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About the Debate

On May 15, 2013 the first TV-debate between all leading candidates for the Presidency of European Commission, the “Eurovision Debate” took place. Participating candidates were Jean-Claude Juncker (EPP), Martin Schulz (PES), Guy Verhofstadt (ALDE), Ska Keller (European Greens) and Alexis Tsipras (PEL). Starting on 21:00 (CET) in the European Parliament, candidates had to answer the questions of presenter Monica Maggioni (TV-channel RAI, Italy) and her colleague Conor McNally (TV-channel RTÉ, Ireland). 49 TV stations, 39 websites and 10 radio channels provided live coverage of the debate across whole Europe. Voters offered their comments via social media (Hashtag #TellEUROPE).

The “Eurovision Debate” was only one of – in total – seven debates, that were broadcasted across whole Europe (see figure 1 and figure 2). For more information see <http://www.eurovisiondebate.tv/#>.

Remarks

In this working paper we present the exact wording of the “Eurovision Debate”. Statements of candidates and hosts are divided into 5-second-units. Furthermore, we include some paralinguistic characteristics as follows:¹

- (is) incomprehensible statement
- ^ paraverbal insertion (äh, öh, ömm etc.)
- short break
- long break
- [simultaneous speaking
- „...“ verifiable quote
- ,...‘ analogous quote

¹ Following a systematic of paraverbal elements developed by Josef Klein (1990): *Elefantenrunden ,Drei Tage vor der Wahl‘: Die ARD-ZDF-Gemeinschaftssendung 1972-1987*, Baden-Baden, Teil II: Texte, page I.

Figure 1: Debate and Candidate-Overview

Duell-No.	Debate Title	Date	No. of Cand.	Candidate 1 (Party)	Candidate 2 (Party)	Candidate 3 (Party)	Candidate 4 (Party)	Candidate 5 (Party)
1	Débat entre Jean-Claude Juncker et Martin Schulz	09.04.2014	2	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	---	---	---
2	Europe's Choice - The First European Presidential Debate	28.04.2014	4	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	Guy Verhofstadt (ALDE)	Ska Keller (EFA)	---
3	'Big Crunch' Presidential Debate	29.04.2014	2	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	Guy Verhofstadt (ALDE)	Ska Keller (EFA)	---
4	Das TV-Duell zur Europawahl	08.05.2014	2	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	---	---	---
5	Lo stato dell'Unione - In Confronto	09.05.2014	4	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	Guy Verhofstadt (ALDE)	José Bové (EFA)	---
6	Eurovision Debate	15.05.2014	5	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	Guy Verhofstadt (ALDE)	Ska Keller (EFA)	Alexis Tsipras (EL)
7	Die Wahlarena	20.05.2014	2	Jean-Claude Juncker (EVP)	Martin Schulz (S&D)	---	---	---

Figure 2: Mediadata of Debates

Duell-No.	Debate Title	Air Time (CET)	Days until election	No. of TV-Channels	Broadcasting TV-Channels	Record Place	Language	Presenter	Audience present
1	Débat entre Jean-Claude Juncker et Martin Schulz	17.10 - 17.50	46 days	2	FRANCE 24, RFI	Bruxelles, EP	french	Caroline de Camaret, Dominique Baillard	no
2	Europe's Choice - The First European Presidential Debate	19.00 - 20.33	27 days	1	Euronews (Webstream)	Maastricht	english	Isabelle Kumar, Chris Burns	yes
3	'Big Crunch' Presidential Debate	19.00 - 20.33	26 days	15	Euranet Plus	Brüssel	english	Brian McGuire, Ahinara B. López	yes
4	Das TV-Duell zur Europawahl	14.30 - 15.54	17 days	2	ORF2, ZDF	Berlin	german	Ingrid Thurnherr, Peter Frey	no
5	Lo stato dell'Unione - In Confronto	20.15 - 21.45	16 days	1	RAI NEWS 24	Florence	english	Tony Barber, Monica Maggioni	yes
6	Eurovision Debate	18.30 - 20.00	10 days	49	European Broadcasting Union	Bruxelles, EP	english + simultaneous translation	Monica Maggioni, Conor McNally	yes
7	Die Wahlarena	21.00 - 22.30	5 days	1	ARD	Hamburg	german	Andreas Cichowicz, Sonia S. Mickich	yes

Transcript

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:00:00						<i>(Applause of the audience)</i>
00:00:05						<i>(Applause of the audience)</i>
00:00:10						<i>(Applause of the audience)</i>
00:00:15						<i>(Applause of the audience)</i>
00:00:20						MAGGIONI: Good evening. Good evening Europe. I'm Monica Maggioni. McNALLY: And I am Conor McNally. Welcome to a Eurovision
00:00:25						First. MAGGIONI: Thank you. Thank you everybody
00:00:30						Tonight, tonight we are live more than thirty countries on TV,
00:00:35						On the internet and on the Radio. With us are

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:00:35						the five main candidates to
00:00:40						be president of the European Commission.
00:00:45						It is their chance to tell 400 Million voters
00:00:50						why they should get Europe's biggest job. Why? Because
00:00:55						your vote will help decide which of them becomes the next president
00:01:00						of the European Commission. McNALLY: We are live from the European Parliament in Bruxelles.
00:01:05						Tonight you will play a key role in the debate by tweeting the issues that matter to
00:01:10						you, using the hashtag tell Europe.

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00:01:10						MAGGIONI: Before we start, here are
00:01:15						the rules for tonight. The candidates will have only one minute to
00:01:20						reply to each question. They will have three opportunities to combat with thirty seconds
00:01:25						of rebutal. We ask the candidates to speak English to facilitate
00:01:30						translation into twenty-three other languages. Three of them have agreed to do so.
00:01:35						The order in which the candidates speak was decided in a throw earlier today.
00:01:40						But before we start with our debate
00:01:45						let me give the floor to

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:01:45						Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament.
00:01:50						for a short remembrance of Jean-Luc Dehaene.
		Thank you very much.				
00:01:55		Ladies and gentlemen, today suddenly our colleague Jean-Luc Dehaene died.				
00:02:00		He was an outstanding member of the European Parliament and a long serving Prime Minister of Belgium.				
00:02:05		His successor, Guy Verhofstadt is with us here that would like to ask Guy				
00:02:10		to honor for a short moment ^ his predecessor				
00:02:15		and this outstanding member of the Parliament.Guy.				

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00:02:20			I want to open this debate by paying tribute, ladies and gentlemen,			
00:02:25			to a colleague of us, Jean-Luc Dehaene, who passed away today. And Jean Claude Junker			
00:02:30			and myself were his colleagues ^ in the European			
00:02:35			Council. And I can tell you, he was a great European, a great statesman.			
00:02:40			He was also the ^^ Vice-president of the Convention together			
00:02:45			with Valérie Giscard d'Estaing and with Giuliano Amato and that was also the			
00:02:50			way the Lissabon Treaty ^ was born. And was somebody who			
00:02:55			was always using the			

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:02:55			truth and ^			
00:03:00			who was really saying things who were not always popular. But he had the courage to			
00:03:05			do so. So my request to you, all of you, is to dedicate			
00:03:10			this debate to him and to commemorate a great man and a			
00:03:15			great European.			MAGGIONI: Thank you,
00:03:20						--
00:03:25						Thank you, Mister Verhofstadt and we start again from your side
00:03:30						because you are going to be the first one with the right of the opening statement.
00:03:35			Well, thank you very much. Ladies and gentlemen, these are			One Minute is yours.

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00:03:40			crucial elections and I know every time, when there are elections, politicians			
00:03:45			are saying that, that they are crucial. But this time it is true.			
00:03:50			We are with our European continent and European Union on a crossroad. We need to make ^			
00:03:55			a very important choice. Or the choice to go back to			
00:04:00			our old nationstates as some of the candidates are proposing			
00:04:05			or to going forward in a sense of a more integrated Europe.			
00:04:10			And I think the choice is obvious if you want to solve problems like			
00:04:15			climate change, like unemployment, like ^bad financial			

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00:04:15			products			
00:04:20			coming from the other side of the ocean. We need European cooperation. We need			
00:04:25			a European Union who is stronger and who can defend his model			
00:04:30			against China, against India, against the US. Europe is a chance			
00:04:35			to regain sovereignty for our people and for our citizens.			
						Thank you so much.
00:04:40						--
00:04:45						We go to the other side of the row and I give the floor to Alexis Tsipras.
00:04:50					--	
00:04:55					I am Alexis Tsipras. I'm from Greece for the European left party.	
00:05:00					The country which	

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00:05:00					has been chosen as the ^	
00:05:05					guinea pig for this economic experiment. This is something	
00:05:10					which is not affected or been afflicting any other country in the	
00:05:15					continent. And I'd like to just say a word to the candidates who have supported	
00:05:20					our whole program and say that what happened in Greece	
00:05:25					is that a success or is it which must be replicated	
00:05:30					or is it a greek tragedy which must not be replicated anywhere else. We want to call out	
00:05:35					to, to reach out to citizens and saying 'support the parties on the left'.	
00:05:40					So that we can put	

