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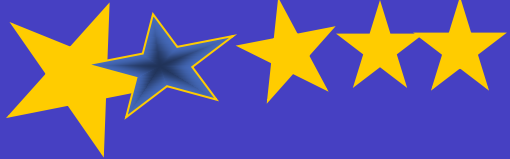
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Regional Cooperation: the Case of Europe

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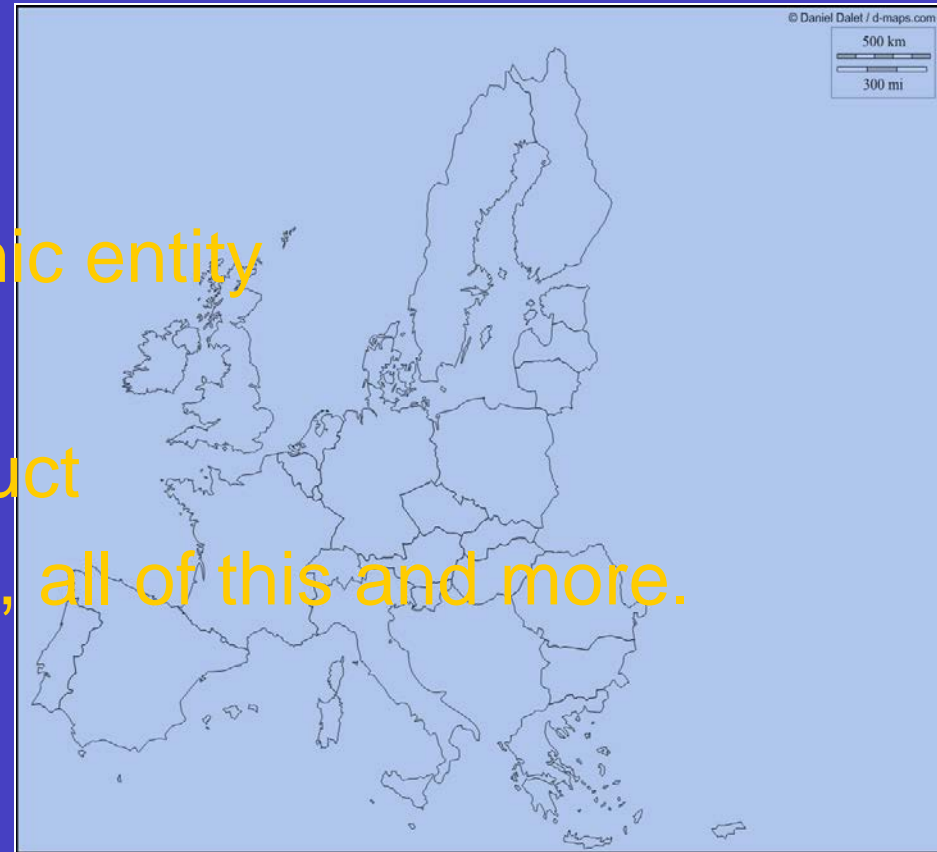


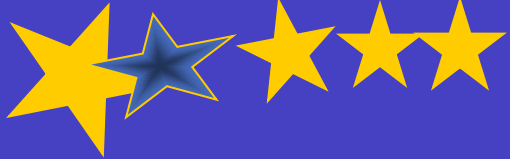


★ What is Europe?

Europe is

- an idea
- geography
- a geo-political and economic entity
- many countries
- a new post-modern construct
- an emerging security actor, all of this and more.
- Europe = European Union

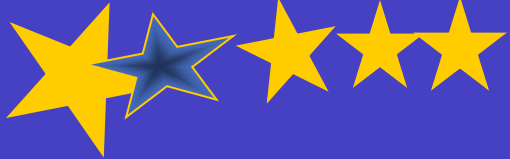




★ EU as an Actor

- EU has emerged through its various developments to become a composite actor and is imbued with all the attributes of an actor in international politics
- Increasing influence
- *For the WTO Director-General, the example of Europe teaches that strong leadership, legitimacy and coherence are needed for political effectiveness.*

