

# European Union



Your primary responsibility is to safeguard the territorial integrity of all European Union member states and the solidarity of the union. Secondary responsibilities include: ensuring the free passage of Russian energy resources to Europe while simultaneously decreasing EU dependence through the deregulation of oil and gas markets in EU member states; preventing the exposure of fissures in the union and coherence of explicit regional factions; inducing Turkey and the Balkan nations to stem the flow of refugees into Europe; continuing to advocate for a Europe 'Whole and Free'; and retaining the union's clean energy agenda.

Economic hardship in Russia and a growing transparency in European energy markets are giving you greater heft in bilateral negotiations with Moscow. Now is the time to reduce markedly your dependence on imported energy and to regularize relations with neighbors, including the unbiased implementation of Schengen border controls (non-permissive visa regime). Your relations with Moscow should be 'correct', not perform 'friendly'. Russia must not be allowed to be an obstacle to a Europe 'Whole and Free'.

Remember to take into account the goals and perspective of your arguably most powerful member state, Germany. Berlin broadly supports Lithuania and Poland in their efforts to enforce the rule of law with respect to Kaliningrad. Its 'de facto' position of leadership within the EU make it especially sensitive to the coherence of regional blocs in the union. Germany remains committed to a nuclear-free energy policy.

## Goals:

- Maintain the territorial integrity of EU member states and the solidarity of the union
- Prevent the subjugation of the Baltic States and Poland to Russia
- Ensure the free passage of Russian oil and gas to Europe while decreasing dependence through deregulation of the oil and gas markets in EU member states
- Prevent the exposure of fissures in the union and coherence of explicit regional factions
- Induce Turkey and the Balkan nations to stem the flow of illegal refugees into the EU
- Continue to advocate for a Europe 'Whole and Free'
- Retain the EU's clean energy agenda