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00:05:40					and end to the catastrophic austerity policy and	
00:05:45					win back, restore democracy to Europe. So that we can get back to solidarity,	
00:05:50					social cohesion and democracy, which are the European values.	
00:05:55						And ^ lets give the floor to Jean-Claude Junker.
00:06:00						Your opening statement.
00:06:05	I would like Europe to become a Europe of more solidarity and to put an end to					
00:06:10	the divisions between the north and south. And for us, to continue to consolidate					
00:06:15	our public finances. But also to put growth and jobs					
00:06:20	at the heart of our					

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00:06:20	action. I don't think that we can spend more money than we have.					
00:06:25	We can't replace we need to replace debt by ideas and by					
00:06:30	realizing and achieving the single digital market. I think, we need to be					
00:06:35	strong when we negotiate with the US. We need this Free Trade Treaty					
00:06:40	but we also need to respect European standards,					
00:06:45	I'd like us to establish a European Union of energy					
00:06:50	so that we are no longer dependent on Russia. I'd like Europe to be					
00:06:55	a great Europe, a Europe which can deal with the big					

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00:06:55	issues					
00:07:00	but that will also, that it does not get involved too much in small things. Otherwise that's					
00:07:05	a big problem for us.					
00:07:10						Martin Schulz it's your time for your opening statement.
00:07:15		Thank you very much. We are living in a Europe that				
00:07:20		taxpayers have to pay for speculants ^ speculators. Speculators				
00:07:25		make Millions of profits and don't pay taxes and then they make Billions of losses that taxpayers				
00:07:30		have to pay for them. We live in a European Union where six Million young men and women are				

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00:07:30		unemployed. They are paying with their life-chances and their future for crises				
00:07:35		other people have caused. Therefore, I want a European Union which is				
00:07:40		just and fair, which is putting the interests of ordinary citizens				
00:07:45		first. And therefore my Commission, a Commission by the way				
00:07:50		a genderbalanced one because the inequality between men and women is				
00:07:55		another shame in the European Union, will be a Commission fighting against Tax fraud, tax evasion				
00:08:00		and for employment and life-chances especially for the young generation.				

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00:08:05		That's what I'm standing for and I ask the support for.				Thank you.
00:08:10						--
00:08:15						Ska Keller, with you we close the first (is) of the opening statements.
00:08:20				What I want to tell tonight to this audience here, but		
00:08:25				also to the people who are watching on television or over webstream, is that from 22.		
00:08:30				to 25. of May it's your choice. You decide what direction Europe		
00:08:35				will take. And we Greens and I, we offer an alternative Europe.		
00:08:40				I'm fighting for Europe that cares about people more		
00:08:45				That it cares about banks. A Europe		

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:08:45				where we will revive the European dream of not		
00:08:50				letting anybody fall anymore, of caring for everybody. A social Europe, one of solidarity		
00:08:55				and then one, that it is again at the forefront of fighting climate change,		
00:09:00				because this will also determine our future. I offer an Europe of		
00:09:05				solidarity, of democracy and of the people. That's what I am fighting for.		
00:09:10				And you decide from May 22. to May 25. Here is our		
00:09:15				offer and I really hope that you are gonna be with us, that you are voting and also		
00:09:20				fighting on the streets for a better, for a new		

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00:09:20				Europe.		Thank you.
00:09:25						And --
00:09:30						Here I see, I see Connor again because I think, you are going to explain us how
00:09:35						you at home could be with us tonight through social media. McNALLY: [Absolutly, Monica.
00:09:40						So on the screen here you can see our tell Europe social media hub
00:09:45						our Eurovision editors are coordinating an international team of experts from public service
00:09:50						radio and TV from across Europe. They are working hard right now ^

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00:09:55						engaging with people ^ on the web. We have social media editors
00:10:00						here tonight from Austria, France, Finland, Italy, Spain and the UK. Many more
00:10:05						are working with us online, including public service media from the Czech Republic, Germany, Ireland, Slovenia and
00:10:10						elsewhere. We are not only inviting citizens from all across the European
00:10:15						Union to have their say. We are watching and listening to you as well. I can tell you
00:10:20						there is already a lot of activity. I'll bring you more details on that shortly but already Europe's

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00:10:25						economy is a major talking point. Monica. MAGGIONI: Yes. And this is exactly why in our
00:10:30						first group of questions we will start from economy, economy. So
00:10:35						again, the first one to speak will be Ska Keller and the question is:
00:10:40						More than five million young people are out of work. How would
00:10:45						you as Commission President give them back their future?
00:10:50				I think the question of youth unemployment is exactly that what we need to put		
00:10:55				on the top of the agenda. And I as a Commission President would absolutely do so.		

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00:10:55				Because we		
00:11:00				cannot have a European Union where all of a generation is being lost and where		
00:11:05				people loof their^ loose their faith and their perspective in a better life in future.		
00:11:10				So youth unemployment is what we need to tackle. How do we how are we going to do that.		
00:11:15				I think we can only create sustainable jobs for people in Europe if		
00:11:20				we create a greener economy, a more sustainable economy. Because in		
00:11:25				the areas of renewable energy, of energy efficiency, but also in education and health		

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00:11:30				that's where the jobs lie that are going to be with us for 20 or for 50 years		
00:11:35				and those jobs are also creating a real benefit for the society. But they also have		
00:11:40				to create good quality jobs for people. And very important: young people did not cause		
00:11:45				this crisis. We have to give them a much greater say in order		
00:11:50				to prevent future ones.		Alexis Tsipras. How are you going to address this issue?
00:11:55					--	
00:12:00					Thank you. Well, we continue with the	
00:12:05					disastrous policy of austerity we are never going to solve	
00:12:10					the unemployment problem. Let's not kid	

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00:12:10					ourselves. Because we are seeing structural unemployment -	
00:12:15					and -- the	
00:12:20					we have found the EU has found liquidity and to	
00:12:25					recapitalize banks. But we have not been able to find the money to go into	
00:12:30					providing people with ^ young people with jobs. And we must go forward with generous	
00:12:35					^ solutions for Europe, a European new deal.	
00:12:40					A new deal on employment which will be by means of	
00:12:45					development and growth. The disastrous policy of austerity	
00:12:50					is no way to address the big problem facing Europe which is	

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00:12:50					unemployment,	
00:12:55					which is a marginalisation as well and especially youth unemployment	
00:13:00					which is taking on explosive ^ dimensions, especially in the south.	
00:13:05		Six million young people, around six million				MAGGIONI: more than five millions. So how are you going to work that.
00:13:10		young men and women perhaps the best educated generation we ever had in our continent are				
00:13:15		unemployed. And in those countries where the unemployment rate is highest we				

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00:13:15		have the				
00:13:20		problem that ^ the backbone of the economy there, small and medium enterprises				
00:13:25		have no access to credits. Banks are getting money for ^ 0.25 % from the ECB				
00:13:30		and are not investing in real economy. They are once more speculating.				
00:13:35		A microcredit programm of my Commission for small and medium enterprises				
00:13:40		in those countries, where the unemployment rate is highest, by combining the				
00:13:45		funds of the European Union with the money of the European Investment Banks for				

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00:13:45		SMEs				
00:13:50		for small and medium enterprises, and those who employ young men and women will get a privilege				
00:13:55		on the interest rates or the reimbursement time. This is a project to relaunch				
00:14:00		economy on one hand by supporting small and medium enterprises and				
00:14:05		to fight concretely against the unemployment of young people.				
00:14:10						MAGGIONI: Thank you.
						-- Jean-Claude Juncker.
00:14:15	Employment, presupposes jobs					
00:14:20	there is no sustainable employment with					

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00:14:20	healthy					
00:14:25	balanced public finances not in place. So we need to continue					
00:14:30	responsible discipline on public finances without excessive austerity					
00:14:35	since we don't have any money, we have to work on ideas. The single					
00:14:40	market can create ^ 8,5 million jobs					
00:14:45	by a digital single market. And we are looking at stable jobs not					
00:14:50	insecure jobs, solid jobs. Youth mobility					
00:14:55	has to become more easily accessible. Young people need to be					
00:15:00	able to study in several countries. I'd like to see young					

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:15:00	people able to move and					
00:15:05	grasp opportunities where they are.					
00:15:10						MAGGIONI: Here we are. Guy Verhofstedt, what's your vision on this.
00:15:15			- - Well, what I all what I have heard now are the old recipes that didn't work the last five			
00:15:20			years in Europe. So I think that instead of continuing conservative			
00:15:25			recipes or the socialists' recipes where we are making more debt, we need a new approach.			
00:15:30			And a new approach, in my opinion, is to go back to the initial idea of Jaques Delors			
00:15:35			when he launched			