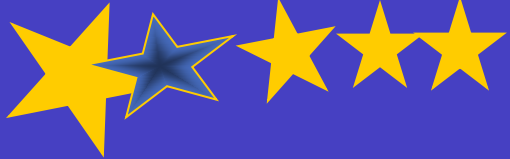




★ Regional Cooperation and Integration

- Europe showcases cooperation and Integration
- Shift in post war politics and power equations
- The quest for new politics
- The interplay of history, politics and economics – leads to a turning point in history
- 1952- ECSC
- 1957- Treaty of Rome - foundations of an ever-closer union among the peoples of Europe

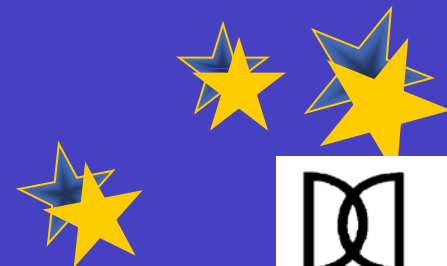


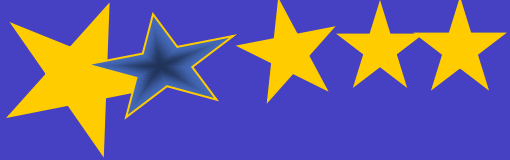


★ From Rome to Lisbon...

Treaty of Rome called for ...pooling their resources to preserve and strengthen peace and liberty, and calling upon the other peoples of Europe who share their ideal to join in their efforts,

- This call resulted in the growth of the community at two levels
- Widening and Deepening +





Widening

★ Enlargement of European Community /Union, 1957 -2007

1957	1973	1981	1986	1995	2004	2007
Original 6	1 st Round	2 nd Round	3 rd Round	4 th Round	5 th Round	6 th
Belgium	Britain	Greece	Portugal	Austria	Cyprus	Bulgaria
France	Denmark		Spain	Finland	Czech Rep	Romania
Germany	Ireland			Sweden	Estonia	
Italy					Hungary	
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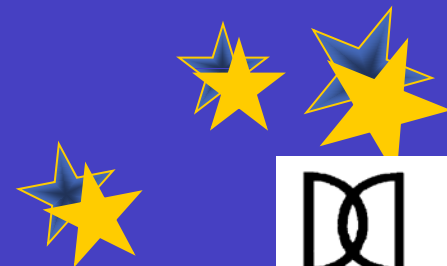




Deepening

Process of Integration

- 1952 - European Coal and Steel Community
- 1957 - Treaty of Rome
- 1987 - Single European Act
- 1992 - Treaty on European Union
- 1997 - Treaty of Amsterdam
- 1999- Introduction of Euro-€
- 2000 - Treaty of Nice
- 2002- Euro comes into circulation
- 2004 - Convention on Constitution
- 2007- Treaty of Lisbon
- 2009- Lisbon Treaty comes into force

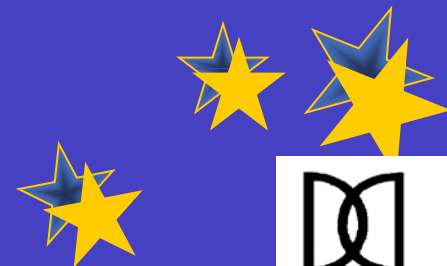




The EU as an Actor

EU "may not be a superpower, but it is certainly a global power in the sense that its actions - and indeed its very existence- have come to have a significant effect far beyond its borders, both by default and intention"

(Piening, 1997:196)



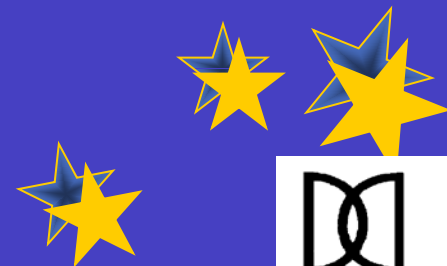


EU Consolidation

What did the Treaty of Rome envision:

- **Peace**
- **Stability**
- **Prosperity**
- **cooperation**

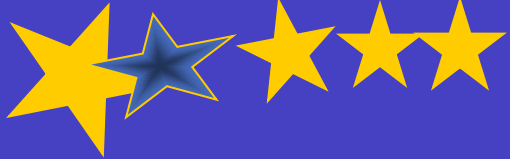
Economic and political





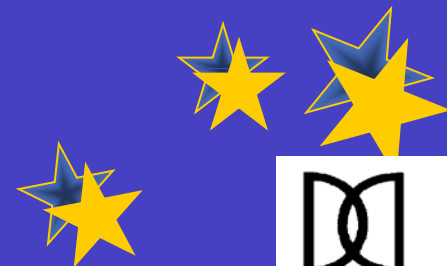
Post War Europe

- The shift from borders to people – identity as legally constructed to identities of people
- From state to human security – sovereignty to welfare
- Dividends of cooperation – stability, mobility, visibility, economic growth and enhanced actorness



★ Integration vs Nationalisation

- Does the mix of history, politics, economics and culture create the perfect recipe for regional cooperation?
- What does it mean to be the object of envy and spotlight of despair?





