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Review

'The volume is certainly meant as a wake up call - most contributors agree that at present the EU risks sleep walking to disaster ... Cue for a follow-up volume I think, a process to which the commentaries, expertly edited by Julia Slupska, Research Assistant at the LSE, mark a welcome first step.' Richard Bellamy, *Verfassungsblog* (www.verfassungsblog.de)

'As stated in its preface, this impressive collection of essays has the ambitious aim of launching a 'fundamental debate' about European integration in the wake of the crisis and, in particular, the institutional reforms and policy choices made since 2008.' Maurizio Ferrera, *Verfassungsblog* (www.verfassungsblog.de)

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'The subtitle of this book, Adjusting to European Diversity, could be the slogan of a new endeavour, not to destroy the EU, but to revitalise it. Christian Joerges (*Eurocrats ...* 299 et seq.) has given a very convincing overview of different paradigms of government and governance in the EU ... We have to think 'outside of the box!' And this is what the authors of the *The End of the Eurocrats' Dream* have done well.' Karl-Heinz Ladeur, *Verfassungsblog* (www.verfassungsblog.de)

'The End of the Eurocrats' Dream is ... a wake-up call warning fellow academics, European politicians and the general public that what used to be presented by many advocates and agents of European integration as a wonderful dream is now often experienced as a nightmare with potentially disastrous effects for European and national politics in all countries of the EU.' Jói Þóibá-, *Verfassungsblog* (www.verfassungsblog.de)

'This edited volume is a powerful attempt at addressing the challenges (of European integration). It brings together contributions from a wide range of renowned academics from across Europe (if not beyond) and various disciplines from law to philosophy, with a stopover in political science. The authors examine several dimensions of European integration placed under strain in recent years, ranging from the monetary union, fiscal policy to concerns for citizenship.' Elise Muir, *Verfassungsblog* (www.verfassungsblog.de)

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