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00:15:35			internal market. Do you, an intelligent socialist, Martin,			
		[(is)				
00:15:40			you are not always intelligent, but he was intelligent. This is true. And I have to tell you			
00:15:45			- -			
00:15:50		(is)				
			^ Well ^ maybe ^ can I have the seconds			
00:15:55			of Mister Schultz now because he is intervening ^but what we want to do is			[(is)
00:16:00			to have a new. OK you ^. What we have to do is to start a new wave			
00:16:05			of integration in the European Union. But in the key markets we have today, capital markets,			
00:16:10			bank, digital, Telekom, energy, that is what we need.			
00:16:15			You think the scale of			

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00:16:15			the European Union to make a new leap forward in the			
00:16:20			integration and having new growth. Like we did in the eighties like			
00:16:25			Delors succeed, we can succeed even this time.			[(is) [Fine. OK.
00:16:30						- And ^ so ^, about recipes
00:16:35						^ Governments in Europe very often claim that austerity measures are working.
00:16:40						But with so many people out of work, is the medicine killing the patient?
00:16:45						Would you have done something in a different way? Ska Keller.
00:16:50				Absolutely. I think austerity is just bringing us deeper and deeper into the		

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00:16:50				crisis		
00:16:55				We now have 26, 27 Million people unemployed. And just over		
00:17:00				the austerity years more than 6 Million jobs have been actually lost. So it's very clear that		
00:17:05				the recipe of austerity has not worked, it has just worsened the situation. We		
00:17:10				have to overcome that. Instead of austerity we have to invest into the economy		
00:17:15				but into a greener economy. Because we need to create sustainable jobs, jobs that will		
00:17:20				still be there in a couple of decades and jobs that give good quality life for		

Time-code	Juncker	Schulz	Verhofstadt	Keller	Tsipras	Presenters
00:17:20				people		
00:17:25				And that, I really believe, can only happen if we invest for example in renewable energy		
00:17:30				in energy efficiency, and education and health. Unfortunately we missed the chance		
00:17:35				in the last multi-annual financial framework, the long-term budget of the European Union, where we have		
00:17:40				been proposing more green investments but unfortunately we didn't find a support from the conservatives		
00:17:45				and the social democratic group, because I think this would be the right way forward. Investment is the		
00:17:50				keyword, not		

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00:17:50				austerity.		- And what's your
00:17:55					--	position, Alexis Tsipras.
00:18:00					First of all can I say that Guy's ideas	
00:18:05					^ perhaps he thinks they are new but I think they are very old indeed. They were the	
00:18:10					ideas that got us into this crisis. They were the ones which caused the problem in 2009.	
00:18:15					They were the ones which caused the bubble in the US	
00:18:20					and they were the ones which through this crisis management ^ we've ended up with the	
00:18:25					Europe that we have, with all the big dangers. We have to begin with social	

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00:18:25					cohesion and jobs	
00:18:30					and development. We have to stop with recessions, stop with austerity and	
00:18:35					we must stop with this paranoia of debt.	
00:18:40					We have got to give that a european dimension and think, do something along the lines	
00:18:45					of what happened with Germany in 1953 with a moment of solidarity	
00:18:50					when a huge chunk of that debt was cancelled - and where	
00:18:55					there was a growth clause built into the ^ what happened after that.	
00:19:00					And as we do that we have to rerun that from 1953. Otherwise we are going to end up	

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00:19:05					with depression and recession.	Martin Schulz.
00:19:10		- I would have done things things absolutely				
00:19:15		differently. The combination between budgetary discipline on one hand which is inavoidable				
00:19:20		and necessary and strategic investment in growth and employment that was				
00:19:25		the better way. We have only unilateraly cut in public budget with the message, you				
00:19:30		must only cut and immediately the trust of investors ^ you will get back. Visibly,				
00:19:35		it didn't happen. What we have to never discussed is the fight against				

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00:19:40		tax evasion and tax fraud. One billion Euro every year the memberstates loose by tax fraud and				
00:19:45		tax evasion. So (is) cut on one hand, but to fight against tax fraud and tax evasion				
00:19:50		that would be my way because we can't only speak about cut				
00:19:55		we also must speak about the revenue side of the public budget and about growth.				
00:20:00		Investments in the digital agenda, investments in the grids for energy supply are important.				
00:20:05		And the last seconds I give back to Guy Verhofstadt because I interrupted him.	[(is)			
00:20:10						MAGGIONI: Very fair of yours. So

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00:20:10						let's move
00:20:15						Let's move to Jean-Claude Juncker. Being five years back would you do the same?
00:20:20	--					
00:20:25	Well this is an easy and difficult question at the same time. Everyone is speaking as if they were					
00:20:30	hearing of these problems for the first time today. The Liberals, the Socialists and the Christian Democrats were					
00:20:35	the ones who managed the crisis. Obviously we need to stand back and look at the management					
00:20:40	of it now. But the Socialists and the Liberals and the Christian Democrats					
00:20:45	were working together on it. Of course					

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00:20:45	investment is necessary. Why does Europe not invest enough?					
00:20:50	Well, because our budgets don't allow us to do that. And budgets don't allow us to do that because we have					
00:20:55	built up debt and deficits. Those who do that					
00:21:00	need - need to do ^					
00:21:05	are ^ preventing ^future forward looking investments					
00:21:10	to take place. We have to put public finances in order first.					
00:21:15			[I ^ I want I want also to react to			Guy Verhofstadt. One Minute or five.
00:21:20			those who are saying that ^ it is not necessary to have fiscal discipline. You need fiscal discipline			

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00:21:20			otherwise you cannot			
00:21:25			have growth on the midterm and the longterm. There is proof of that in all parts of			
00:21:30			the world. But next to that and that's true and that has been forgotten the last five years			
00:21:35			You need a new strategy of growth. And growth that means not			
00:21:40			making new debts because we cannot afford ourselves. If you have most of the countries,			
00:21:45			more than 100% debt, it's not their budget who shall create new investment. You have to do			
00:21:50			it in a more intelligent way. And a more intelligent way is to			

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00:21:50			use the size of			
00:21:55			Europe, this enormous market of 500 million. Let me give you one example. Digital.			
00:22:00			We have already discussed about digital. If ^ in America, Apple, wants to start with a new product, they			
00:22:05			go to the four main operators, they have a deal and they start immediately			
00:22:10			to spread the new product. If we have to do it, we need in 28			
00:22:15			different countries 100 operators to do it. And that's the reason why they have			
00:22:20			google, facebook, twitter, apple, microsoft, what are all american companies.			
00:22:25			And we need still to			

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00:22:25			do that. [(is)			[^ Your time is over. Even with the 5 seconds that
00:22:30						^ you used them, you used them. But I'm seeing by the way. By the way
00:22:35				Yes. Im using my first bluecard,		I've seen Ska Keller ^ asking for a rebuttal. So
00:22:40				my first joker ^ in this because Mr. Junker and Mr. Verhofstadt, have been bringing up the issue of		
00:22:45				the debt is the problem. But if we look in Spain at Spain		
00:22:50				Spain had a budget surplus before the banking-crisis. It was the debt of the		
00:22:55				banks that were actually put on the shoulders of the taxpayers. On the		

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00:22:55				shoulders		
00:23:00				of the state-budget. So I think we ^ we have to go in there we have to stop speculation, we		
00:23:05				have to make sure that banks rescue themselves rather than us telling taxpayers		
00:23:10				they have to re^rescue the banks rather than states rescuing the banks. That, I think, is the big flaw on this crisis.		
00:23:15			[(is.) [Maybe I can use my 30 seconds?			These were your 30 seconds. And you go and use your joker as well.
00:23:20			[Thank you. Well, simply to say that I agree with Ska Keller, but			Go ahead.
00:23:25			we did something on the European level the last years. We			

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00:23:25			made the banking-union.			
00:23:30			For the first time, with the banking-union, it shall be banks themselves based on their risk-profile			
00:23:35			which shall contribute to the fund so they recapitalise banks. And not longer taxpayers.			
00:23:40			It's a good example and Mr. Barnier is there - in the meeting room.			
00:23:45			And I want to say ^ fantastic what you did on financial regulation.			
00:23:50			Fantastic what you did on the banking-union, because it is not longer taxpayers who shall pay			
00:23:55			the bill today.	[Well the.....(is) is a green success.		[5 seconds - over

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00:24:00						Very good exchange. And let me tell you that you are
00:24:05						exactly in the middle of our next question.
00:24:10						So you are going to have the chance to say on this because in the social media
00:24:15						these days there is a lot about this. But before we switch to the next question
00:24:20						Alexis Tsipras. --
00:24:25						Now someone is telling me something that we should definitely (is)
00:24:30					-- What subject? Have you asked me a question yet?	
00:24:35						You have react to the same question all over to now, I think so. I think
00:24:40						we go we move to the next question and

