

Our Collective Interest

Why Europe's problems need global solutions and global problems need European action

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Trade & Finance



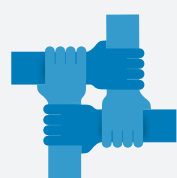
Better align trade and development: take advantage of the EU-US trade agreement TTIP.



Address illicit financial flows: enhance exchange of tax information and transparency.



Poverty & Inequality



Increase the focus on poverty reduction and inequality: extend joint-programming with member states.



Graduate countries gradually: make sure the EU does not withdraw all instruments at once from countries graduating from aid.



Environment



Paris Climate 2015

Include climate goals in the post-2015 agenda: build a strong EU profile on climate change to influence negotiations.



Make the EU competitive and fit for a low-carbon century: revise and reaffirm the Europe 2020 strategy.

Strengthening the EU's conditions for success in the 5 priority areas

The EU needs 'whole of government' approaches and more effective engagement across internal and external policy fields.

To achieve this, it needs to:

- Develop a global strategy targeting sustainable development and global collective action
- Enable strong leadership and joint work across policy areas
- Enhance skills and capacities at delegation and headquarters levels
- Re-organise the European Parliament to strengthen accountability



Peace & Security



Respond better and smarter: the EU and member states need to improve the timing of their action, their activities, the actors they work with and where they intervene.



Renew the focus on prevention: the EU institutions and member states must have a more effective division of labour and a focus on conflict prevention.



Governance & Democracy



Address political barriers to drivers of reform: develop politically smart and contextually relevant engagement with states.



Make the support to citizen voice and 'political society' stronger and more strategic.