

## Explaining the European Union's Foreign Policy

The European Union was created for the purpose of encouraging peace on the continent, but today is increasingly active globally in areas such as diplomacy, development, humanitarian and consular aid, and civilian and military crisis management. Yet we know little about the forces that drive the Union to interact, influence, and intervene outside its borders. This book offers a new theoretical perspective that explains how EU collective action is driven by practice, such as diplomatic routines and crisis management procedures. Using global case studies, Ekengren shows how the EU's representatives perform these routines, or transnational practices, across particular "locales" around the globe, from Kosovo to Haiti. By connecting transnational and local forces in the explanation of EU foreign policy action, he presents an outline of a practice theory of translocal action. Scholars, policymakers, and journalists will find this theoretically groundbreaking book essential in understanding the European Union's foreign policy.

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Abbreviations

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CARDS	Community Assistance for Reconstruction, Development, and Stabilisation
CARIFORUM	Caribbean States Forum
CCA	Crisis Coordination Arrangements
CECIS	Common Emergency Communication and Information System
CELAC	Community of Latin American and Caribbean States
CFSP	Common Foreign and Security Policy
CIMIC	civil – military cooperation
CIVCOM	Committee for Civilian Aspects of Crisis Management
CMPD	Crisis Management and Planning Directorate
CoOI	EU Situation Centre Consular Online
COPLA	Council Committee Meetings for Policy Planning and Analysis
COSI	Standing Committee on Operational Cooperation on Internal Security
CPCC	Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability
CSDP	Common Security and Defence Policy
DEVCO	European Commission Directorate-General for International Cooperation and Development
DG RELEX	European Commission Directorate-General for External Relations
ECMM	European Community Monitoring Mission in the Former Yugoslavia
ECOFIN	European Commission Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs
EEAS	European External Action Service
ECHO	European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations
EGF	European Gendarmerie Force

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EPC	European Political Cooperation
ERCC	Emergency Response Coordination Centre
ESDP	European Security and Defence Policy
EU	European Union
EUCO	EU Coordination Cell for Haiti
EUCPT	EU Civil Protection Team
EUMC	EU Military Committee
EUMS	EU Military Staff
EUSR	EU Special Representative
HR	High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
FAC	EU Foreign Affairs Council
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
ICO	International Civilian Office
IFOR	Implementation Force
IFRC	International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
IfS	Instrument for Stability
INGO	international nongovernmental organization
JOTC	Joint Operations and Tasking Centre
KFOR	Kosovo Force
KLA	Kosovo Liberation Army
LRRD	linking relief, rehabilitation, and development
MIC	Monitoring and Information Centre
NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NGO	nongovernmental organization
OFDA	Office of US Foreign Disaster Assistance
OBNOVA	European Community Assistance program
OSCE	Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe
OSOCC	On-Site Operations Coordination Centre
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
PDNA	post-disaster needs assessment
PHARE	Poland and Hungary Assistance for the Reconstruction of the Economy
PSC	Political and Security Committee
SAA	Stability and Association Agreement
SFOR	Stabilization Force in Bosnia and Herzegovina
SITCEN	Situation and Intelligence Centre
TAFKO	European Commission Task Force Kosovo

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TAST	Technical Assistance and Support Team
UN	United Nations
UNDAC	United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations Children’s Emergency Fund
UNMIK	United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo
UN-MINUSTAH	United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti
UNPROFOR	United Nations Protection Force
UN-OCHA	UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
UNRWA	UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
UNSCR	UN Security Council Resolution
UN-WFP	UN World Food Programme
US	United States of America
USAID	US Agency for International Development
USAR	urban search and rescue
WHO	World Health Organization
WEU	Western European Union