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00:24:40						than we decide what to do
00:24:45					Well, I also have a joker. Cause there's plenty more to say not only on this? subject	Yeah,
00:24:50						^ Let's let me tell you something. These days we are a lot in the social networks and what we've just seen.
00:24:55						is that banks and these kind of things are in the middle of the discussions in social networks.
00:25:00						So a lot of people blame banks for the crisis. In your Europe would
00:25:05						bank be more tightly regulated? So, it was again you
00:25:10				Yes, a very clear yes from my side. We do need to regulate		

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00:25:10				banks more clearly.		
00:25:15				And what you have just said about the banking-union, success is like		
00:25:20				That, banks have to stock up more money in order to rescue themselves. That's a green success		
00:25:25				And we also say that we need to have financial reg market regulation for example		
00:25:30				in separating retail from investment banks. So it is not the money, you know,		
00:25:35				of the ^ it's not the earnings of the grandmother or the grandfather who		
00:25:40				get lost in global speculation. That, I think, is very important. We need to regulate financial		
00:25:45				markets. Much closer		

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00:25:45				by the way it's not one billion Euros that we had lost every year ^ through		
00:25:50				finan ^ through tax evasion. It's one trillion Euros every year. Approximately eight percent of		
00:25:55				the European wealth. There, I really think, we have to do something. We cannot tell people		
00:26:00				we're gonna cut their salary when we are not stopping tax evasion and if we are not cutting		
00:26:05				the bonuses of bankers like we have proposed and we have succeeded to do so as Greens in the		
00:26:10				European Parliament.		Alexis Tsipras about the banks. It's yours.
00:26:15					--	

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00:26:20					Thank you very much. It was Guy Verhofstadt later on who was supporting Bail-In programs	
00:26:25					in Europe. After the Bail-Out, which piled all the debt	
00:26:30					on to the taxpayers particularly in the South of the European Union,	
00:26:35					money which will be paid back by the next generation of our children and their children. And now	
00:26:40					we are looking at solutions, which are going to put the burden	
00:26:45					on people who have their deposits in those banks. And I	
00:26:50					think that is more of the same catastrophic logic for Europe. And	
00:26:55					I just wondered as Mr.	

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00:26:55					Junker and Mr. Schulz support that logic. We take a	
00:27:00					different view. We think there must be an overall approach to the debt-problem,	
00:27:05					so that can ^ so the banks could be put onto a sound basis, a healthy basis	
00:27:10					which will mean -	
00:27:15					that they can reduce the so-called red debt, which they currently have to pay back.	
00:27:20					Otherwise we gonna be piling debts upon more debts. Thank you very much.	
00:27:25		The banking-union is the first				Martin Schulz, here we are with the bank issue.
00:27:30		we have to break this spiral of banking debts and				

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00:27:35		state debts. Some of our member countries were very stable				
00:27:40		in their ^ budgets and in their ^ (is) debt until the banking				
00:27:45		crisis arrived. We saw this disaster in Ireland. Saw the disaster in Spain.				
00:27:50		And therefore to regulate banks and the banking-union is				
00:27:55		what we achieved now, first steps. They must put on the more control and especially				
00:28:00		a risk and responsibility has to bring back to one hand.				
00:28:05		What happened in the past was, the banks took the risks and				
00:28:10		the taxpayers the responsibilities. And therefore, to put the banks in front of their				

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00:28:10		responsibility				
00:28:15		and to force them ^ to -				
00:28:20		take their responsibility for the disaster they created in Europe				
00:28:25		is the next step the European Parliament and the European Commission have to undertake				
00:28:30		and what was missing is ^ that Michel Barnier in the Commission				[It's over.
00:28:35		was sufficiently supported to go further than he could go. And therefore, my Commission will				[Really.
00:28:40		control the banks much severe than in the past (is)				[Thank you. ^ We - definitely too long
00:28:45						Jean Claude Junker. -
00:28:50	(is)					(is)
00:28:55	- I don't want to spend					

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00:28:55	our time discussing how the world was.					
00:29:00	Things have changed thanks to Michel Barnier and the Commission. In the banking					
00:29:05	Sector we've reorganised matters. Banks are now responsible. We've bailed out banks					
00:29:10	not for the sake of the bankers.					
00:29:15	I don't care about that. We tried to protect savers and					
00:29:20	small and medium-sized enterprises who need access to credit. We did this					
00:29:25	because the real economy would have collapsed if the financial system had collapsed					
00:29:30	And I don't accept us saying that we've only					

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00:29:30	applied austerity policies					
00:29:35	That's not right. In the beginning of the crisis 2008, 2009					
00:29:40	we invested 70 to 80 billion Euros to protect a wobbly economy.					
00:29:45	And we have really practised Keynesian Policy right from the					
00:29:50	beginning of the crisis. We didn't make the same mistakes as in the 1930s.					
00:29:55	Let's not make ^ these false comparisons.					
00:30:00			Well I think ^ banks are a good example why we need more Europe.			
00:30:05			And we have done it. But we have to go further. We have to make in the contributions of the			
00:30:10			banks a differentiation between investment-			

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00:30:10			banks and saving-banks. I think that investment-banks			
00:30:15			they represent a high risk and have to pay a higher contribution to the fund than for example			
00:30:20			saving banks. And we have to go in that direction. But that said, Mr. Tsipras, in Greece like			
00:30:25			in Italy and ^in ^ in Portugal it was not a question of banks. It was a question of bad policies			
00:30:30			in your country by the two big parties. By PASOK and Nea Dimokratia			
00:30:35			who was the real origin of the crisis there. And because			
00:30:40			because in your country there are mainly only public			

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00:30:40			banks. Public banks			
00:30:45			were financing the political parties, still financing the political parties in Greece			
00:30:50			also - also - also, Mr. Tsipras, also your			
00:30:55			party, because you have also taken a loan from these public banks			
00:31:00			in the near, in the past future.			[Thanks. Thank you. Thank you, Mr. Verhofstadt.
00:31:05						I look at ^, Mr. Tsipras, are you going to rebut? Are you going to use it?
00:31:10						OK. He is using his joker to rebut.
00:31:15					-- Yes, let me just give you a very quick reply.	
00:31:20					--	Yes, he is go, you are going to have your seconds back,

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00:31:25						But rebut. Let's start again.
					- Yeah.	
00:31:30					the other question of public banks and private banks, I would agree with you, they were public banks.	
00:31:35					And there was a clientelism, cronyism^ and then there were parties	
00:31:40					particularly the two biggest parties in Europe -^ Mr. Schulz's and	
00:31:45					Mr. Junker's parties were ^ the main ones involved there.	
00:31:50					Certainly, if you look at the crisis in Greece, look over the (is)	
00:31:55					and you see that actually the medicine made the sick the patient	
00:32:00					sicker rather than better. Of course, the	

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00:32:00					banking crisis in Ireland was rather different	
00:32:05					but there is a question here for all of us. Was the overall ^ diagnosis was it	
00:32:10					successful or a failure	[Sorry. So I'm sorry,
00:32:15			[(is) of the six million.of the People's Party?			are you going to rebut or not? -Mr. - Mr. Junker. Ok. Mr. Junker, you are going to use
00:32:20	-- I would like to add given that we are talking about Greece					aour rebut.
00:32:25	that for years I worked day and night and more often at night					
00:32:30	than during the day to avoid Greece having to leave the Euro-area.					
00:32:35	I did everything because I love Greece and I love the					
00:32:40	greek people. I did					

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00:32:40	everything to ensure that Greece could stay in the Euro-area. And so					
00:32:45	that the financial market will not continue to speculate against Greece. I would accept many					
00:32:50	reproaches but I will never accept that reproach that we did not show sufficient					
00:32:55	solidarity towards Greece. We did everything to ensure that Greece could remain in the					
00:33:00	Euro-zone as it should.					And ^ I am going to ask the public not to
00:33:05						waste too much time. But ^ let say for a second
00:33:10						in this idea that many Europeans are disillusioned. So

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00:33:10						please, use your
00:33:15						next minute to explain to those who think that it is time to leave EU
00:33:20						why should they stay in. First is Ska Keller again because
00:33:25						this was the throw this morning.
				Well I would tell people		
00:33:30				who are thinking about 'Maybe EU is not such a good thing'. Naturally, I would not tell them, I would first listen		
00:33:35				Because that's what I do a lot of times and then people tell me, that they actually have		
00:33:40				a lot of expectations into the European Union. They ask the European Union to		
00:33:45				take care of their social rights, to care		

