

## **NEO EDITORIAL**

The experimentation is truly revealing. Go and check the term « Europe » on Wikipedia, the online encyclopaedia made by internet users. You'll immediately see an advertisement in big letters: "this article is controversial" ...

Not much of a surprise. Just geographically speaking, defining Europe has always been problematic because of the lack of clear Eastern ground boundaries. Additionally, the definition has to take into account confusing cultural data and thorny political questions emerging from this issue ...

From the Federal Europe to the Europe of Nations, through the Financial or Social Europe, everybody is just thinking about itself and sees darkness, maybe even obscurantism in the ideas from the other side of the fence.

The fact it is complicated does not mean it is not attractive, that is exactly the opposite; usually the most complicated girls are often the most glamorous ones. Zeus himself could not resist. We all know the story: laying eyes on the young princess named Europe while she was playing with her friends, he immediately fell in love with her. In order to escape from the fierce jealousy of his wife, Hera, Zeus transformed himself in a bright white bull and went near the belle. Europe sat astride the back of this moon-shaped horned animal which ran to Crete. On the island, after turning back into his natural shape, Zeus gave her tree children.

Ovide, Horace, Titien, Véronèse... painters or writers, many artists illustrated their own vision of the myth.

But Europe could call up another legend, a biblical one this time: the Tower of Babel. When men decided to touch the sky, God, offended by such pride prevented them from realising their project by giving them different languages in which they could not understand each other.

But let's continue building our tower. The objective is obviously not to challenge God but to prove that in spite of the cultural and linguistic differences we can build beautiful things together. British, German, French, Romanian, Poles, Spanish, Italian people, and several other peoples...

The question is absolutely not about defying God and touching the sky. It just lies on bettering relations between human beings on our good old Earth, or at least our good old Europe...

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