

What Future for Europe?

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An anti-democratic Europe ?

Will the construction of Europe continue along the anti-democratic lines it has followed thus far or shall we prove able to invent a new means of pursuing its momentum?

We must cease pulling the wool over our own eyes. We have allowed the European dream to become entangled in the meanders of petty ambition and futile, ill-timed discussion. Shall we be able to ignite in the peoples of Europe the wish to engage in what had appeared to us to be the most generous of all political undertakings and to arouse a desire to master their own destiny? The paths that have so far been pursued to realize the European dream - even if they have achieved certain concrete results - have today led us into a blind alley.

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New approaches must be explored, new means discovered for a fresh start; means that will satisfy the need for dialogue in both eurosceptics and euro-enthusiasts within a context of the respect required by the rules of the democratic game.

To these ends:

- The European Parliament should declare itself a Constituent Assembly qualified to propose a draft Constitution applicable to the entire Union;
- the task of this Constitution as well as the functioning of the European institutions would be to oblige all European citizens to respect the ten fundamental principles that lie at the heart of any viable democracy;
- the construction of Europe can be achieved only by respecting the values of the scientific civilization which has now definitely replaced the agrarian civilization;
- with regard to social development, this can be conceived only in the context of absolute respect for responsibility, individual liberty and ethics, in short, mutual respect in all human activity.

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