



*Contemporary European
Politics*

EU DEFENSE

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- Benefits
- Obstacles
- Solutions



Summary

- **1- The advantages of a Common European Defense :**

- 1.1 Discourage or neutralize threats against the territorial integrity of the EU.

- 1.2 Synchronization of the military budget.

- 1.3 Adding cohesion to the European Union by working together on the same missions.

- 1.4 Reinforce solidarity within the European Union.

- 1.5 Agreement for a common armament

- **2 - What are the obstacles ?**

- 2-1 : What people think about the security of EU ?

- 2-2 : The NATO obstacle

- 2-3 : The rise of skepticism and geopolitical concerns

- **3 – What solutions for an effective EU Defense ?**

- 3-1 : The 9 relevant points

EU Defense through History

Beginning of EU Defense :



Creation in order to counter the powerful OTAN and to allow Europe to defend her by herself



Today's Situation

Different perturbations, as the
brexit, makes us wonder what the
future of European defense will be
?



Is European unity that
strong ?



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What people
think about
an EU army?



of Europeans think that the
EU should do more in security
and defence policy



What obstacles face the EU Defense ?

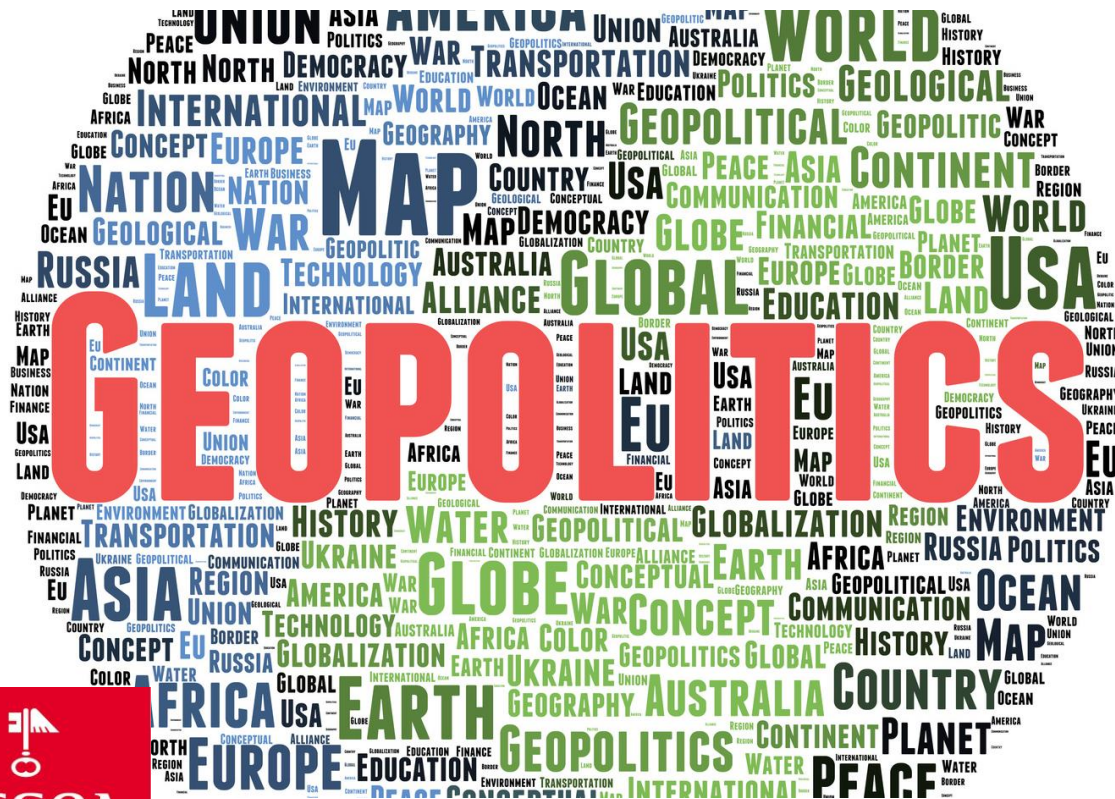
"NATO is the only credible military shield Europe has"

Bloomberg
Opinion



"The UK cannot reasonably stand in the way of any potential "EU Army" after voting for Brexit"

- Boris Johnson



A strategic autonomy

- European Defense Fund = €13bn
- Article 42 § 7 of the Treaty on European Union T



Further
explanation
on next
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What solutions can be brought ?

European
Institutions
(recognition
of a
"defense"
format of the
Council)

Joint military
exercises

Better
articulate
European
capacity
planning
processes

Relaunch the
Common
Security and
Defense
Policy

. Defend the
budget
proposed for
the European
Defense Fund
(worth
€13bn)

Clarify the
functioning
of Article 42
§ 7 of the
Treaty on
European
Union

Establishment
of a defense
and security
treaty with
the UK

Major
Franco-
German
industrial
projects

Flexible
mechanisms
both inside
and outside
the EU



Conclusion

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