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My opinion about the EU
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Translation
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What springs to mind if I say the EU?	
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I think of a lot of big, expensive buildings -	
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- and a lot of men in suits receiving huge salaries.	
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Community.	
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That's what it's here for.	
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It's community, cooperation.	
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To me, the EU is a gigantic democracy project -	
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- offering lots of opportunities.	
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I think it's exciting. It's nice that borders are opened.	
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You can cross when you want to. I definitely feel I'm part of Europe.	
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You can go where ever you want to in Europe.	
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You can have a job and study.
Doesn't that appeal to you?

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Yes, but ...

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I just don't want to
study in other places.

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Of course it's nice
to be able to travel freely, -

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- but ... I don't feel I belong
in other places than in Denmark.

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I feel I'm a Dane in Europe.

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I'm Danish.

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I'd even say
I'm a Southern Jutlander.

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But European ...
It still seems a bit distant.

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What would you like
the EU to become?

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I don't know.

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I don't want it to be
much different from what it is now.

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I don't want it to be like the USA.

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That would be too much.

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Now they say we are to have a common security policy.	
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And I don't agree.	
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So far all European countries have had their own security policies.	
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And it should stay that way.	
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I don't want us to be like the USA. A huge country with lots of states.	
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Do you see Europe like a competitor to the USA as a superpower?	
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No ... I think it's a pity the USA is the only superpower.	
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They could do with some competition.	
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But I don't want to be part of a superpower.	
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What would you like to change?	
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The decision-making processes are very heavy and slow.	
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There's too much bureaucracy in the EU.	
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So we need reforms to simplify the decision-making processes -	

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- and create a more effective EU.

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Should we stay a member?

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Yes, until the day we can
no longer answer for the EU.

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The day it becomes a totalitarian state.

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There's a lot of talk about
the Constitution Treaty.

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And up to a certain point
I'm in favour of it.

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Because it will make us
a counterpart of the USA -

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- so they can't just do what they want.

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The USA is okay,
but they tend to steamroll everybody.

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But if Denmark and Danish sovereignty
cease to exist, -

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- then they can count me out.

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