

Review of: "The EU's Capacity for Enlargement: Does It Matter?"

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The EU's Capacity for Enlargement: Does it Matter?

A worthy, high-quality analysis at the 'technical' level. The author manages to capture all the major variables that appertain to the topic and the question raised by the title of the paper, namely: **The EU's Capacity for Enlargement: Does it Matter?**

Perhaps it would be to the article's interest if the author were to add more detail around issues of national sovereignty inside a confederation such as the EU—seeing the EU is not a nation, as the author rightly notes. These issues cannot simply be explained by reference to: "...strengthening [of] empirical research rather than leaving the concept to political prejudice." So, maybe the author could explain what 'political prejudice' means apropos national issues and potential national threats that could be the result of expansion; more so, potential threats to militarily and demographically weaker members. Overall, a commendable piece.

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