

Why Europe Must Become a Republic!

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"A really good idea is only one which seems completely illusionary in the beginning."

Albert Einstein

"Because what is can change, that what is, is not everything."

Theodor Adorno









State

Market





free movement of people

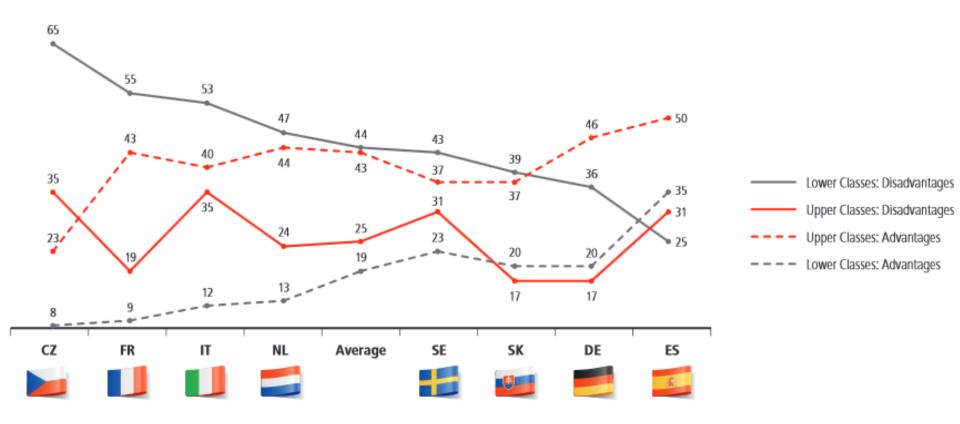






Advantages, Disadvantages of EU Membership

Advantages, Disadvantages According to Upper Classes and Lower Classes in eight Countries



Question: When thinking of your country's EU membership, would you say that advantages outweigh disadvantages, or that disadvantages outweigh advantages, or that advantages and disadvantages are even?

Figures in per cent | Gap between figures shown and 100 percent is the equivalent of categories »do not know«, »prefer not to say« Basis: Eligible voters

Source: policy matters

European Trilogy:

Parliament

with no right of legal initiative

Commission

which is no Government

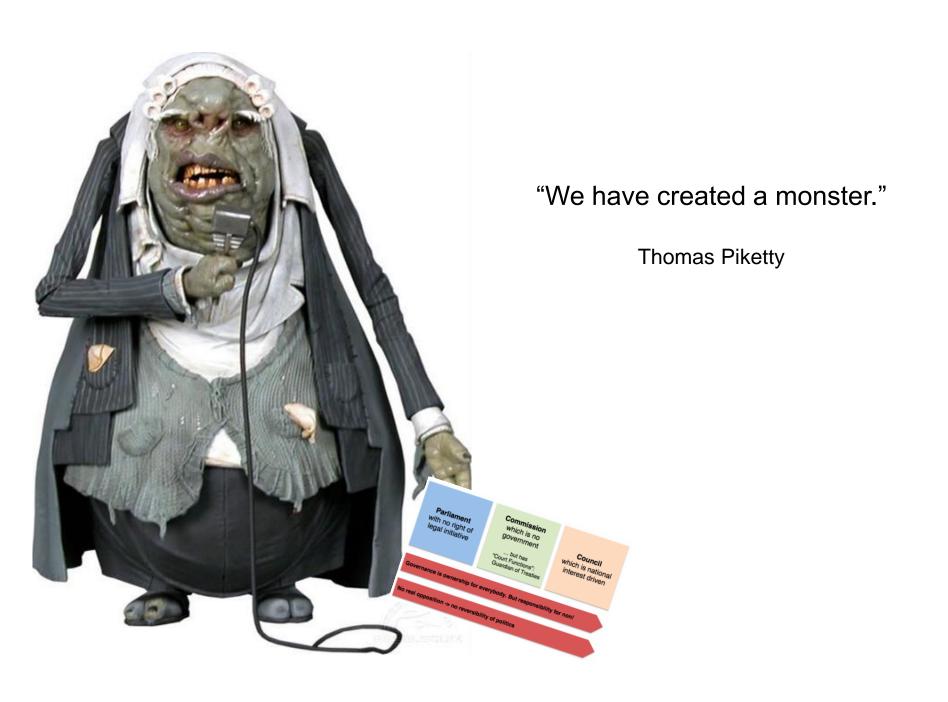
... but has "Court Functions": Guardian of the Treaties

Council

which is driven by national interest

Governance is ownership for everybody but responsibility for none!

