

# Claremont-UC Undergraduate Research Conference on the European Union



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# 12th Annual Conference



**Scripps College, Claremont**

Thursday & Friday, April 10-11, 2014

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## WELCOME

Dear Participants,

We are delighted to welcome you to the 12th annual Claremont-University of California Undergraduate Research Conference on the European Union. This is the oldest and largest academic conference in the United States dedicated to undergraduate research on European Union topics. This year we have 58 students from 24 schools participating in the Conference, and 13 faculty discussants from 10 institutions. In addition, we have a special keynote address from EU Fellow and Deputy Head of the EU Commission Representation Unit in Madrid, Sarah Lambert. We will also have a screening of the film, "A Place to Stand," followed by a discussion with Director, Anna Ferens. This film comes to us from the European Parliament, where it inaugurated the 25th anniversary of democratic transformations in Central and Eastern Europe and the 10th anniversary of the 2004 EU enlargement.

We do hope you enjoy this Conference and that it adds to your learning and professional growth.

Best wishes,  
European Union Center of California  
Scripps College

### DINING HALL MEALS

Meal tickets for Thursday dinner, Friday lunch, and Friday dinner are provided in your folders. Please submit this to the cashier when you enter the Scripps College dining hall. A map of the Malott Commons building with the dining hall is available on page 8.

For Thursday dinner, please bring your food from the dining hall up to the 2nd floor for the keynote speech. On Friday, additional private seating is available in the basement floor and courtyard (see map on page 8), so you may eat your food there.

### BREAK ROOM

A break room with refreshments and beverages is provided for participants and discussants in Humanities Building, Room 104 for use on Friday.

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EU Center Staff: David Andrews (Director), Maja Stroinska (Administrative Director), Kenneth Leonardo (Graduate Assistant), and Jacquelin Givelber & Tia Ho (Office Assistants).

Keynote Speaker: Sarah Lambert.

Film Director: Anna Ferens.

Discussants: Christine Arnold, Elizabeth Crighton, Patricia Dillon, Heidi Haddad, Tom Ilgen, Wade Jacoby, Sarah Lambert, Cameron Munter, Branislav Radeljic, Michael Reinprecht, Irene Sacristan-Sanchez, Jennifer Taw, and Cristina Waggoner.

Also, we extend our deepest gratitude to all our presenters.

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS & FILM



### Europe's "new normal": Recovery & Reform in the European Union after the Euro Crisis

Speaker: EU Fellow Sarah Lambert, EU Center of Excellence at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Deputy Head of EU Commission Representation Unit in Madrid  
Thursday, April 10 • 6:15-7:15 PM • Hampton Room, Malott Commons

Sarah Lambert joined the European Commission in 1995 after fifteen years as a foreign correspondent reporting from all over Europe, including Brussels. Lambert has been head of the political section in the Madrid office since 2010. She had previously worked as head of office in London, responsible for government relations and public diplomacy in the UK, where she started out in 2003 as head of political and regional affairs. In 1999, she joined the policy unit of the commission department responsible for development of the EU single market. Her first job had been as spokeswoman and head of communications in the office of UK Commissioner Neil Kinnock. Lambert received a degree in political science at Bristol University and a post-graduate degree in journalism before joining Reuters, leaving to help set up the London-based Independent newspaper, where she reported from all over Europe on the collapse of communism and its aftermath. A true European, she met her Spanish husband in a bookshop in Luxembourg while waiting for a European Council meeting to end. They married in the UK, and their two children were born in Belgium. While in the U.S., she is researching issues of citizenship, participatory democracy, and the democratic deficit in Europe.