Globalisation and State

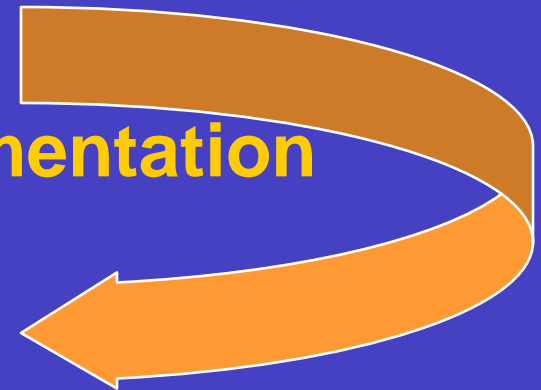
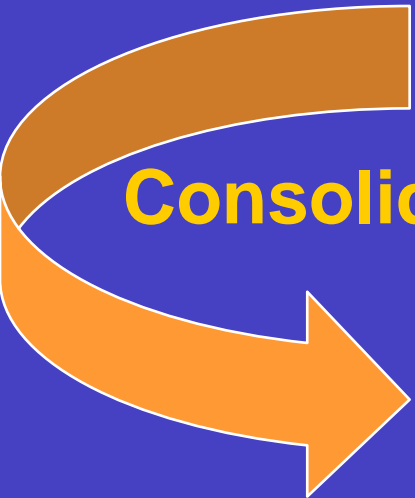
Impact of Globalisation

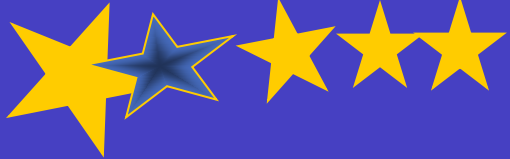
Consolidation

Fragmentation

Multiple agencies

Interdependence





★ Europe at Crossroads

- Scope and intensity of cooperation has increased
- Balancing interest
- Multiple processes
- Different Capability and capacity

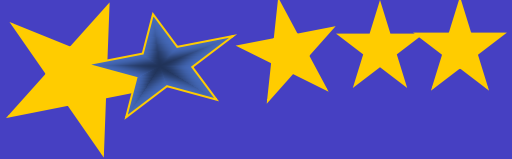


Clashes as Greeks protest over bailout deal



Simela Pantzartzi/EPA





★ Fragmentation...

- Has the structure become weak ?
- Consensus based politics
- How far is too far...



Yannis Behrakis/Reuters



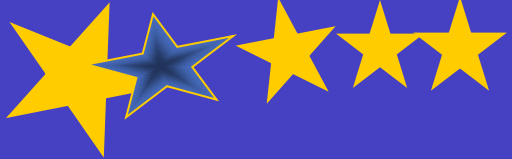


Hard landing for Europe

Challenge

- EU- created a norm convergence within - critical to its identity
- The post-crisis despair and chill in political relations
- New power / interest equations





★ Suspended hope?

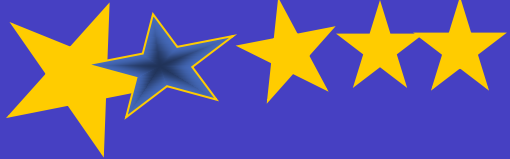
The Way Forward

- New coalition building
- Finding the consensus



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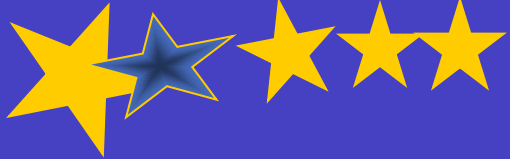




