

EU3D
Differentiation
Dominance
Democracy



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What are the **democratic** potentials and the **dominance** pitfalls of **differentiation** in today's EU?

YEARS

4

1 Feb 2019
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31 Jan 2023

COUNTRIES

10

Belgium, Denmark,
France, Germany, Greece,
Italy, Norway, Poland,
Slovakia, UK

RESEARCHERS

50

Political science, law,
economics, philosophy,
public administration,
media studies

Differentiation: democracy versus dominance

The challenge

The EU has expanded in depth and breadth across a range of member states with greatly different makeups, making the European integration process more differentiated. Recent developments have exposed the EU's vulnerability to volatile markets, geopolitical changes, and domestic opposition. Brexit is but the starkest reminder that the EU confronts disintegration challenges.

Problem diagnosis and reforms

EU3D specifies the conditions under which differentiation is politically acceptable, institutionally sustainable, and democratically legitimate; and singles out those forms of differentiation that engender dominance.

The research

EU3D provides important knowledge of the conditions under which EU reforms may fail or succeed by analysing:

- > The EU system of economic governance
- > Asylum and immigration policy
- > Citizens' perceptions of EU governance
- > Media and parliamentary debates
- > Regional and municipal actors
- > Future of Europe reform proposals
- > EU-UK relations post-Brexit
- > EU compared to other federations and regional organisations
- > EU's affiliations with non-members
- > EU's relations with applicant states

The future of Europe debate

EU3D engages with policy stakeholders and informs public debates on the future of Europe through a series of events in the ten partner countries:

- > EU3D lecture series
- > EU3D public debates
- > EU3D student/youth debates
- > EU3D policy dialogues

Resources

- > Blog on differentiation and democracy
- > Podcast series on the future of Europe
- > Policy briefs
- > Reform proposal database
- > Research paper series
- > Report series



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