### "A Place to Stand": Film & Discussion

Director: Anna Ferens

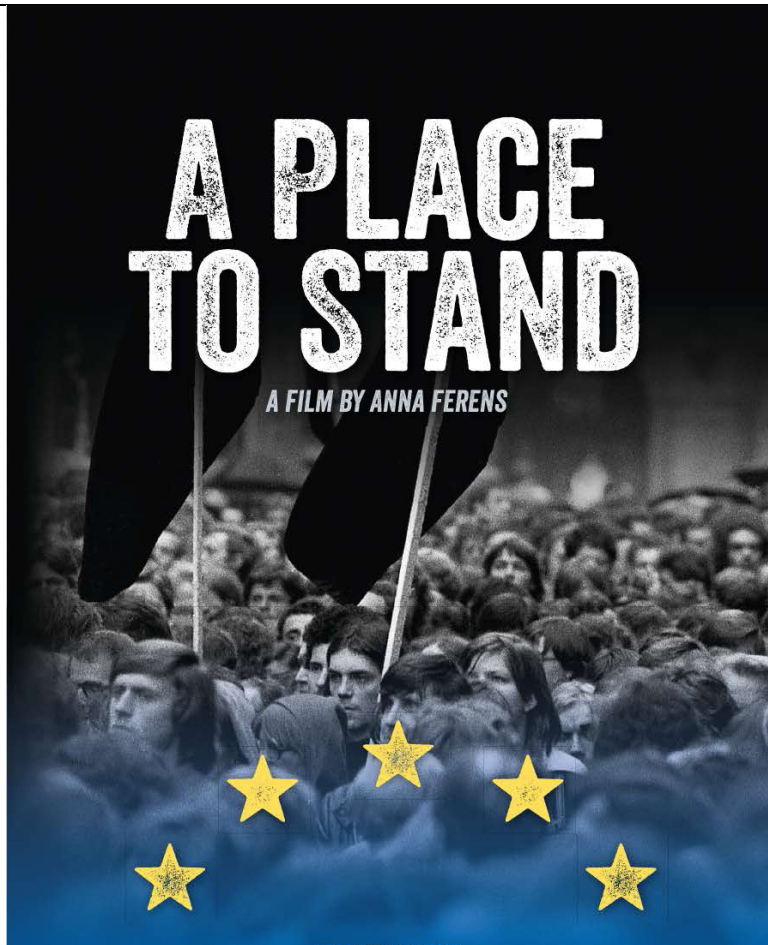
Friday, April 12 • 4:15-6:00 PM • Humanities Auditorium, Scripps College

Anna Ferens is an award-winning documentary director, screenwriter and journalist, with degrees in Journalism from Warsaw University and Advertising for Business degree from the French Institute of Government in Warsaw.

Since the late-1990s, Ms. Ferens directed a number of documentaries that cover a wide range of fascinating current political, economic and social issues. They include such films as *The Quiet Life of a Speculator* (2001), *Moscow According to Sasha* (2002), *The Buenos Aires Art Collector* (2003), *Where God Understands Polish* (2003), *Jews in the 1944 Warsaw Uprising* (2004), *Man Seeks Woman* (2005), *Where do the Wild Strawberries Grow?* (2006), *Three Buddies* (2008), *What Can Dead Prisoners Do?* (2010), *I Saw a Nation United* (2011), *The Art of Survival* (2012), and *A Place to Stand* (2013).

Anna Ferens's probing and often controversial films were recognized with awards at such festivals as the 2006 European Crossroads Festival, Chicago International Television Awards (2007), New York Polish Film Festival (2008), Hollywood Eagle Documentary Award (2009), Roma Fiction Fest Award (2009), and Restored Memory Film Festival (2010), among others. Ms. Ferens also received The Polish Journalists' Association Award (2008), the Małopolska Journalist Award (2009), and the Creator in Media Award (2009). She has lectured at the University of Wisconsin/Madison, Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center in Chicago, Loyola and Northwestern Universities in Chicago, Hunter College/Columbia University in New York City, Bremen University in Germany and Szczecin University in Poland.

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS & FILM (Continued)



### "A Place to Stand" A Film by Anna Ferens

April 11, 2014

4:15-6:00 PM

Humanities Auditorium  
Scripps College

**Q & A Session with Anna Ferens  
will follow the screening**

This documentary by noted Polish filmmaker, Anna Ferens, examines the fall of Communism in Central and Eastern Europe and the role of the European Parliament in the process of political transformation of Europe during the years 1980-1990.

Based on unpublished archival materials and interviews with members of the European Parliament, the film also features extensive interviews with a number of democracy activists throughout the Eastern Block. Ms. Ferens's film also highlights over fifty resolutions passed by the European Parliament during the seminal decade that began with the rise of the Solidarity movement in Poland in 1980.

Recently screened in Brussels for the leaders of the European Parliament, the film was introduced by Hans-Gert Pöttering, President of the European Parliament from 2007-2009 and current Chairman of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation as well as member of the Reconciliation of European Histories Group.

This film inaugurated the 25th anniversary of democratic transformations in Central and Eastern Europe and the 10th anniversary of the 2004 EU enlargement in the European Parliament.

## SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

### Thursday, April 10, 2014

3:00 PM	Hotel check-in begins	DoubleTree Hotel
4:30 – 4:45 PM	Transfer from Claremont DoubleTree Hotel to Scripps College – <i>gather outside front entrance of hotel at 4:30pm</i>	
4:45 – 5:15 PM	<b>Conference Registration</b>	Hampton Room
5:15 – 5:30 PM	<b>Welcome by Professor David Andrews</b> , EU Center of California Director	Hampton Room
5:30 – 6:15 PM	Dinner – <i>bring dinner from Scripps College dining hall</i>	Hampton Room
6:15 – 7:15 PM	<b>Keynote Address by Sarah Lambert (EU Fellow and Deputy Head of EU Commission Representation Unit in Madrid)</b>	Hampton Room
7:30 – 9:00 PM	<b>SESSION 1: PANEL PRESENTATIONS</b>	Humanities Building
9:00 PM	Transfer to Claremont DoubleTree Hotel	

### Friday, April 11, 2014

6:00 – 10:30 AM	Breakfast	DoubleTree Hotel
8:15 – 8:30 AM	Transfer from Claremont DoubleTree Hotel to Scripps College	
8:45 – 10:30 AM	<b>SESSION 2: PANEL PRESENTATIONS</b>	Humanities Building
10:45 – 12:30 PM	<b>SESSION 3: PANEL PRESENTATIONS</b>	Humanities Building
12:30 – 2:00 PM	Lunch (all students) Private Lunch with Discussants & Faculty	Scripps Dining Hall Hampton Room
2:15 – 4:00 PM	<b>SESSION 4: PANEL PRESENTATIONS</b>	Humanities Building
4:15 – 6:00 PM	<b>Documentary Movie Screening of “A Place To Stand” followed by Q&amp;A with Director Anna Ferens</b>	Balch Auditorium
6:00 – 7:00 PM	Dinner	Scripps Dining Hall
7:00 – 8:30 PM	<b>Closing Reception and Awards</b>	Hampton Room
8:30 PM	Transfer to Claremont DoubleTree Hotel	

### Saturday, April 12, 2014

6:00 – 11:30 AM	Breakfast	DoubleTree Hotel
12:00 noon	Hotel Check-Out – <i>Please check out by noon, otherwise you will be billed for extra charges</i>	



## CONFERENCE SESSIONS

### Session 1 • Thursday • 7:30 – 9:00 PM

#### Panel 1 • Crisis in Ukraine

Location: Humanities 204

Discussant: Jennifer Taw (Claremont McKenna College)

The New Ukraine: An EU or Eurasian Union Institution?, *Raphael Alterman, Pitzer College*

Unrest in Ukraine, *Dylan Arya, Pitzer College*

Russian President Vladimir Putin's Usage of Natural Gas and Transit Pipelines as Economic Leverage over the Ukraine, *Lillian Waters, University of Colorado at Boulder*

Ukraine and the European Union: An Analysis of Euromaidan, *Andrew Zahurancac, Mercyhurst University*

#### Panel 2 • Economic Interdependence

Location: Humanities 203

Discussant: Patricia Dillon (Scripps College)

European Integration and Anti-Money Laundering Cooperation, *Allison Blauvelt, American University*

The Effects of Foreign Direct Investment and Income Inequality in the European Union, *Thomas Flaherty, UCLA*

Delayed Development or Expedited Expansion? The Mutual Benefit of German and Austrian Foreign Direct Investment in the CEE Member States During their Accession to the Schengen Area, *Romy Franks, Brigham Young University*

Germany and the EU: Fixing the Economy? Or Becoming a Hegemon?, *Jacob Dorfman, Pitzer College*

#### Panel 3 • EU-US Transatlantic Relationship

Location: Humanities 120

Discussant: Wade Jacoby (Brigham Young University)

Investigating the Origins of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership, *Kassandra Taira, UC Riverside*

The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Pact Advisory Board and Civil Society Dialogues: New Policy Levers for Interest Groups or Empty Gestures?, *Nathaniel Arrington, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill*

GMO Regulation and Labeling in the US and the EU: Analyzing a divergence in policy, *Caroline Dittmann, UC Berkeley*

Ecological Modernization and Sustainable Development: A Transatlantic Analysis of Environmental Policy at the Federal Level, *Jane Culkun, University of Colorado at Boulder*

An Economic Analysis of Entrepreneurship in Europe, *Anthea Weixel, Claremont McKenna College*