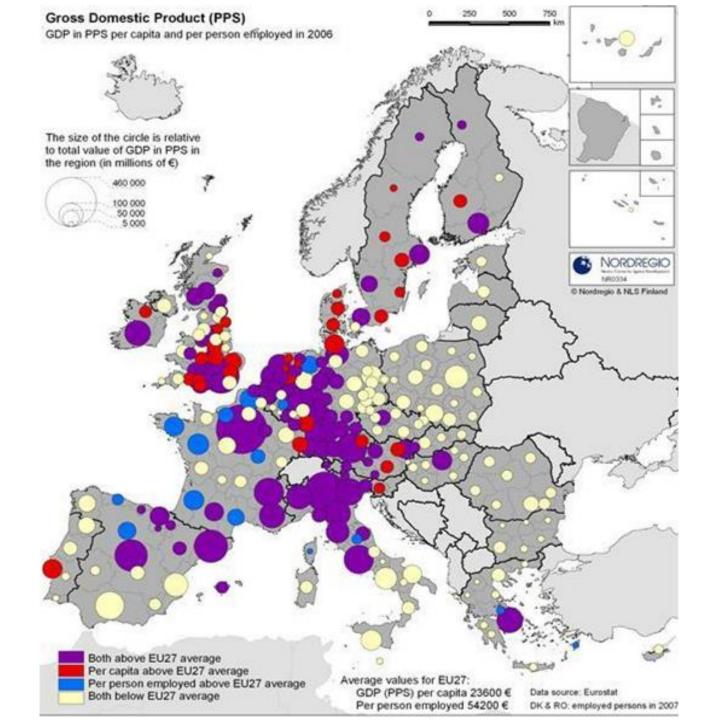
No real opposition → no reversibility of politics

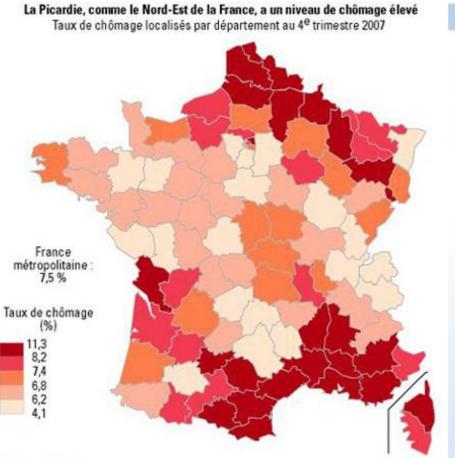


"When the old world dies, and the new one isn't born yet, we live in the times of a monster."

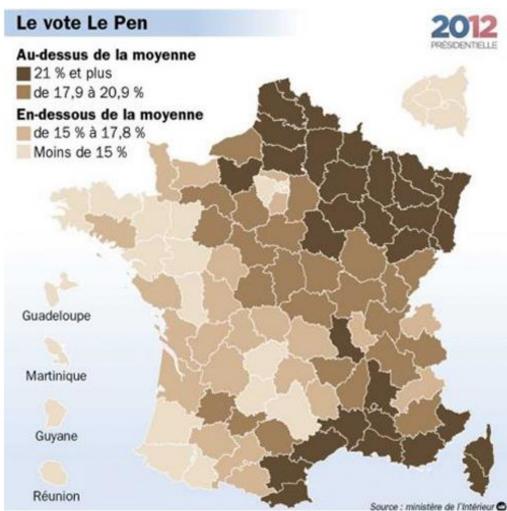
Antonio Gramsci





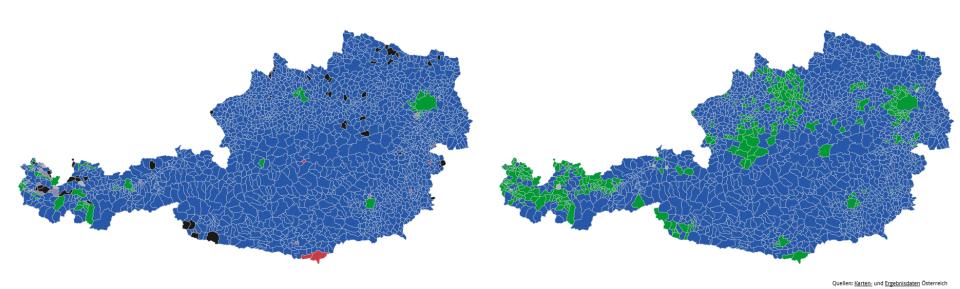


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Austrian presidential election, 2016

