)

6. physical week teaching schedule, topics and tutors

a series of 10 sessions for the physical teaching 5 days

one morning 4-hour session (9am-1pm EEST) and one afternoon 4-hour session (2pm-6pm EEST)

with coffee breaks and a light-lunch break in-between

topics to consider

- 2 sessions on what is the polycrisis, based on the CI & WITS approach
- 2 sessions on the Fragiles vs Resilients game
- 6 sessions on domain crises (based on the 8 domains identified by the ISC project)
- and/or on continent crises (spanning Africa and Europe)

tutors to consider

- 2 sessions on what is the polycrisis: WITS
- 2 sessions on the Fragiles vs Resilients game: NKUA
- topics on domain and continent crises: European (including NKUA) and African partners

African tutors

- can move to Athens through Erasmus+ KA171 mobility applications currently submitted by NKUA and CIVIS African Universities, adding to the substance of these applications

7. provisional schedule for physical teaching

teaching day and calendar date	morning session (4 hours, 9am-1pm EEST)	afternoon session (4 hours, 2pm-6pm EEST)
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Physical Day 1 Monday, 15 June 2026 9am-1pm, 2pm-6pm EEST	Module B: What the Polycrisis Is WITS (M.Brosig, F.Mabera)	Module B: What the Polycrisis Is WITS (M.Brosig, F.Mabera)
Physical Day 2 Tuesday, 16 June 2026 9am-1pm, 2pm-6pm EEST	Module C Part 1: Domain/Continent Crises and the Polycrisis (tbd)	Module C Part 2: Domain/Continent Crises and the Polycrisis (tbd)
Physical Day 3 Wednesday, 17 June 2026 9am-1pm, 2pm-6pm EEST	Module C Part 3: Domain/Continent Crises and the Polycrisis (tbd)	Module C Part 4: Domain/Continent Crises and the Polycrisis (tbd)
Physical Day 4 Thursday, 18 June 2026 9am-1pm, 2pm-6pm EEST	Module C Part 5: Domain/Continent Crises and the Polycrisis (tbd)	Module C Part 6: Domain/Continent Crises and the Polycrisis (tbd)
Physical Day 5 Friday, 19 June 2026 9am-1pm, 2pm-6pm EEST	Module D: Fragiles vs Resilients game NKUA (D.Gouscos, E.Karamagioli, E.Stoupa, M.Tomara, A.Nakou)	Module D: Fragiles vs Resilients game NKUA (D.Gouscos, E.Karamagioli, E.Stoupa, M.Tomara, A.Nakou)

8. student assignments important dates

student assignments to be presented orally in a final virtual session on Monday, 29 June 2026 10am-1pm, 2pm-5pm CEST and delivered by that date (10 days after completion of teaching)