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The strategy of European integration of Western Balkans and the dilemma of this pathway on the joint security

The Idea of European Cooperation

- Security and Prosperity as a reason for the European Cooperation;
- What would be the model of collaboration between members states of an international organization?
- Why it started with the collaboration of coal and stainless steel?

Financial Security and Prosperity

- Embracement of other countries to join EU along with other European countries;
- Evolution of European communities and their geographical enlargement;

The end of Risk of the “Cold War”

- The fall of Berlin Wall and the end of Cold War, the need for unity in Europe;
- The need of association to ensure security from external and internal risks;

Expansion of Internal and External Collaboration

- European Council of Copenhagen and enlargement criteria on new membership;
- The need to ensure security in the post-communist countries;

European Union and Enlargement Process

- Enlargement as a need for internal and external border security of Europe;
- Consolidation as a crucial point for international stability;
- Membership of the majority of former communist countries;

Obstacles of Political Pluralism of the Western Balkans

- Difficulties in establishing and consolidating the rule of law;
- The absence of separation of power and the inability to establish legal and constitutional functional system;

Internal and Regional Insecurity of Western Balkan Countries

- The absence of the political will for cohabitation as an obstacle for establishment of common interest;
- Increase of international criminality as an obstacle for the enforcement of the regional security;

Differentiated Progress of the Former Communist Countries towards EU enlargement

- The complex of certain countries in the Balkans to fulfill membership obligations;
- The ethnic conflicts as an obstacle towards EU integration and potential threat to the internal security of European Union;

The Association-Stabilization Process

- European Union proposal to engage gradually towards integration Western Balkan countries;
- Choice or need of EU the selective approach in collaboration and differentiation between the Western Balkan countries;

European Union Support and the Challenges in the Progress of Integration

- Large programs of the EU for the promptness of the integration process and the disproportionality in outcome;
- EU integration, a process with obstacles;

Financial Crisis and Uncertainties of EU on the Integration Process

- Increase of skepticism on the EU and the shifting of priorities from enlargement to internal problems;
- Uncertainties of Brexit in EU;

The slow-down of EU Integration Process and its Dilemmas

- The declaration of the EU President on the slow-down of EU integration during 2014-2019;
- The Berlin process as a compensation on the slow-down of the EU integrations of the Western Balkans;

Humanitarian Crisis of Emigration

- Increase of insecurity of EU in absence of consensus over the Dublin Regulation;
- Police collaboration of the Balkan countries for the security of external borders of EU;

Increase of Attention of Member Countries in towards Western Balkans

- Increase of security in EU by enlargement and inclusion of Western Balkans, or the decrease of interest of the last towards EU and alternative solutions?!

Individual or Collective Membership?

- Despite the differences in fulfilling the integration obligations, the membership of WB separately could pose a potential risk for the security of EU;
- The disagreement of the European Council for the integration of Albania and North Macedonia within EU;

Dilemmas on the Process of Stabilization-Association

- Did the process of stabilization-association serve as factor in enforcing the relations between EU and Western Balkans?
- The process of EU integration of the western Balkans an endless route...

Extensive Reforms in Fulfilling the Integration Criteria

- Constitutional reforms of Albania in strengthening the judicial system and its independence and rule of law;
- Uncertainties on these reforms;

Mini-Schengen of the Balkans

- The mini-Schengen of the Balkan countries as an opportunity towards EU integration or a step-back from it?

United States as allies of European Union

- The contribution of US in the regional security as a challenge and opportunity for the increase of the EU role in Western Balkans;