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00:33:45				about their pension rights, to do something		
00:33:50				about their children's future. And I think that is exactly what we have to deliver. I think mistrust in		
00:33:55				EU-institutions that is sure the mistrust of like Commission, of Council not		
00:34:00				having delivered. But there is still a lot of belief in this European dream of working		
00:34:05				together, of achieving a better life all together. And I think that is		
00:34:10				really the thing we have to strive for. We need more Europe to get out of the crisis in the right ways.		
00:34:15				We need the right policies in Europe in order to make it a		

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00:34:15				better life and a better Europe for all of us.		
00:34:20				That's the message I want to give to all those people who maybe feel disillusioned.		
00:34:25				Take this Europe, make it yours, make it a better Europe.		Alexis Tsipras. What's your
00:34:30					--	message?
00:34:35					- The ^ growth in Euro skepticism	
00:34:40					- has got ^ people who are responsible	
00:34:45					for that and the big culprits are the big three parties who can	
00:34:50					only talk about austerity. That is the only. It's got to be more of the same medicine.	
00:34:55					The those are the culprits, that's the	

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00:34:55					reason why there is such a lot of Euro scepticism.	
00:35:00					People are critical of Europe. We've got to give them an alternative.	
00:35:05					And the alternative is not for the Euro to be disbanded. We've got	
00:35:10					to save it but also change it's nature. The Europe is only going	
00:35:15					to be attractive to young people, it's only going to be attractive for working people	
00:35:20					if it simply is ^ equated with pain and hardship and suffering	
00:35:25					on the contrary, it's got to be different. We've got to address the real ^ danger	
00:35:30					We've got to provide a vision by having a different	

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00:35:35					policy and alternative to austerity. Thank you.	
00:35:40		I don't know if citizens who are looking and listening to our debate are convinced				
00:35:45		that we need more Europe. - I think they wait and they are waiting				
00:35:50		for another Europe. The Europe which is putting their interest first				
00:35:55		on the first place of the action of the european institutions. -				
00:36:00		We are discussing here in Brussels, also tonight, about trillions or billions,				
00:36:05		50 billions, 20 billions, 100 billions. We have ^ discussed about who is responsible				
00:36:10		for what in the past.				

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00:36:10		96% of our citizens live with 1000 and				
00:36:15		2000 Euros a month. And they have the feeling that				
00:36:20		those who are discussing exclusively about billions or trillions - are not				
00:36:25		interested in their individual faith in the future of their children.				
00:36:30		What we lost is the biggest capital of the European Union. Trust. I want to regain trust of the				
00:36:35		citizens for the Union by saying 'We fight against your poverty, against your misery				
00:36:40		and we give your children a lifechance for their future.' And than we				
00:36:45		will get back Europe on track.				
						Jean-Claude Juncker. -

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00:36:50	--					
00:36:55	It is true that we talk about billions too much but we					
00:37:00	spend too many billions that we don't have. So I think we need to stay credible. If					
00:37:05	we conclude a free trade agreement with					
00:37:10	the United States each - ^ european citizen is					
00:37:15	going to earn something like 400, 565 Euros extra.					
00:37:20	So I would like to see people living from the fruit of					
00:37:25	their labour. I would like to see minimum social standards for workers					
00:37:30	If we loose ^ ^ the ^ -					
00:37:35	citizens of Europe than Europe looses					

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00:37:35	credibility.					-
00:37:40			[I think that ^ we have to tell the truth and certainly in the south of Europe where			Just a second.
00:37:45			are many people want to get rid of the Euro. And we have to tell them first			
00:37:50			it should be a disaster for all the economies in Europe, for all the economies and in the north and in the south			
00:37:55			if we go back to national currencies. And the second thing is, you have to ask yourself the question			
00:38:00			who shall pay the bill if we return to the Drachme in Greece, to the Lire			
00:38:05			in Italy, to the Peseta in in Spain? Who shall pay the bill			
00:38:10			of that? We shall have			

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00:38:10			again the competitive devaluations of the past. You			
00:38:15			remember Italy, every two, three years making a devaluation to be competitive with			
00:38:20			their economy. Well, who is paying the bill of a devaluation? The ordinary people			
00:38:25			the ordinary citizens. Because they shall loose a part of their purchasing-power.			
00:38:30			And also pensioners who shall use ^ loose a part of their			
00:38:35			savings. That is the reality. So, we have to tell to the ordinary citizens:			
00:38:40			Going back to national currencies is mainly against your personal interest.			
00:38:45			And it is not a solution for our problems.			

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00:38:45						^ Ska Keller asked
00:38:50						for a rebuttal. So let's listen to her rebuttal
00:38:55				I'm gonna use my second joker to address Mister Juncker because you		before.
00:39:00				have mentioned the Transatlantic Trade Agreement with the US, which I think is precisely one of those things		
00:39:05				why people lose that trust in the European Union. Because the Commission is negotiating secret trade deals		
00:39:10	[No.			behind closed doors. We have people, citizens who are peacefully		
00:39:15				demonstrating today on the streets of Brussels against this trade agreement.		

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00:39:20				And what happens? They are all getting arrested. This is not the European Union that I want		
00:39:25				I don't want to have trade deals like this. Trade deals should be of benefit for the people here as well		
00:39:30				as in our partner countries. And trade deals like this make us loose trust in the European		[Time. [Time is out.
00:39:35				Union unfortunately.		Thank you. So shall we stop here by now, because
00:39:40						I see Conor again. So what is going on in the socia media right now? McNALLY: Well, Monica, let me tell
00:39:45						you. You're certainly

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00:39:45						keeping our social media team very busy tonight.
00:39:50						In the middle of that round you are tweeting at a rate of over a 1000 tweets every minute. We can take a look now
00:39:55						at what we are calling the twitter polls. This lets us visualize just how much you are tweeting.
00:40:00						Right now that is around 701 tweets every minute. A total there of
00:40:05						58.000 for today. So, let me take you through some of those,
00:40:10						actually, before we do that, let's take a look at the word clouds because that helps us visualize
00:40:15						what subjects you are

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00:40:15						talking about. As we speak, the technology is plucking the keywords
00:40:20						from any tweet that is using the tell Europe hashtag or mentioning one of our five candidates.
00:40:25						The bigger the word you see up there on the screen, the more tweets there are containing
00:40:30						that word. So right now, your are talking about the debate, you are talking about
00:40:35						Roma, you are talking about Romani Resistance. So let me bring some of the tweets. ^
00:40:40						During the last round a lot of people talking about the economy "obviously
00:40:45						each candidate has

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00:40:45						promised to ^grow the economy but will this growth be sustainable?"
00:40:50						"So the Europe being managed like a big corporation" another one.
00:40:55						"How do the candidates plan on strengthening european foreign ^foreign security?"
00:41:00						So let's leave those there. Another topic which is coming up and again and again is the
00:41:05						European Union's relationship with other countries, regions and non-member
00:41:10						states. So keep those tweets and comments coming in at #tellEurope.
00:41:15						Monica.

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00:41:15						MAGGIONI: So let's start exactly from there and let's move together on
00:41:20						the words seen. So ^ within these days
00:41:25						violence in Ukraine and ^ Russia claims that the country is on the brink of a civil
00:41:30						war. Where is European Union? We start with Guy Verhofstadt
00:41:35						this new tour.
00:41:40			Well I I received ^ - yesterday a letter of Garri Kasparow - the world famous			
00:41:45			chess player about this. And in fact a letter to all of us.			
00:41:50			For he is saying "At you, Mr. Verhofstadt and all the candidates for the new Presidency			
00:41:55			and to all the leaders			

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00:41:55			of Europe, what will your union be worth if it fails in this			
00:42:00			crisis with Ukraine and Russia. If Ukraine is not safe, Europe is not safe"			
00:42:05			he is saying. "Putin and other dictators will prove that			
00:42:10			aggression is rewarded and many fragile democracies in the world will understand			
00:42:15			they are on their own. You must not fail this test". Well, I think that Garri Kasparow			
00:42:20			is right. We are too weak to Russia and mainly to			
00:42:25			Putin. And what we need to do is to put together very serious credible			
00:42:30			personal sanctions against the people			

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00:42:30			around Putin. That is the only language			
00:42:35			that he shall understand			Alexis Tsipras. What is your position on the Ukraine?
00:42:40					- -	
00:42:45					- Thank you. Europe is	
00:42:50					again using the vocabulary on experimenting with	
00:42:55					cold war language. And this is the wrong way forward. I believe	
00:43:00					that the wounds which have divided Europe cannot be closed and healed ^ with	
00:43:05					sanctions. I think that's got to be done that's got to be done by means	
00:43:10					of putting balm on the wounds and by talking and dialogue.	
00:43:15					And that is, I think, the	