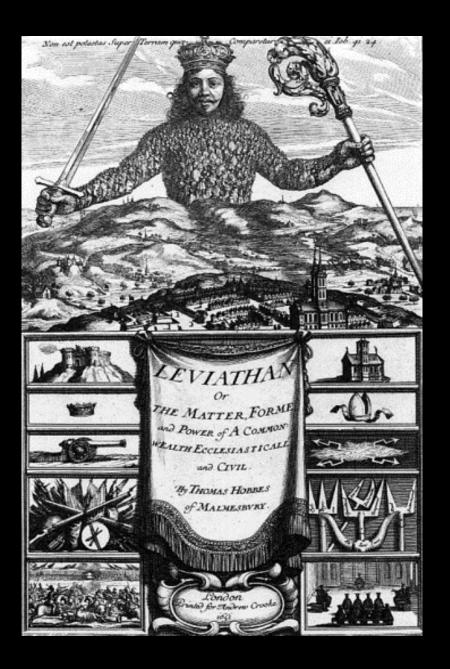
- Norbert Hofer (FPÖ)
- Alexander van der Bellen (Green Party)



1st round, 24th April 2016

2nd round, 22nd May 2016

Leave Vote: Regions most exposed to EU demand are more eurosceptic 16 North East 14 North West 12 West Mids EU exports, % region's GVA London East Mids East of England South East Yorkshire South West Scotland 8 2 -25 -20 -15 -10 -5 0 5 10 Net in favour of leaving the EU, % ONS, and an average of Survation, TNS, 30% 40% 50% 60% +70% 0%



It's a man's world.

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Europos Vadovų Taryba

Consiliul European Consiglio Europeo

Европейски Съвет Europeiska Rådet

Rada Europejska Evropski Svet Conseil E



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Europäischer Rat An Chomhairle Eorpach

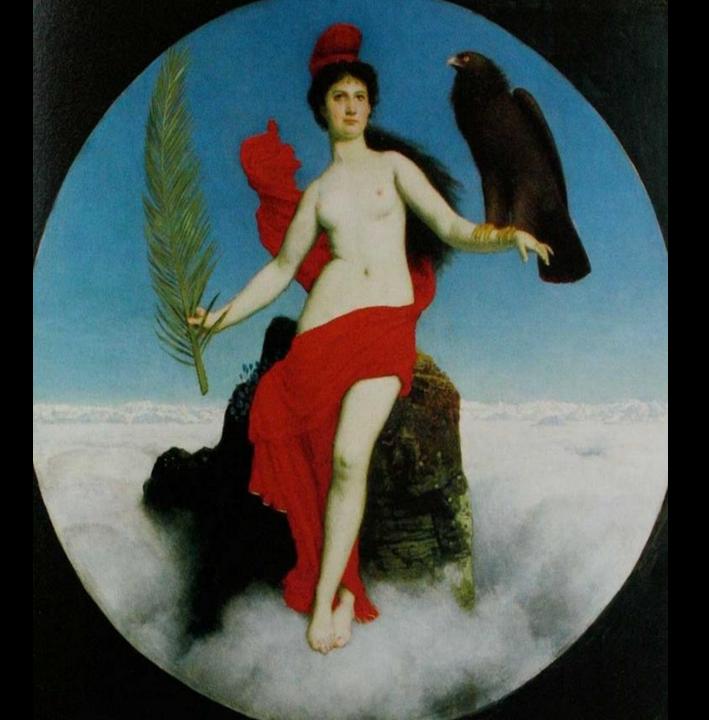
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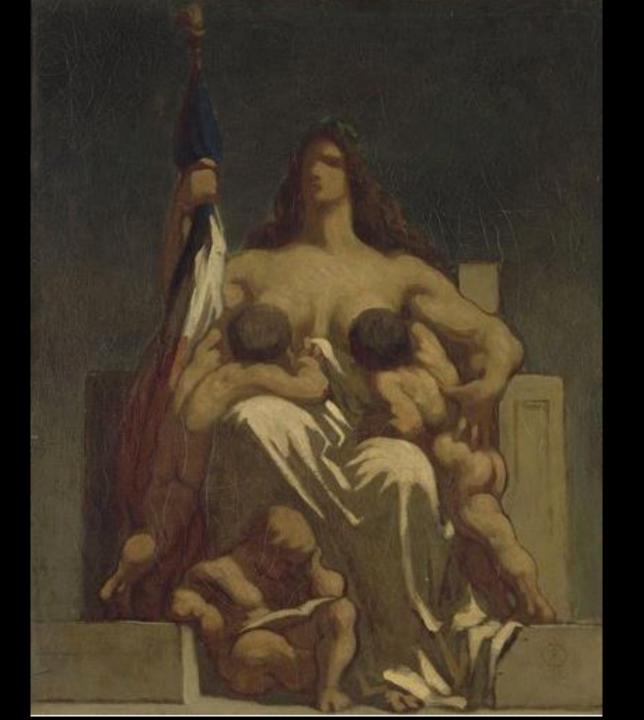
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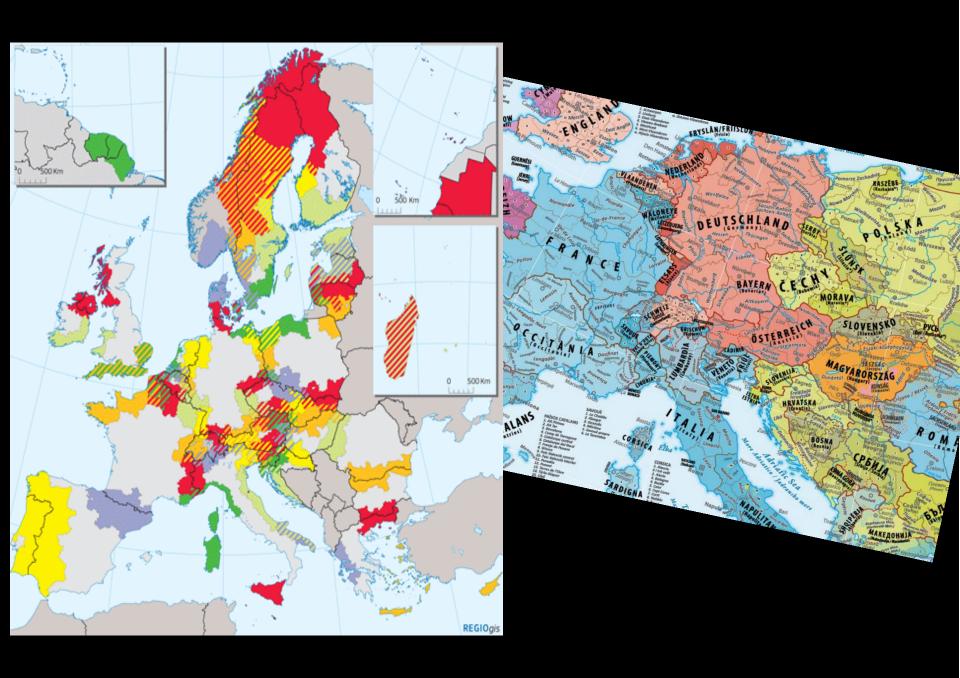






