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*Notre Europe and the European Stability Initiative
are pleased to invite you to the panel discussion*

***The EU External Policies in its vicinity:
Turkey, the Western Balkans and the other neighbours***

**Wednesday, 30 November 2011
5.30 pm – 7.30 pm**

**At the Representation of the European Parliament in France
288 Boulevard Saint-Germain - 75007 Paris**

The EU's vicinity has often been mentioned as the litmus test for the EU's foreign affairs capabilities. How is the EU doing two years after the Lisbon Treaty entered into force and following the Arab Spring? What are the Union's goals in Turkey, the Western Balkans, its East and its South, and are they being reached? Do the foreign policy tools, such as enlargement, the European Neighbourhood Policy, the Union for the Mediterranean and the Eastern Partnership meet the expectations of the neighbouring countries?

These questions will be discussed by:

- **Pierre Beckouche**, Scientific adviser, *Institut de Prospective Economique du Monde méditerranéen* (IPEMED)
- **Michele Comelli**, Senior fellow, *Istituto Affari Internazionali* (IAI)
- **Gerald Knaus**, President, European Stability Initiative (ESI)
- **Terkel Petersen**, Desk Officer, European External Action Service (EEAS)
- **Nicu Popescu**, Senior Research Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR)

Moderation: **Sami Andoura**, Senior Research Fellow, *Notre Europe*

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