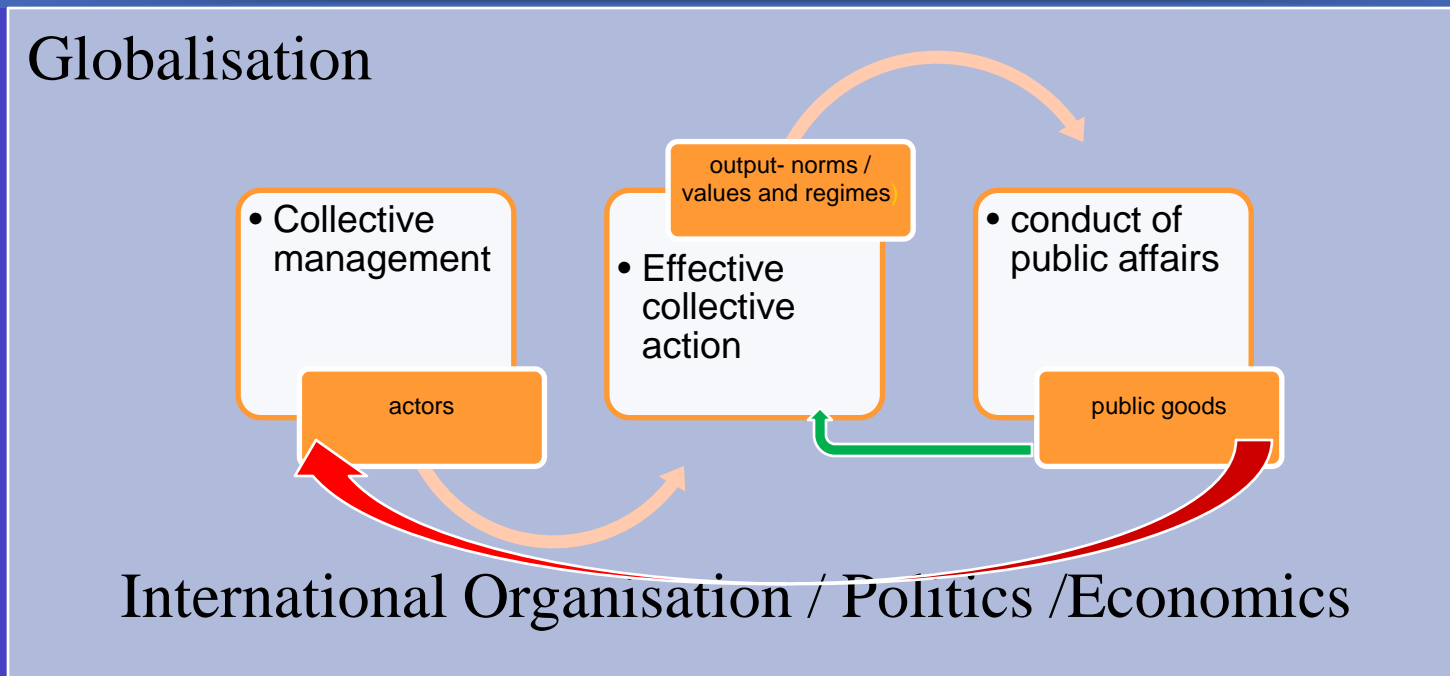
★ EU / State and Governance

- **Crisis and the resurgence of State**
- **Growing Interdependence and the provision of common goods (differentiated)**
- **Addressed with the framework of EU multi-level governance**



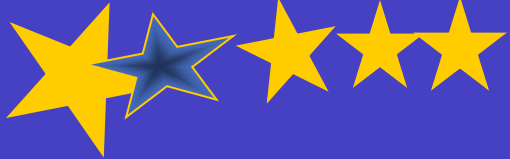


EU/ States and Multi-level Governance



Challenge:

Creating perfect or all encompassing response systems when dealing with unpredictability



★ Challenges to EU in Multi-Level Governance

- Create an effective system which will also have to address sustainability at multiple levels- political, economic and social.
- Shaping a new global agenda requires policies, mechanisms and instruments that transcend the currently prevalent multiple and fragmented approach to development and governance.
- The biggest challenge for Europe will be in maintaining shared value preferences in the quest for a new cooperation in multi-level governance.





Thank You





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Tomorrow (Tuesday 14 February 2012), 17:00-19:00

Lecture by Jan Kregel 'Six Lessons from the Euro Crisis'
ISS - The Hague

Monday 12 March 2012, 18:15-19:45

SID Lecture by René Cuperus 'All Politics is Domestic Politics!?'
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