Entibi, formolæ fub forma Europa puellæ Viuida fœcundos pandit vt illa finus. MERIDIES. Ridens Italiam dextra Cimbrosog finiffra Obtinet, Hilpanum fronte geritch folum.

Pectore habet Gallos, Germanos corpore gestat Ac pedibus Graios, Sauromatas és souet,



Back to the future!

THE EUROPEAN REPUBLIC



The French Revolution brought equality beyond class.

The Suffragettes brought equality beyond gender.

The Civil Rights Movement brought equality beyond race.

It is now time for political equality beyond the nation.

Principle of political equality means:

electoral equality

equal fiscal policy

equal access to social rights





2 Senators per European Province & Metropolitan Area



European President



European House of Representatives

"One (wo)man, one vote"



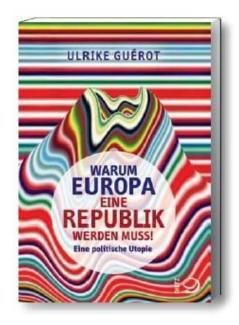




†††† European Citizens

THE EUROPEAN REPUBLIC IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

»NO MORE NATIONALISTIC SHIT, PLEASE!«



Die Autorin steht für Veranstaltungen zur Verfügung

Es ist Zeit, Europa neu zu denken. Weg mit der Brüsseler Trilogie aus Rat, Kommission und Parlament! Die Nationalstaaten pervertieren die europäische Idee und spielen Europas Bürger gegeneinander aus. Europa muss aber heißen: Alle europäischen Bürger haben gleiche politische Rechte. Vernetzt die europäischen Regionen! Schafft ein gemeinsames republikanisches Dach! Wählt einen europäischen Parlamentarismus, der dem Grundsatz der Gewaltenteilung genügt!

Dieser Text ist ein utopisches Experiment. Res publica bedeutet Gemeinwohl – daran fehlt es in der EU heute am meisten. Die Idee der Republik ist von Aristoteles bis Kant das normale Verfassungsprinzip für politische Gemeinwesen. Wenden wir es doch einmal auf Europa an. Bauen wir Europa neu, damit sich die Geschichte der Nationalismen nicht wiederholt. Damit Europa in der Welt von morgen nicht untergeht, sondern zur Avantgarde auf dem Weg in eine Weltbürgerunion wird.

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