### Session 2 • Friday • 8:45 – 10:30 AM

#### Panel 4 • Security & Intervention

Location: Humanities 202

Discussant: Cameron Munter (Pomona College)

'Why is France in Mali?' And Other Constructivist Love Stories, *Kailas Menon, Claremont McKenna College*

The Emerging Cyber Challenges to Europe, *Cody Stueve, United States Naval Academy*

Path to a Global Strategy: How the European Union will Secure its Influence in the Middle East, *Sophie Hubbell, Yasamine Firoozi, University of Washington*

Perceptions and Strategic Concerns of Gender in Terrorism, *Eliana Rudee, Scripps College*

#### Panel 5 • Political Parties & Ideologies

Location: Humanities 120

Discussant: Christine Arnold (Maastricht University)

Political Ideologies and Ideologies of Europeans, *Chance Kawar, Pitzer College*

Why Didn't Anarchism Take Root in Transylvania, *Richard Bruner, Brigham Young University*

"Independence in Europe" after the Europe of the Regions: Policy Inertia in Minority Nationalist Parties, *Judith Sijstermans, UC Berkeley*

Drifting Right: Status of Far-Right Movements in Europe and their Implications for Democracy, *Ethan Redrup, Mercyhurst University*

#### Panel 6 • Energy & Climate Change

Location: Humanities 103

Discussant: Tom Ilgen (Pitzer College)

Emissions Trading System: International Political Environment of Failure, *Megan Tokunaga, Pomona College*

Extreme Temperatures in the City of Light, *Natan Reddy, UC Berkeley*

Leveling the Playing Field in the EU's Photovoltaic Market, *Caleb Samson, Pitzer College*

The Politics and Future of Cap-and-Trade: Lessons from the European Union, *Alice Chang, Claremont McKenna College*

### Session 3 • Friday • 10:45 AM – 12:30 PM

#### Panel 7 • Governance & Institutions

Location: Humanities 120

Discussant: Sarah Lambert (EU Fellow, European Union Center of Excellence, University of Colorado-Boulder)

Going Mobile: Political Careers and Institutional Power in the European Commission, *Zachary Arace, Case Western Reserve University*

Political Restructuring of the European Union, *Melanie Bello, Claremont McKenna College*

European Union Response to Governmental Reversion in Member States, *Drew Lewis, Oakland University*

What Lisbon means for the future of Policy-Making in the EU, *Bijan Mehryar, UC San Diego*

What factors can explain the entrepreneurship of the Delors' commission compared to later commission led by Thorn?, *Aizhan Kakenova, Nazarbayev University*

## CONFERENCE SESSIONS

### Panel 8 • Welfare State & Aid Flows

Location: Humanities 105

Discussant: Irene Sacristan-Sanchez (EU Commission on Behalf of the EU Center of Excellence, University of Washington)

Religiosity and Individual Support for Welfare Spending, *John Adams, University of Colorado at Boulder*

Structural Funding in East Germany: A Case Study, *Caitlin Carnes, UC Berkeley*

Aid Flows in Times of Financial Crisis: A Special Look at the Scandinavian Countries, *Elin Andersson, University of Texas at Arlington*

The Italian Health Care System: An Economic and Structural Analysis, *Margaret Pettibone, Pitzer College*

### Panel 9 • Human Rights & Transitional Justice

Location: Humanities 104

Discussant: Heidi Haddad (Pomona College)

An Increasingly Difficult European Entry for Syrian Refugees, *Malek Debbas, Pitzer College*

Colonial Guilt? An Analysis of Belgium's Relationship to the Congolese Refugee Crisis, *Anahita Vasudevan, Ailen Vega, UC Berkeley*

The Institutional Limits of the European Union in Humanitarian Intervention: The Case of Darfur, *Dana Parke, Oakland University*

Reconciliation and the Rule of Law: The Changing Role of International Criminal Tribunals in the Peacebuilding Process, *Oriana LaVilla, Scripps College*

### Panel 10 • European Identity

Location: Humanities 202

Discussant: Branislav Radeljic (University of East London)

Failure to Communicate: The Complications of a Multi-lingual European Union, *Nancy Williams, University of Wisconsin-Madison*

Enlargement of the European Union and European Identity: Post-National or Post-Material?, *Bagnur Karbozova, Nazarbayev University*

Feuds Of A Thousand Years: Explaining Europe Via The World System, *Hans Hubbard, UC San Diego*

Pride Came after the Fall: Levels of Nationalism in East and West Germany after Reunification, *Bryonna Bowen, Audrey Thompson, Brigham Young University*

