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NATO & ESDP: Institutional arrangements and political realities

Abstract:

It is often said that relations between the two main security entities in Europe are dysfunctional. Turkey has succeeded for years in blocking greater cooperation between NATO and ESDP. But the institutional arrangements (blocked at the higher level but working well on the ground) are only a small problem compared with the political issues. As the debate on NATO's new strategic concept has revealed, the US and the EU have very different perceptions of NATO's purpose. It is far easier to reach consensus on the operationalisation of ESDP than of NATO. What is the future for these two entities in the post-Lisbon era?

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