

## AMENDMENT FORM

### Suggestion for amendment of Article : 1

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#### **Article 1: Establishment of the Union**

1. Reflecting the will of the peoples and the States of Europe to build a common future, this Constitution establishes a Union **of citizens, peoples and states** within which the policies of the Member States shall be coordinated, and which shall administer certain common competences **in accordance with the Constitution**.
2. The Union shall respect the national identities of its Member States.
3. The Union shall be open to all European States whose **citizens and** peoples share the same values, respect them and are committed to promoting them together.

#### **Explanation:**

*We suggest the future name of the European Union to be ‘Union of citizens, peoples and states’.*

*We are of opinion, that the European Union as a Union of prosperity, economic opportunities and the rule of law is primarily designed for an individual – whichever citizen of the member state – and not only for the particular peoples or states.*

*Considering the bad experiences Republic of Slovenia has had with former federal state, we suggest a motion for amendment, which abolishes the text of the Treaty establishing a constitution for Europe in the part which provides that Union shall exercise certain common competences on a federal basis.*

*Due to the possibility of defining the form of integration on the basis of its contents and thus avoid the use of the notion, that could cause sensitivities among those accession countries, that have already had experiences with federal model as a basis of integration of states, we find it reasonable to abolish the unnecessary part of the text “on federal basis”.*

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**Explanation (if any) :**