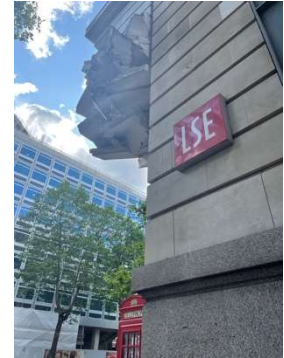


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Firstly, I would like to thank the Tazaki Foundation for giving me the great opportunity to study at the London School of Economics and Political Science, one of the most prestigious schools in the world. The 3-week program in London has remained one of the most valuable experiences in my life and I am more than grateful to the Tazaki Foundation for making this possible.

The LSE summer program is divided into three sessions and offers more than 50 courses in each session. I participated in Session 1, held from June 19th to July 7th, and took a course called “EU’s Industrial Policy: GX and DX”. The lesson was given in mainly two. In the morning, we had a three-hour lecture given by LSE’s professors, and in the afternoon, we had a 1.5-hour discussion class, where we deepened our understanding of the concepts introduced in the previous lecture. In the first week of the course, I learned about industrial policy in general, such as different theories, history, and the importance of industrial policy. Then, we learned about the EU’s industrial policy in the second week, and in the final week (which was only two days of class) we talked about the EU’s policies for DX and GX.



Although I spent several years of my childhood in an international school, it was my first time studying at a foreign university and I was awed by how different the courses were compared to the ones that I have taken at my own university. The students were very active and passionate about what they were learning, and there were many questions asked by students to the professors which made the lecture very interactive. Furthermore, I found it amazing how everybody had a great knowledge of their own countries’ industrial policies, and we were able to have very meaningful conversations during the discussion classes.



My experiences cannot be fully told without my amazing opportunity to explore London (+ and some other cities in the UK) in my free time. It was my first time traveling to Europe for me, and I enjoyed every moment in London. The culture, city landscape, and people (and even the food!) were wonderful. One of my highlights was watching the tennis championship at Wimbledon, where I got to watch some of the most renowned tennis players in the world. I’ve always been a big tennis fan and it was one of my dreams to come to Wimbledon.

Finally, I would like to thank the Tazaki Foundation once again for this great opportunity. I hope to make the best use of this experience in the future and share these wonderful moments with those who are considering taking part in the LSE’s summer program in the upcoming years.