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00:43:15					message ^for the Ukraine. ^ We shouldn't have	
00:43:20					fascists there. That is a stigma on us and a disgrace for us.	
00:43:25					We have got to make sure that they are able to take decisions for their	
00:43:30					own future, using the constitutional safeguards. We must have a	
00:43:35					dialogue in the OSCE. We must see -	
00:43:40					We don't want to see military intervention either by Nato or by the russian side either.	
00:43:45					And this is the way that we can give peace a chance. Thank you.	
00:43:50						Ska Keller. -
				It's very clear.		
00:43:55				All efforts need to be		

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00:43:55				made in order to achieve a peaceful solution. For that		
00:44:00				we need to have dialogue, strength and dialogue. We need a lot of dialogue.		
00:44:05				But we also need to make very clear that we will not accept some of the issues that Putin has been doing,		
00:44:10				not the annexation of the Crimea. It is very clear to be strong on that. So I think		
00:44:15				the sanctions that were imposed were right. But we also need to do other things.		
00:44:20				For example we should talk about the arms that are currently still being exported		
00:44:25				by European Union		

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00:44:25				member states to Russia. That urgently needs to stop.		
00:44:30				Because else other sanctions are simply not doing their job. -		
00:44:35				Also, we are very dependent on Russia when it comes to		
00:44:40				energy. And I can simply say that we Greens have also argued for more energy independence.		
00:44:45				And we finally need to get a grip on this. We finally need to get going. And		
00:44:50				how do we achieve energy efficiency? By investing in our own renewable resources. Those will		
00:44:55				make us independent and that will also put ourselves on a more sustainable economy		
00:45:00						Thank you. Jean-

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00:45:00						Claude Juncker. Didn't we need for a more
00:45:05						stronger european position?
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00:45:10	We said "No" to Mr. Putin. His conduct is completely unacceptable.					
00:45:15	We imposed sanctions. They haven't gone far enough and therefore we need to step					
00:45:20	up the intensity of sanctions against Russia if Russia does not					
00:45:25	change its behaviour. And that will affect the financial flows between					
00:45:30	Russia and european financial centers. But we don't want to go to war. Europe is a					
00:45:35	soft power. We have known enough wars.					

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00:45:35	We have					
00:45:40	enough military cemeteries in Europe. We need to dialogue with Russia. But to do so					
00:45:45	or we need to say "No" to Mr. Putin on behalf of European standards. His					
00:45:50	conduct is completely unacceptable.					(is) Martin Schulz. -
00:45:55		- -				
00:46:00		We are discussing about war. - We should be honest. There is a real				
00:46:05		risk of civil war in Ukraine. And your question was what are the role of the European Union.				
00:46:10		The European Union is not a military power. And whatever				Absolutely.

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00:46:15		we can do to avoid military confrontation which is not a theoretical question,				
00:46:20		which is really possible, we should do. Therefore we need a combined strategy on				
00:46:25		one hand I am absolutely in favour by the way also to support				
00:46:30		our central and eastern member states, that in case of necessity tough sanction				
00:46:35		Should be decided and - realised.				
00:46:40		But until then we need on the other hand another strategy. The strategy, the foreign affairs ministers of the European				
00:46:45		Union, try to achieve the second Geneva				

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00:46:45		round				
00:46:50		And the most important point is to achieve that on the 25. of May presidential election				
00:46:55		are possible because the new elected president could be an interlocutor also				
00:47:00		for the government of Russia.				Thank you and -
00:47:05						Let's move to another subject. Because in EU there are ^ many
00:47:10						^ in substates there are independent movements. I think of
00:47:15						Scotland, I think of Catalonia and some others. If they become independent
00:47:20						should they get automatically the EU membership according to you.
00:47:25						Let's start again with

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00:47:25			[Well, ^ I in my opinion and we are talking			Mr. Verhofstadt.
00:47:30			especially, I come from Barcelona, I was there yesterday, I think that the European Union			
00:47:35			has not to involve in that. That is a question of Spain and the Catalans, in my opinion.			
00:47:40			And certainly not in a negative way intervening as we have seen Mr. Barroso and ^			
00:47:45			other leaders of the EP, the last weeks. Let decide them.			
00:47:50			Spain and the Catalans. It's not a question for the European Union to			
00:47:55			intervene in such a question. And I think it is also necessary to take into account			

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00:48:00			what people think. Because we cannot build up a European Union in which			
00:48:05			^ the voice of the citizens is not counting in such important			
00:48:10			questions. And in any way, we have to play a positive role in the dialogue between Spain and			
00:48:15			the Catalans, not a negative one as we have seen by			
00:48:20			this leader of the Commission, Mr. Barroso, the last weeks and the last months.			Thank you.
00:48:25						- Alexis Tsipras, which is your position on this issue.
00:48:30					- The European Left	
00:48:35					respects the right of peoples to self	

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00:48:35					determination and neverless	
00:48:40					we believe that nationalisms ^ conflicts and tensions between peoples and	
00:48:45					ethnic groups can never lead to any positive outcome.	
00:48:50					We - do not believe that we should encourage	
00:48:55					changing borders. We must respect the right of peoples to decide	
00:49:00					on their future ^ to determine their own futures on the basis of international law	
00:49:05					^ In the case of Catalonia or Scotland, I think	
00:49:10					that they could well be a kind of enhanced ^	
00:49:15					devolution, if you like, within the general framework. -	
00:49:20					And more, a greater	

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00:49:20					degree of independence and autonomy. Ukraine however should be a bridge	
00:49:25					between Russia and Europe. It shouldn't be a great gulf	
00:49:30					or a divide between the two groups. And they have to decide whether they want to	
00:49:35					go down a federal path which mainly ^ pave the way to peace and reconciliation.	
00:49:40				For me, the right of people to decide about their future		
00:49:45				is very important. So I think also the people in Scotland and in Catalonia		
00:49:50				should have the right to decide about the future and about the		
00:49:55				future of their state.		

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00:49:55				And if I was Commission President, then I would very		
00:50:00				much welcome ^ both those if in case they would decide to become independent.		
00:50:05				I would welcome them as well in the European Union. -		
00:50:10						So, - there was just a little technical detail
00:50:15						here. ^ and let's go to Jean-Claude Junker.
00:50:20	I think it would be wise for us not to become					
00:50:25	involved in this debate. This is something which is a UK and					
00:50:30	spanish competence. I'm in favour of always abiding					
00:50:35	by the national constitutions. The					

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00:50:35	national constitutions must be					
00:50:40	respected as far as everything else goes we should keep our silence.					
00:50:45						Martin Schulz? Or you want to use your -
00:50:50	We are not a federal state. The European Union is not a federal state. We are a					
00:50:55	Union of sovereign countries and there is no blueprint for us, because the countries					
00:51:00	decide on the basis of their national constitutions differently. As ^the colleague Keller					
00:51:05	^mentioned, in Scotland there will be a referendum in the autumn. In other					
00:51:10	countries a kind of referendum is not foreseen. Therefore,					

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00:51:10		for the European Union it is not possible				
00:51:15		to answer to the question in one way. If, for example, Scotland will				
00:51:20		vote for independence and sovereignty and become a sovereign country				
00:51:25		then we have ^ a procedure to join the European Union. But in				
00:51:30		other countries this is completely different. So we see what happens in Great Britain with the				
00:51:35		scottish referendum. But this is not possible to transfer to other countries. Therefore, we have no blueprint and we				
00:51:40		have to accept what happens in the frame				

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00:51:40		of national constitutions.				Thank you very much.
00:51:45						- Let me, let me move to a very different subject.
00:51:50						Because today in Italy ^ we were seeing very disturbing pictures about
00:51:55						what happened off coast of Lampedusa. So, let me just ask you all as
00:52:00						candidate, if you consider the immigration and it should ^
00:52:05						should address to member states or to the European Union. Guy Verhofstadt.
00:52:10			Yeah, not member states because member states are not responsible. We ^ need a			

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00:52:15			common immigration policy but not what we have now. We need a legal economic			
00:52:20			migration policy the fastest in the Union. Australia has that,			
00:52:25			Canada has that, United States of America has that. And we don't			
00:52:30			have. And the consequence of this is that we have more and more illegal migration because we don't have a			
00:52:35			legal migration policy. And the second consequence of it is that we have more and			
00:52:40			more human trafficking. Human trafficking inside our border.			
00:52:45			So we need a common policy on			

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00:52:45			that level. And secondly we need also on			
00:52:50			refugees, asylum, to have not this competition between member states,			
00:52:55			but one system and also fair agreements between ^			
00:53:00			the different member states. Look, what's happening in Syria. What have we done for refugees			
00:53:05			coming from Syria? They are all going to Turkey, to Jordan and only a			
00:53:10			few thousands have been met in Europe. And I find it a scandal if you			[Alexis.
00:53:15			look to the tragedy happening in Syria.			Alexis Tsipras. Immigration issue.
00:53:20					- First of all, let me	

