

Diplomacy beyond Territorialism

Local and Regional Authorities as new
diplomatic actors since the 1980's

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Call for Papers

Can - and should - **diplomacy** remain **state privilege**?

Issues for discussion:

- **Multi-level governance**
- **Subsidiarity**
- **Territories** decision-making **frames**

This **territorialism** implies macro social space being "...wholly organized in terms of units such as districts, towns, provinces, countries and regions. In times of *statist* territorialism more particularly, countries have held pride of place above the other kinds of territorial realms." (Scholte 2000, 47)

Multi-level “Governance”

Type I

Cooperation between hierarchical levels =
multi-level **government** (CoR)

Critique of **state** territorialism

Questions **diplomatic state privilege**

Diplomatic privileges for lower-level administrations, but **also functional representatives**

Type II

Cooperation between service providers =
governance, but **not multi-level**

Critique of territorialism *pers se*

Questions privileging **all** governments

Subsidiarity

Type I

Assumes territorial **hierarchy**

Operates within multi-level **government**
(CoR)

Questions **non-state actors**

Type II

Recognises **non-state actors**

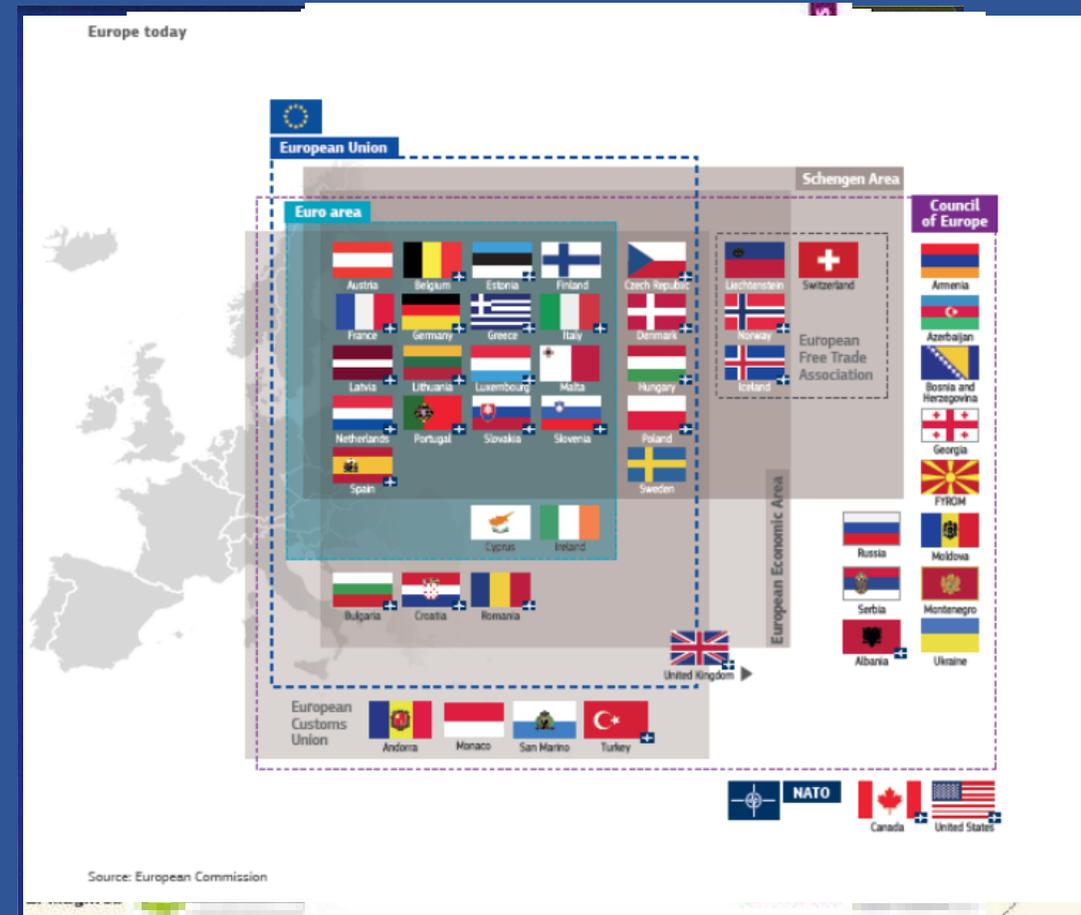
Operates within multi-level **governance**
including **non-state actors**

Questions privileging **governments**

Subsidiarity **Type I** represents deal between levels within **Territorial-Administrative Complex**

Territorialism

- **National territories** as frames **product of modernity**
- Also true for **production of democratic legitimacy**
- **'People'** (Rosanvallon 1998) replaced princely **sovereigns**
- Needed: **homogeneity, common language and culture**
- Inventing **ancestors, histories, traditions** (Thiesse 1999)
- State system replaced by **more complex arrangements**
- **Cooperation networks** mitigating territorialism
- Actors involved in **manifold, quasi-diplomatic dealings**



Diplomacy Beyond Territorialism

- Territories will **not disappear**
- Representatives of various territorial levels will continue to **pursue interests of their constituencies**
- **Exclusiveness** of, above all state territories, on grounds that they harbour sovereign nations in a world of networks **is a misfit**
- **Unanswered question:** how to secure **democratic legitimacy without states** as containers