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EC president from 1985 - 1995

Perhaps it is time that the Europeans will identify those responsible for the fragmentation and the transformation of Europe into Eurabia. Maybe it's time, especially in an era of globalisation, to recognise the boundaries of an economic and materialistic view of politics. So that the precious values of humanity, which Europe even during the darkest periods of its history always wanted to maintain, might spread.

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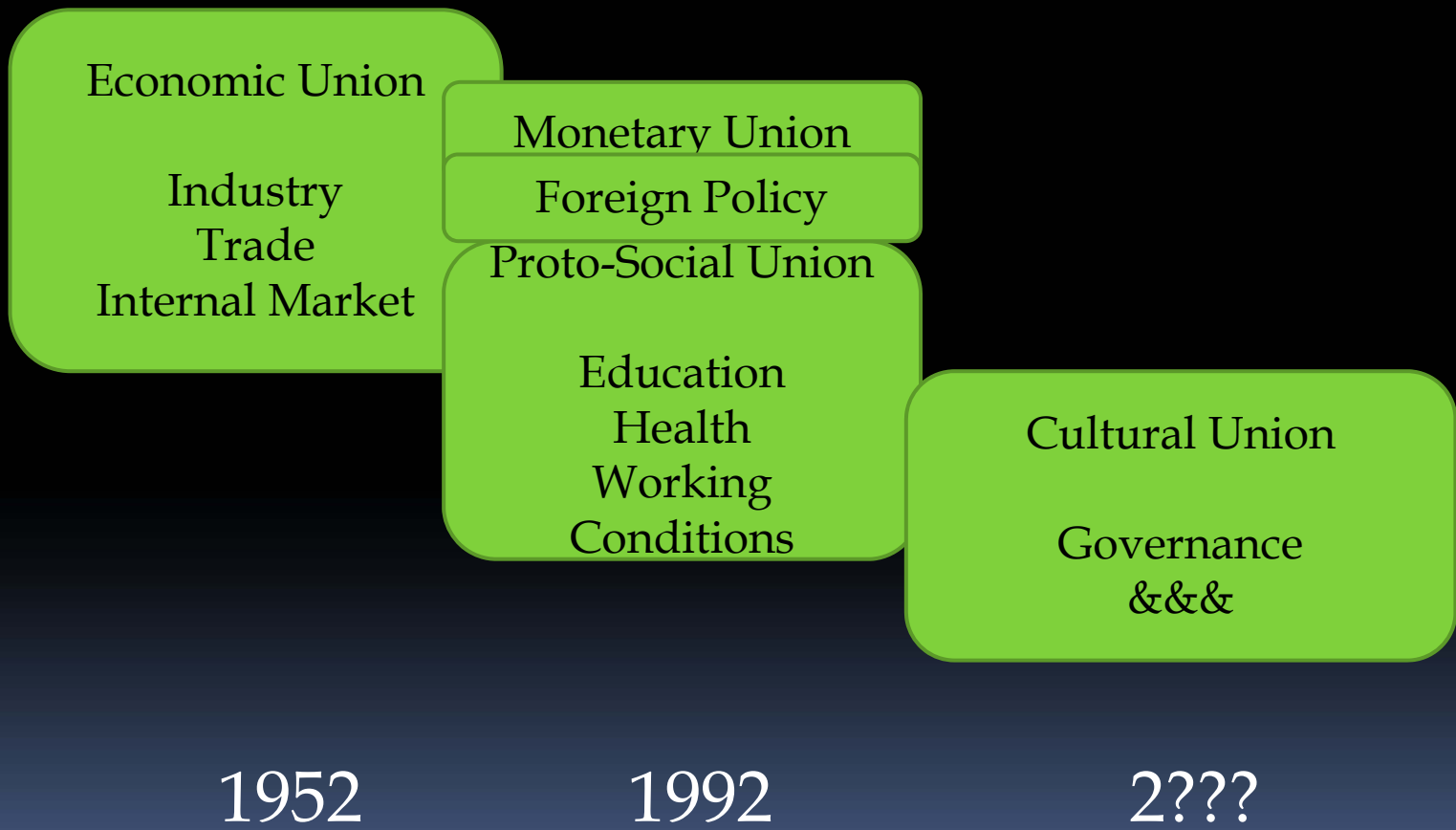
Ίσως είναι η ώρα που οι Ευρωπαίοι θα εντοπίσουν τους υπεύθυνους για τον κατακερματισμό και τη μετατροπή της Ευρώπης σε Ευρωαβία. Ίσως είναι καιρός, ιδιαίτερα σε μια εποχή της παγκοσμιοποίησης, να αναγνωρίσουμε τους περιορισμούς μιας οικονομικής και υλιστικής θεώρησης της πολιτικής. Έτσι ώστε οι πολύτιμες αξίες της ανθρωπότητας, τις οποίες η Ευρώπη ακόμη και κατά τις πιο σκοτεινές περιόδους της ιστορίας της πάντοτε ήθελε να διατηρήσει, να μπορέσουν να εξαπλωθούν.



