



Focus

The future of the EU-UK relationship



Dear Reader,

Since the beginning of the negotiations, the EU and the UK have made progress on the terms of an orderly withdrawal. We welcome the progress made and the engagement of both negotiating teams.

However, concerns persist about the lack of substantial progress on crucial matters like the Ireland/Northern Ireland issue, and also the governance mechanisms. The Withdrawal Agreement must contain a fully operational

backstop solution for Ireland and Northern Ireland. Without agreement on that matter there will be no deal.

The governance mechanisms, including the interpretation and application of the agreement and the dispute settlement provisions are essential in order to achieve the necessary level of trust and the desired depth of our partnership".

Danuta Hübner, MEP

Chair of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs

Future EU-UK relationship (workshop)

Policy Department for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs

May 2018



The impact of Brexit on the EU is complex, in particular due to its size and the diversity of situations of its component Member States.

On 24 May, the Policy Department for Citizens' Rights and Constitutional Affairs organised a workshop where three experts presented their research

papers, reflecting on the institutional consequences of the three possible Brexit alternatives: "hard Brexit", "distant cooperation model" and "close cooperation model".

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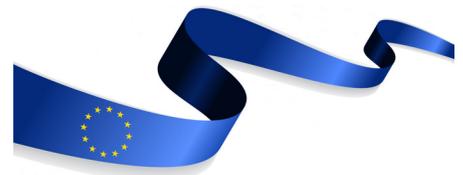
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10 July 2018 - 15.00 to 18.30

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Ensuring high-quality job creation from EU funding programmes

Policy Department for Budgetary Affairs

April 2018



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EU Japan cooperation on global and regional security

Policy Department for External Relations

June 2018



The EU and Japan face in many respects similar challenges and a similar evolution in security and defence. This may lead them to come closer on global and regional issues. This analysis looks at the reasons which may lead the EU and Japan, both civilian powers forced to reconsider the 'soft power-only' option for their security, to cooperate at both global and regional levels to tackle common challenges. This is also an opportunity for the EU to prove a reliable partner and 'global player'.



Subordinated debt and self-placement

Policy Department for Economic, Scientific and Quality of Life Policies

June 2018



Mis-selling by financial institutions is not just an issue of investor protection, but also of financial stability. Part of a series of five studies on the mis-selling of financial products, this paper focusses on subordinated debt and other junior liabilities and weaknesses of MiFID. It concludes that in this area, violations rather than legislative weaknesses were the issue, but nonetheless provides suggestions to strengthen the law.



Creative Europe: towards the next programme generation

Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies

June 2018



An analysis of the Creative Europe programme, including its objectives, structure, aspects related to decision-making and the impact of its implementation. The manifold impacts of culture for Europe's society and economy are more and more broadly acknowledged across EU policy documents. This is reflected in the new European Agenda for Culture, and Creative Europe is the main EU instrument to deliver on these ambitious goals.



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