European Week: Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Treaty of Rome

March 25-30, 2007 has been declared “European Week” at the European Union Centers of Excellence. This week marks the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome establishing the European Community. EU Centers are holding special events on their campuses to celebrate, and the EUCE Network is hosting three events that week for students at all the network campuses.

1. Undergraduate Student Essay competition on the topic of *From Six to Twenty Seven: How has the Treaty of Rome Shaped the Last 50 Years?* Students at EUCE schools are invited to submit essays on this topic. Please refer to your campus EUCE website for local details and rules, campus deadlines are in early to mid-February. Each center will select a campus winner and they in turn will be entered into the national network competition. The winner of the network competition will be awarded $250, an air ticket to Washington D.C. where the award will be made, and one night in a D.C. hotel.

2. “EU Classroom Connections” is a week-long project involving undergraduate classes at each campus. Students in these classes will read the same assigned article and reflect on the significance of the Treaty of Rome and the progress of US-European relations in the past 50 years.

3. In conclusion of European Week, Ambassador John Bruton (European Commission Delegation to the United States) will speak to all the classes participating in Classroom Connections via video conference. Ambassador Bruton will also make the award to the student winner of the Network essay competition. The video conference is scheduled for Thursday, March 29, 12:00 - 1:30 pm EST.
From 6 to 27: How has the Treaty of Rome Shaped the Last 50 Years?

March 25, 2007 will be the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Rome establishing the European Economic Community. In an essay of no more than 2000 words discuss the Treaty’s impact on Europe and the transatlantic relationship. Students from EUCE schools are invited to submit essays on this topic. Please refer to your campus EUCE website for local details and rules; campus deadlines are in early to mid-February.

Each center will select a campus winner, and they in turn will be entered into the national Network of European Union Centers of Excellence (EUCE) competition. The winner will be announced February 28th, and will receive $250 and a trip to Washington D.C. (air ticket and one hotel night) where the award will be made by Ambassador John Bruton of the Delegation from the European Commission to the United States. The winning essay will be published on the EUCE Network website at www.unc.edu/euce.