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Framing the European Union





YES!

globalisation

NO



Threats to cultural diversity in the EU, a sample of incidents

- The 'Los' case - *language versus multinational company*
- EPSO recruitment - *EU staff reduced to 3 languages*
- Eurovision festival - *European popular music*
- Bologna Declaration – *harmonisation for mobility*
- Greece 2015 - *looking through the euro curtain*
- TTIP EU-US – *facilitating trade and investment*



Unity and Diversity in the European Treaties

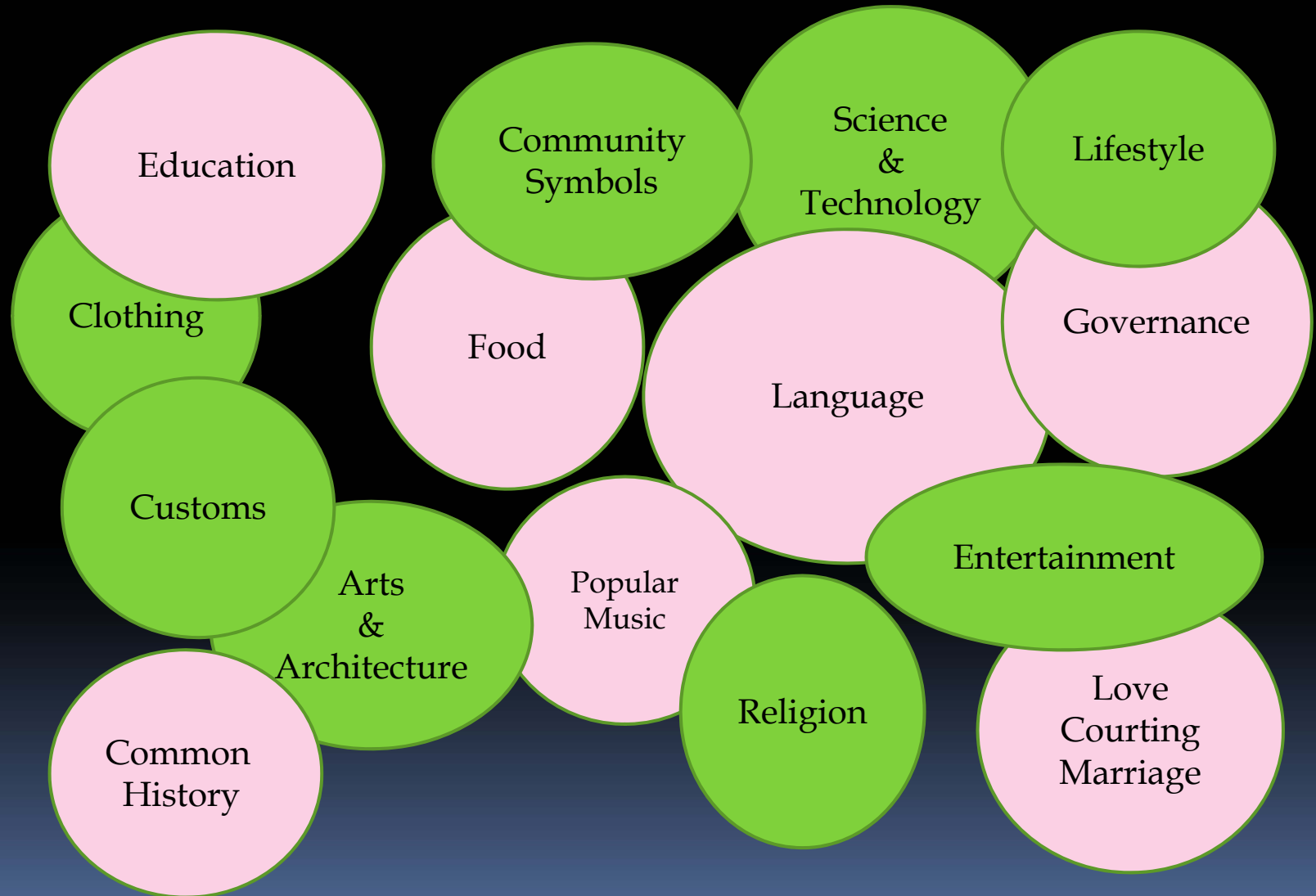
The High Representatives of the Member States,


DESIRING to deepen the solidarity between
their peoples while respecting their history,
their culture and their tradition

References to Culture in the 1992 Maastricht Treaty

- The Community shall contribute to the flowering of the cultures of the Member States, while respecting their national and regional diversity and at the same time bringing the common cultural heritage to the fore.
- The Community shall respect its rich cultural and linguistic diversity, and shall ensure that Europe's cultural heritage is safeguarded and enhanced.
- The Community shall take cultural aspects into account in its action under other provisions of this Treaty

The many aspects of Culture





Next Steps towards a European Cultural Union

In academia, in civil society organisations, in political parties, discuss the option of a Cultural Union to balance and complete the European project

Please go out and spread the message