

**Introduction by Dr Vassos Lyssarides for the lecture on “*The European Fulfilment and its Effect on the Cyprus Question*», organized by the Lyssarides Foundation**  
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I consider it a privilege to introduce Dame Pauline Green. Our Pauline.

I consider her as the most appropriate person to analyse the European perspectives as she has played a protagonistic role for a number of years as head of the European Socialist Group.

I also recollect that her office was a permanent exhibition of Cyprus. Its problems and its beautice.

The moment is oportune. The democratic deficit is there.

The unity is still incomplete.

The cohesion which was a main scope is not effective.

The insistence on principles is still missing.

Tolerance toward behaviors which are contrary to the acquis communautaire convey a negative picture.

But I am not going to deal with all these matters.

Pauline will do so.