The Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence, a partnership with Florida International University, and the Jean Monnet Chair of the University of Miami, cordially invite you to a seminar:

The State of the Union (s):
Comparative regional integration and the EU model

When: Friday, February 24, 2012
Where: UM School of Business, AGB 431

The dramatic events of 2011 in the context of the European Union have forced analysts and scholars to reflect about what kind of entity the EU will become in the next decade. Simultaneously, regional political integration and cooperation have been developing at a fast pace around the globe, creating great expectations and much confusion. The latest decisions of the EU Council have opened the door to an unknown chapter of European history. Consequently, the EU model or reference has suffered the impact of these factors and presents today a different face than decades ago and offers somewhat different challenges to be met.

A set of questions dominate the news scene:
• What is the state of the Union(s)?
• Where is the EU going?
• How does the rest of the world understand regional integration?
• What are the consequences and impact on international business?
• Is the EU model, along normative and “soft” power, still valid?
• What standard or new theories can best deal with the new realities?

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