### Session 4 • Friday • 2:15 – 4:00 PM

### Panel 11 • Debt Crisis & the Future of the EU Economy

Location: Humanities 204

Discussant: Cristina Waggonner (Pitzer College)

No Light in the Tunnel: Spain's Economic Inaction, *Taylor Shippen, Brigham Young University*

Lithuania and Eurozone Integration at a Critical Economic Time, *Jessica Klaschius, University of Southern California*

The Ninety Percent Rule, *Michael Williamson, Christopher Newport University*

Behavioral Components of the European Debt Crisis, *Megan Lindgren, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

The Political Hindrances in Solving the European Sovereign Debt Crisis, *Chandler Fairbanks, Christopher Newport University*

### Panel 12 • Separatist Movements & Euroscepticism

Location: Humanities 105

Discussant: Elizabeth Crighton (Pomona College)

Amical Divorces: How the European Union has created an outlet for formerly violent European separatist movements to redefine independence, *David Eichert, Brigham Young University*

Full Devotion: The Gateway to Scotland's International Future, *Cate Partain, University of Southern California*

The Economic Impact of the EU on the Subnational Separatist Sentiment, *Anjelka Pantovic, University of Colorado at Boulder*

More than Angry White Men: What Statistical Analysis Can Tell Us About Euroscepticism, *Dustin Ellis, Lewis-Clark State College*

'Their' Brussels, 'Our' Netherlands: A Rise in Euroscepticism in the Netherlands? A Comparative Study of the Party for Freedom and the Socialist Party Election Campaigns from 2006-2012, *Sofie Oosterhuis, University of Wisconsin-Madison and University College Roosevelt*

### Panel 13 • Immigration

Location: Humanities 203

Discussant: Michael Reinprecht (EU Fellow, University of Southern California)

Assimilation or Acculturation? The Experiences of Muslim Immigrants in Germany and What it Means for Turkish Ascension, *Auzzie Sheard IV, Pomona College*

Constructing Fortress Europe: Third-Country Nationals as Unwelcome Guests, *Robertus Anders, American University*

Islam and the EU: Immigration, Secularism, and Prejudice, *Chloe Zagrodsky, Claremont McKenna College*

European Supranationalization: An Immigrant's Nightmare or 'Business as Usual?', *Paige Issacson, University of San Francisco*

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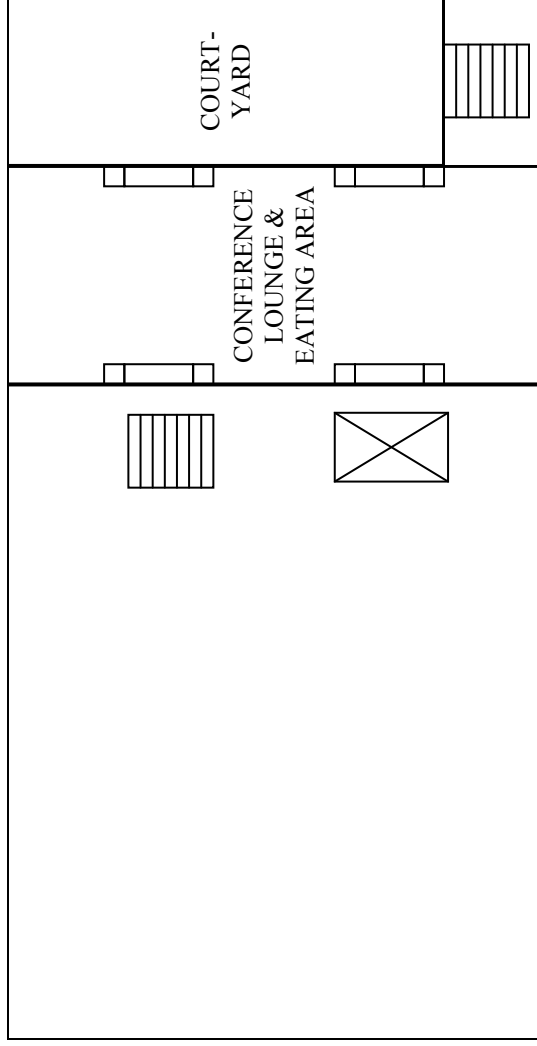
Approximately 8-12 of the best papers from the conference will be published in our annual conference volume. Faculty discussants will nominate exceptional papers. Best papers will not necessarily be selected from each panel; rather, papers will be evaluated in reference to the larger pool of all conference papers. The conference volume is now published in both print and online format through the Claremont Colleges Digital Library, which allows greater dissemination of the selected papers – the publication comes up in searches through databases like WorldCat.