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00:53:20					say	
00:53:25					that it seems odd that we are trying to solve a global problem	
00:53:30					such as ^ flows of people across borders at a time, when the European Union	
00:53:35					is party to ^ conflict in Libya and in other	
00:53:40					parts of the planet. - In other words, we are ^	
00:53:45					people are going to be leaving from, in large numbers, Afghanistan, we	
00:53:50					are not able to give any kind of prospect for them	
00:53:55					and of course they are going to be attracted to ^ to Europe. It's not simply a matter of repression	
00:54:00					It's unacceptable for if we are politicians and humanitarian	

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00:54:05					^ to allow the Mediterranean to turn into ^into a graveyard.	
00:54:10					And we need to have a proper ^ asylum programme. We got to put money	
00:54:15					into that to support economies. And also have a fair sharing of	
00:54:20					the of the burden. - Because this is a burden on us	
00:54:25					^ Europe has to be identical, synonymous with solidarity. Thank you very much.	
00:54:30				- What we see in Europe is simply		
00:54:35				not acceptable. We let people die in the Mediterranean. And then, when Italy does a really		
00:54:40				good project like a life-rescuing thing like Mare Nostrum where they take migrants		

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00:54:45				who are threatened to drown from the like from their little boats then Frontex goes		
00:54:50				around saying 'Oh, this is a migration risk, because it will attract new migrants.' This is unacceptable.		
00:54:55				And this is from a european agency. There I really want to see some strong words		
00:55:00				from the Commission to not accept that. And if we talk about legal migration, absolutely,		
00:55:05				we need legal and safe ways for refugees to come to the European Union, to ask for asylum		
00:55:10				here. Because they are in dire need of protection, people who come from Syria		

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00:55:10				and also		
00:55:15				from other crisis hotspots in the world. And most of those refugees go to other places.		
00:55:20				They are not coming to Europe. And we need more legal ways for other migrants as well. But then I really		
00:55:25				wonder why is that no member state has agreed to even talk about legal migration.		
00:55:30				What is happening in the national governments? Does nobody see the plight of the migrants? In the European Union		
00:55:35				where we have gained that Nobel Peace Prize, I think we should absolutely scrap this migration policy.		[(is)
00:55:40				This is a scandal.		[Your time.

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00:55:40						Thank you. -
00:55:45						- Jean-Claude Juncker.
00:55:50	- We need to have a European Law which will allow					
00:55:55	for legal immigration. We cannot do, continue to do, as we do at the moment					
00:56:00	- And having rules on legal migration will not prevent					
00:56:05	illegal - migration. So we need to act in a more concerted way					
00:56:10	to tackle that issue. I think the European Union need to stop reducing their development					
00:56:15	aid budgets because we need to resolve the problems where they arise. We cannot accept					
00:56:20	that poor Asians and Africans are forced to					

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00:56:20	^					
00:56:25	get on boats and end up dying in the Mediterranean. We need to help					
00:56:30	these poor people and those who are suffering where they are. We need to put an end					
00:56:35	to this policy of constantly cutting development aid budgets.					
00:56:40						- Martin Schulz. It's your turn.
		First of all I am very happy				
00:56:45		that Jean-Claude Junker says that we need a legal immigration system. I said this last				
00:56:50		week as well and was attacked by his german friends as the chief manager of				
00:56:55		the criminal gangs in				

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00:56:55		the Mediterranean. So I have now a new colleague. The ^legal				
00:57:00		immigration system is a system all regions in the world with immigration				
00:57:05		have. The United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand. Only the Europeans				
00:57:10		haven't it. We need a legal immigration system. - We need a system for				
00:57:15		temporary protection of refugees from civil war regions and ecologic				
00:57:20		disaster regions. And we need protection for political refugees. This is a				
00:57:25		three step approach. Guy Verhofstadt said "We need a				
00:57:30		European rule." I				

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00:57:30		agree. And we should not leave it in the hands of the member states. I agree.				
00:57:35		But it is in the hand of the member states. And therefore, my Commission will put the member states				
00:57:40		to their responsibility. I make such suggestions that I expect that the member states				
00:57:45		take their responsibilities.	[On Schengen - on Schengen we have to			Thank you. Thank you for your positions.
00:57:50			take it away.			And ^ OK. - So, let's
00:57:55						Let's go to because you know, I want to see what's happening out there in the
00:58:00						social media. Because I think that many people are trying to talk to us. So

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00:58:00						let's
00:58:05						listen to them. Conor. McNALLY: Let me tell you, it's very busy on social media tonight. You are keeping our team
00:58:10						very busy. ^ We are trying it in five countries at the moment including Spain, Italy,
00:58:15						France and Belgium and we can take a look now at the breakdown of languages that you are using.
00:58:20						Take a look at the screen there. We have English obviously is Number one, ^ most popular
00:58:25						language used on Twitter right now. French is Number two. We can also tell

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00:58:25						you that over
00:58:30						10.000 individual users are engaging with each round of this debate.
00:58:35						Keep tweeting, using the hashtag "Tell Europe". Monica.
00:58:40						MAGGIONI: Yes, I'm very interested in those words, you know, I think it's a good suggestion
00:58:45						to go through those words and understand. But thank you so much, Conor. Let's ^ let's move together to
00:58:50						the last set of questions, because we are going to see what's next for Europe
00:58:55						and your visions here. So, for this new set of questions

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00:59:00						the first one to answer will be Ska Keller. And let me ask you,
00:59:05						what are your personal views about religious symbols in the EU?
00:59:10						Should there be crucifixes in public buildings? Should women be allowed to
00:59:15						wear headscarfs in public places? What's your position? Religious symbols.
00:59:20			That's simple.		Thank you. Well, you already took the first two seconds of	
00:59:25					my time. I think, religious symbols that is not something that we necessarily	
00:59:30					have to regulate at the European level. I find it very important that the personal freedom of people	

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00:59:35				is being safeguarded and that in public spaces you have a sort of neutrality.		
00:59:40				While still allowing for instance people who choose to wear headscarf		
00:59:45				to appear in those public buildings. But again, it is something that we not we don't have to regulate at the European level		
00:59:50				where it's very much also depending on the local ^ context as well.		
00:59:55				But I think it's very important that the right to express one's religious freedom is upheld		
01:00:00				and supported, of course as long as it doesn't infringe on other people's rights.		
01:00:05						Guy Verhofstadt, what's your vision on

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01:00:05			Well, I'm a			this?
01:00:10			fan of a European anti-discrimination law anyway. So I think there are a number of values ^			
01:00:15			Ska, where are so important, that they not fall under the subsidiarity.			
01:00:20			I'm sorry, - I'm sorry, when it concerns the freedom of the press, the freedom of religion,			
01:00:25			The ^ -- a number of other ethical,	[but how will you regulate		
01:00:30			a number of other ethical issues, ethical issues. I come from a coun ^^	the crucifixes then? How are you gonna regulate the crucifixes in schools?		[Okay, (is).
01:00:35			a number of other ethical issues. I come from Spain now, so that means something			

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01:00:35			there. Ethics for the moment,			
01:00:40			the whole discussion about abortion and abortion-legislation. So I think, we need			
01:00:45			the same appliance of a number of basic values by an European anti-discrimination law			
01:00:50			the fastest^ as possible. And ^	[Are you allowing it or forbidding it?		[^ ^ ^
01:00:55			(is) okay, ^ if we don't do that, then we can continue like Mr. Orbán is doing in			
01:01:00			Hungary. He is changing every 5 minutes the constitution to make new values in his constitution			
01:01:05			and there you have ^, you have --. Well,			
01:01:10			the reality there is for example, that some			

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01:01:10			minorities are not protected. The reality is there, that			
01:01:15			some religions can not be ^ cannot really be practiced. So I think a European			
01:01:20			solution is absolutely necessary.			Yeah, I left you five seconds more, because of the invasion, but
01:01:25						let's move to Jean-Claude Juncker.
01:01:30	I think European legislation against discrimination is essential for ^					
01:01:35	- the overriding principles, which need to be defended. All religions, philosophies and					
01:01:40	attitudes to life deserve respect. I don't think that the					

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01:01:40	European Union					
01:01:45	should meddle in how religions and philosophies and attitudes					
01:01:50	express themselves, however. – Let - each					
01:01:55	European establish it's principles. We won't negotiate on the principles,					
01:02:00	but we are not going to meddle in – national and local					
01:02:05	and religious traditions. Europe's got enough on its plate without at all costs interfering					
01:02:10	in that sort of discussion. Principles, yes, defence of principles, yes, - but when it comes to					
01:02:15	The practice, leave it to the member states. As long as they don't breach the overriding					

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01:02:15	principles.					
01:02:20						What's your position when it comes to religion?
01:02:25					Thank you very much.	
01:02:30					Well, I think anyone in any of the member states have to respect the	
01:02:35					provisions of the constitution. Of course, each member state has got to defend the	
01:02:40					^ the ^ rights of all citizens. -	
01:02:45					There are many people, who live in the European Union and they must be able to believe in	
01:02:50					the god of their choice – and act accordingly. I think that	
01:02:55					it's a bit anachronistic and it's a backward looking	
01:03:00					^ trend we've seen of	

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01:03:00					late in Europe and that's I think the way to	
01:03:05					^ people fighting over religion. It's also anachronistic and	
01:03:10					a throwback – for us to see in Spain for example laws which	
01:03:15					prevent abortion. – Because that takes us back to	
01:03:20					many years into the ^ the conservative past of the the Franco dictatorship.	
01:03:25					That's a danger we have got to, a pitfall we've got to guard against in the best interest of all Europeans.	
01:03:30		I think your question was about headscarfs and public				[Was about
01:03:35		symbols in public ^ buildings. – Taking in account the				symbols.

