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- > Thanks for the ISTAME paper on "the European Union for Greece in the 21st Century" which I read with great interest. I agree with the overall direction
- > of the paper so just a few quick comments.
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- > First, I fully agree that the biggest challenge for our generation is to re-invent the EU as an effective response to globalisation (seen as a process with both risks and opportunities).
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- > Second, while I agree that we need a strong Political Union, I believe that we
 - > cannot construct it on the basis of the outdated means and vocabulary of
 - > "federalism". We need new means to re-invent Europe (not grand abstract
 - > projects, including possibly the need to abandon the very word
 - Constitution).
 - > We need perhaps rather specific projects (e.g. mini-treaties on Europe
 - and
 - > Democratic Participation, Europe and Economic Governance, Europe and
 - the
 - World
 - > aiming to generate intense but focused debates that can help re-invent the
 - EU
 - > as the force of the "future". And we need to win some referenda in key
 - > countries in order to re-instil confidence in the European project).
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 - > Thirdly, on the future of CFSP and ESDP, there are still some more
 - concrete
 - > ideas that can be put forward more forcefully. Just few examples:
 - > 1. We must promote across the world actively our own EU model of
 - regional
 - > integration and political union as the best way to export our values - the
 - > potentials are enormous in Africa, Latin America and the ASEAN
 - regions;
 - > 2. We must articulate in a clear manner our current and future ESDP
 - operations
 - > (about which the paper says little) in the international security
 - architecture
 - > as means to promote our values of the rule of law and legitimate use of
 - force,
 - > otherwise we risk ending up projecting them as old type European
 - diplomacy
 - by
 - > other means (e.g. substitute for political commitment in Africa or means
 - for
 - > delaying membership in the Balkans etc.).
 - > 3. We need a new strategic vision for EU-Russia relations (vague
 - references to
 - > strategic partnership evade the issue). I believe there is today for well
 - known
 - > reasons an ahistorical imbalance between the EU's relations with Russia

and the

> Turkey's membership perspective (which I fully support as you know)

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this

> must be redressed with a bold new project that addresses the enormous

> geopolitical importance and potential of Russia for the EU.

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> Alexandros

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> Savvides Philippos (31/05/2006 11:57):

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