Selected students will be sponsored by the EU Centers of Excellence in Berkeley and Seattle to participate in the five-day EU visit program during June in Brussels. The program, which is coordinated by the Network of EU Centers of Excellence, gives US students and teachers the opportunity to experience EU institutions and policymaking up close. The selected students will have their airfare and hotel paid for by the EUCE thanks to funding generously provided by the EU.

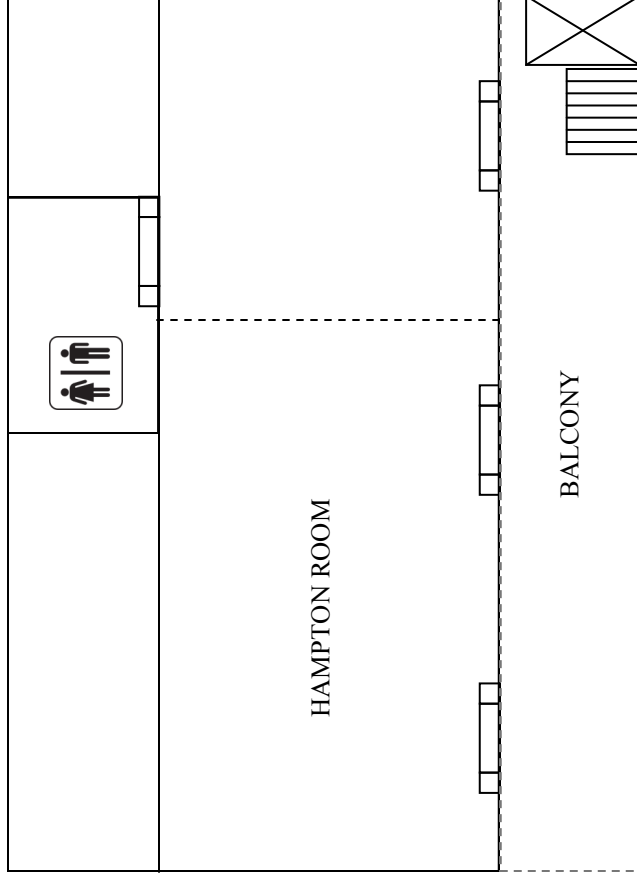


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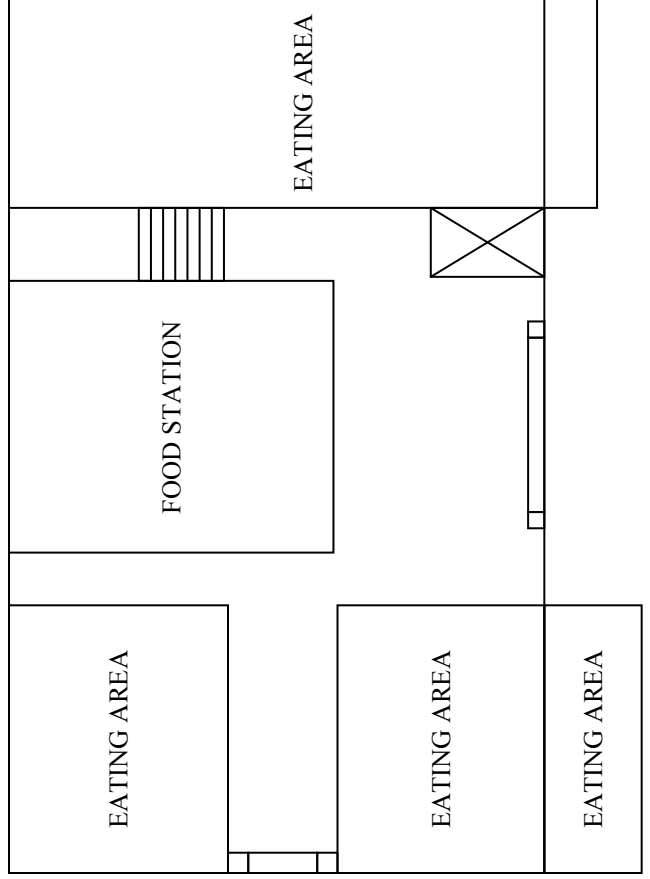
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