

European Identity



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Results and Recommendations (I)

- 1) Recognising ‘identity’ as an elusive and intrinsically constructivist concept**
- 2) Acknowledging collective identity as central to any body politic**
- 3) Weighing up chances and limits of national identity-building patterns being replicated at a supranational level**
- 4) Recognising the need for European identity to be *both* political *and* cultural**

Results and Recommendations (II)

- 5) Revising existing EU identity policies with a view to strengthening bottom-up approaches**
- 6) Historical remembrance as a focal point of identity struggles, yet also a potential nucleus of European identity**
- 7) Fostering a civic ‘European culture of remembering’**
- 8) Acknowledging the central role of education**

Outlook

- **Aspiration**
- **Reality**
- **Paradox**
- **(Non-)Need**
- **Misconception**



**Thank you for
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