

Wednesday, 14 December 2011 - Strasbourg

Explanation of vote:

Relazione: Mário David, Marek Siwiec ([A7-0400/2011](#))

Pino Arlacchi (S&D), in writing . – I voted for this report because I believe that the review of the European neighbourhood policy creates an opportunity for the EU to meet its objectives and to acknowledge the mistakes of EU and Member States' policy with regard, in particular, to the complacent approach towards the former tyrannies of the southern neighbourhood. It is fundamental to stress that the ENP is based on shared values such as democracy, the rule of law, the fight against corruption and good governance.

We must consider that it is in the highest interest of the EU to be ambitious in economic cooperation to support the defence of human rights. I also agree on the necessity to improve the role of the European Parliament and to insist on the need to systematically include civil-society organisations at all stages of the review process.

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