

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Lessons to be drawn from the 2019 elections and proposals in view of the debate concerning the Future of Europe

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## Conference on the Future of Europe?



1992	Euro convergence criteria (Maastricht)
1996	Westendorp Report
2001	Laeken Declaration on the future of the European Union
2004	European Constitutional Treaty
2005	National referendums on the European Constitutional Treaty
2009	Treaty of Lisbon
2012	First EMU reform plan
2013	François Hollande calls for 'European political union'
2015	Second EMU reform plan
2017	Resolution of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs on improving the functioning of the EU
2018	MEPS reject a plan for transnational lists

### The results from the first 40,000 respondents show that the key concerns of Europeans are:



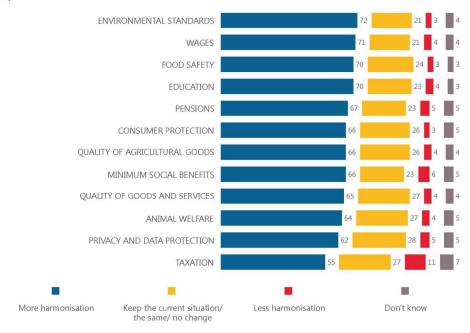
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QA2 To improve each of the following areas, would you prefer to have more harmonisation between European Union countries, less harmonisation between European Union countries, or would you prefer to keep the current situation?

(% - EU)



#### Forschungsbericht

Thomas Raines, Matthew Goodwin und David Cutts Europa Programm | Juni 2017

## Europa – ziehen wir (noch) an einem Strang?

Was Bevölkerung und Eliten wirklich über die EU denken – eine repräsentative Umfrage



Citizens are not there to be consulted.

Citizens decide.

## It's the law, stupid!

European Single Market – legal equality for goods European Monetary Union – legal equality for capital European Services Directive – legal equality for work European Food Safety – legal equality for consumers

European Democracy – legal equality for citizens?

One market (1992)

One currency (2002)

One democracy (2030?)



One Euro (2002)

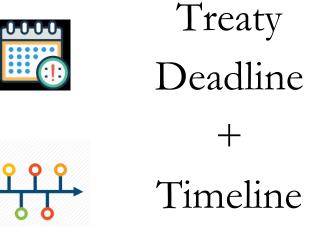
One IBAN/SEPA (2016)

One European Social Security Number (ESSN) (2030?)

## The Delors Method









#### Timeline Euro

1994
Creation of the
European
Monetary Institute

1999 Launch of the Euro

New notes and coins were introduced

2002

# Timeline European Social Security Number (ESSN)

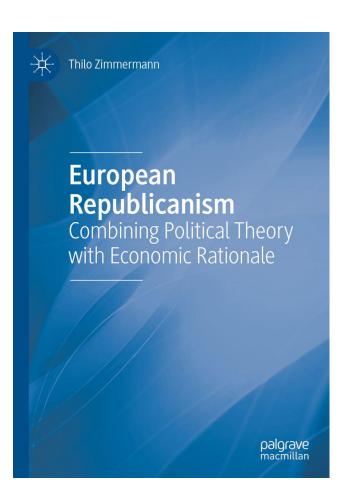




#### One card for all

- Administrative matters
- Social Security (health, retirement, minimum wage, etc.)
- Elections
- Building a European **G f f a**





- Public Goods
- Res Publica Europaea
- European regional planning





Multi-level-Governance

Subsidiarity

Better Regulations

Pooling Sovereignty

Sovereignty

Citizens

Public Goods

Checks of Balances

## REPUBLIC OF EUROPE

#### **GOVERNMENT**

**ALLOCATION OF COMPETENCIES?** 

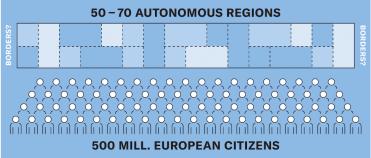
#### **SENATE**

2 REPRESENTATIVES PER REGION

#### **PARLIAMENT**

1 PERSON 1 VOTE

ALLOCATION OF COMPETENCIES?



How to compose a second chamber system?



## Let us really be European citizens!

- European association/ foundation law
- European tax number
- European voter registration
- European public body
- European civil code
- European economic code

## Second attempt for a European Constitution?



Referendum in the whole EU

(Art 48 TFEU)



## Thank you for your attention!



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