



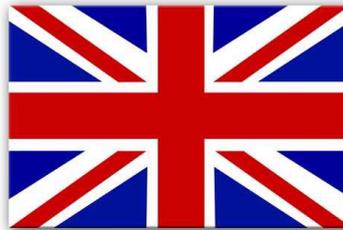
## BREXIT an opportunity for Europe



David Cameron recently sent a letter to the heads of states of the European Union, defining his objectives and demands, and announcing a referendum in Great Britain at the end of 2017 (threat of Brexit on the subject “in or out”). His demands are in particular:

- Protect the common market and the UK from what the Eurozone is likely to decide,
- Withdraw the obligation to move towards an ever closer union,
- Work increasingly towards a close relationship with national parliaments and adopt a rule like the one Germany has where the Karlsruhe Court may refuse a European Directive,
- Reduce abuse of the right of mobility in Europe, restrict immigration and immigrant’s rights, but not those of Europeans to work throughout Europe,
- Put competitiveness in the EU's genes, including "reducing all constraints on business".

David Cameron's letter is a points pertinently to serious community response. It satisfy the independence and framework of a strict common with all the principles set out in



European treaties the UK has adopted (Rome 1957: "... lay the foundations of *an ever closer union among the peoples ...*", Maastricht 1992: "... deepen *solidarity between their peoples...*" Lisbon 2009: " ... a new stage in the *process of European integration ...* ").

masterpiece of nationalism: it EU malfunctions but offers no proposes only solutions that the interests of GB in the market. This is totally at odds the preambles of the

This comes as no surprise. In the English culture the preamble of a contract does not count; it is just a few pleasant words. Only technical clauses are commitments! **Historically** England has always been wary of Europe. The **Continent** has always been a threat, from William the Conqueror to Stalin. And finally the personality of this country is too pronounced for the constraints of a European mentality; the English wish to retain control of their own destiny!

Make no mistake, Cameron’s letter to the European Council does not only request the opening of negotiations on changes to be made, but actually runs against the European project with great impertinence. For instance he asks for an amendment of the Schengen Treaty, that England has never signed and wants to have a say in what the Eurozone could decide for itself, though he has always refused to be part of it! The letter however highlights at least two positive points:

- It clearly states: "We have a different vision of Europe"
- It calls for an examination and correction of the current dysfunctions of the EU.

Now however, the world over, to agree to negotiate implies that one will discuss until an agreement is reached and to that end compromises must be accepted by each party. Hence Cameron’s propositions are not of a win-win future but an attempt at blackmail. **“Ye who yield blackmail shall definitely fail”**. Agreeing to open negotiations with England is the beginning of an unraveling of the EU and a return to a de facto free trade area.

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There is no question of accepting negotiations; let us leave Cameron to his problem. With the referendum, he is seeking first and foremost to solve a problem with his party polluted by debates between those who want to leave the EU and those who want to stay in. But whatever happens, **England will not leave the EU. The English are a pragmatic people** and know the facts: 50% of British export goes to the EU and 2 million English people living on the continent enjoy freedom of movement, work there and move their money back and forth. Conversely the UK benefits from all the Continentals who bring their talents and **their money to the City** without restriction! Whatever the outcome, the UK will not leave the EU, be it only to keep a say in matters and will do the utmost to destroy the Union in favor of short term British interests.

Some people brandish the huge risk it would be to see GB secede, but those with the loudest voice are those who see strong advantage in the current situation of a weak Europe and those of the City and the financial world who lend money at interest to the States. Interestingly enough Cameron did not ask to change the ban for the ECB on lending directly to Euro-states at zero rates as do all state banks all over the world (Article 123 of the Lisbon Treaty)! The only risk that analysts consider is the undermining of the EU's construction.

One may consider this blackmail of David Cameron as an opportunity sufficient to shake Europe and allow its rebuilding on a better footing. The threat of dissolving all efforts of peace and reconciliation between nations after almost 60 years would result in a Europe of states with one single common purpose: the benefit of companies and financial organisations.

The six founding countries and other members of the Eurozone, should have a positive approach and finally decide to re-found their Union with a new organisation, healthier and simpler, which would be their own. The two-speed Europe which David Cameron is fond of would have a meaning: **a marketplace for the 28** partners and **a political union for the**

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Today's European  
be viable and is too  
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officials, too much  
too much complexity,  
too much power in the  
a "Diet" of nationalist  
power for the democratic  
Parliament, too many  
nationalist MPs who  
paralyse the action,  
too limited a budget....  
Difficult to mend such  
a situation!



**those who volunteer.**  
Union has too many  
flaws to be reformed.  
many directives,  
too many inaction,  
too much opacity,  
and.... **But he does not say,**  
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which is Heads of  
states, too little

Thanks to Cameron's blackmail we have a glimpse of the solution, an obligation for countries to take responsibility into their own hands and choose sides: either a free trade area or **an entirely new organisation** of countries in the Eurozone. This will be the beginning of a real Union of European States, which of course would be part of the free trade area. To seize this great opportunity, we must refuse to negotiate, reject the blackmail and open the building-site of this political union in the Eurozone

So, Distinguished MEPs, Heads of State and Commissioners, either you agree, by negotiating with David Cameron, to unravel the EU, or you take up the gauntlet by setting up a constituent assembly which, starting from scratch and benefiting from 60 years' experience, will build a project of Union of European States in the Eurozone.

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