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01:03:40		specific rules in the member states we have to respect, one thing is quite clear, that the freedom for everybody				
01:03:45		for every individual to show his religious belief, that people wearing crosses, other				
01:03:50		Jewish symbols or ^ people who are ^ Muslims,				
01:03:55		show their belief and non-believers show their non-belief, this is quite clear. Public				
01:04:00		spaces are neutral and have to be neutral, because in a public space everybody				
01:04:05		has a place. Therefore I must insist in the frame of				
01:04:10		nondiscrimination public places are				

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01:04:10		neutral. Private to show what				
01:04:15		I believe is everybody free to do, but in a public area we can't accept				
01:04:20		that there is one (is). There is in the European Union a risk of a very				
01:04:25		conservative backlash and we have to fight against that. That's for sure.				
01:04:30						Thank you. Thank you for your answers everybody. And
01:04:35						let me go back to the last elections ^ if I look at this data across
01:04:40						Europe only 43% of ^ people voted in the
01:04:45						last elections. - Whose fault is the, the fact that
01:04:50						public doesn't care? Is it your problem, our problem? Who is to

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01:04:50						blame? -
01:04:55				Well, I don't think that ^ people don't care about		Ska Keller.
01:05:00				what's happening in Europe. I think they very much care. But apparently there is a widespread feeling that		
01:05:05				^ this will not be like changes will not be effected. They will not be done by going to		
01:05:10				vote and that I think is a problem. That we see a mistrust in the institutions like the European		
01:05:15				parliament and I think there we really have to step in. We have to make clear that we can change		
01:05:20				things in the European Union, that we have ideas and I		

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01:05:20				have been proposing what we Greens want to do		
01:05:25				for the economy, for young people, how we want to strengthen democracy. Giving people		
01:05:30				and citizens more of a voice. And we need to indeed strengthen this European democracy		
01:05:35				and that by that I don't just mean about that carrying people to vote. Democracy is much more. It's		
01:05:40				about making people's voices heard all the time, not just every five years.		
01:05:45				But we also have to talk about issues. We have to debate ^ everyday about		
01:05:50				what is the best solution for Europe: This direction and this		

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01:05:50				direction. And I think on this topical		
01:05:55				level people will say they are very interested in that and I think we have to go out for		
01:06:00				22. 25. of May and all advertise that you choose which direction Europe will go.		[Time is up. [It's time
01:06:05						to go to Mr. Verhofstadt.
01:06:10			Well, - what what we need is politicians who are defending Europe. Until now ^			
01:06:15			we have always defended Europe at the same good argument of peace but we need to give other			
01:06:20			arguments to the younger generation. And that is that we			

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01:06:20			can create jobs, that we can fix the economy			
01:06:25			and that also on the European level we can safeguard a number of values that are			
01:06:30			impossible to safeguard on the national level. Let me give you the example of the civil			
01:06:35			liberties and privacy. We need the fastest as possible after NSA, after Snowden			
01:06:40			a data protection regulation in Europe to protect the private			
01:06:45			life and the private data of our citizens and certainly of the younger generation			
01:06:50			and more than that – and more than that with the new decision of			

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01:06:55			the European court of justice concerning Google, we are on the right track, because the court is			
01:07:00			saying: Well, you need to have the right to be forgotten in the legislation and you need			
01:07:05			also privacy by default. If we tackle these problems, then I'm sure young			[Time.
01:07:10			people and population shall come back to the idea of the European Union.			Thank you. Jean-Claude
01:07:15	--					Juncker.
01:07:20	We have to stop talking about Europe as we are accustomed					
01:07:25	to talking about it. Very often the					

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01:07:25	national governments - ^					
01:07:30	shift the responsibility to Europe, when they need to					
01:07:35	show the responsibility. The member states are responsible ^ for everything					
01:07:40	in the sense that they or the national parliaments do not exist. I think that we need to plead					
01:07:45	the course of Europe once again and explain to young people that Europe is weakening and that we are losing					
01:07:50	^ our ^ clout. We ^ ^					
01:07:55	- we got 4% of the worlds population the beginning of the next centuries. We					
01:08:00	are losing out demographically. And					

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01:08:00	we need to tell young people that we need Europe. If we don't have Europe and we didn't have the Euro					
01:08:05	today, all of the European countries would be engaged in a monetary war with each other:					
01:08:10	France against Germany, France against Spain. After the economic and financial crisis and after the Ukrainian					
01:08:15	crisis it's quite clear that we need Europe. Europe protects Europeans.					Alexis Tsipras.
01:08:20					--	--
01:08:25					The biggest deficit I think in Europe is actually a democratic deficit	
01:08:30					and citizens stay	

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01:08:30					away, because they don't really believe that their	
01:08:35					vote is going to make a big change to the strategy and the direction of	
01:08:40					Europe as it currently is. --	
01:08:45					The summits are really twenty-eight heads of state and government who decide	
01:08:50					along the lines of Mrs. ^ (is) of Chancellor Merkel's wishes.	
01:08:55					^ my question to Mr. Juncker: Is what's been happening behind the scenes.	
01:09:00					You, ^ Mr. Barroso have been talking about	
01:09:05					^ replacing elected governments in Italy and Greece having them replaced by	

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01:09:05					bankers	
01:09:10					and by technocrats and imposing austerity. – That's quite	
01:09:15					^ impose these things on on governments.	
01:09:20					^ at a time when you say the the constitution should ^ should	
01:09:25					prevail but that's not happening in Greece for the time being.	
						Whose fault is this?
01:09:30		Your question was what is ^ the reason why the turnout was so low.				
01:09:35		^ I think in the past the European elections were boring – it				
01:09:40		was no confrontation. Secondly, it was abused for midterm elections of national governments				
01:09:45		and now we have a				

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01:09:45		other situation. I think the debate here shows we are changing ^				
01:09:50		in the European Union ^ to more democracy for more				
01:09:55		controversial debate, more transparency. This is a step forward. Other is another element.				
01:10:00		We have 27 million unemployed people in the European Union. As we discussed 6 million				
01:10:05		unemployed young men and women. We have the highest rate of tax fraud and tax evasion we ever had in the				
01:10:10		European Union. Taxpayers have to pay for speculators. They are				
01:10:15		waiting not for more				

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01:10:15		Europe, they are waiting for another Europe				
01:10:20		and if the debate of concrete proposals how to change Europe for more justice				
01:10:25		and fairness then I'm sure that we will regain trust of voters and that the turnout				
01:10:30		will be increased.				Thank you.
01:10:35						Let's speak about corruption. -
01:10:40						How far do you think you will go to fight corruption?
01:10:45						And second do you also think that the lobbyists out
01:10:50						here in the corridors of Brussels are part of the problem in some ways?
01:10:55				Oh absolutely they're		Ska Keller.

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01:10:55				a big part of the problem, because I think we have too many lobbyists		
01:11:00				going around these corridors. But not just these, also the corridors of the commission		
01:11:05				that are highly paid, that are sent by the one or the other interest group who spent millions		
01:11:10				on those lobbyists and what we are missing out on is the lobbyists is the voices of		
01:11:15				the citizens. Those are the real actors. Those only European Union needs,		
01:11:20				the citizens of the European Union. But they are not being heard. It's the lobbyists who find		

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01:11:20				entrance here.		
01:11:25				It's the lobbyists who spent millions in influencing law-makers like many of ourselves		
01:11:30				and ^ who are influencing commissioners and it's amazing when sometimes		
01:11:35				you see that people like they bring in amendments where they even forget to take out the		
01:11:40				the header of the letter so you can see exactly from what industry it's in. And that needs to stop		
01:11:45				and yes this sort of lobbyism, that is a big problem of the European Union and it's		
01:11:50				maybe also like similar to corruption		

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01:11:50				lobbyism, that is not the way forward. We have to		
01:11:55				make the voices of the people count, not the voices of the lobbyists.		[Time.
01:12:00			[Well, ^ you cannot forbid that there are			Guy Verhofstadt, what's your point?
01:12:05			lobbyists. The Problem is that from time to time like we have seen the case ^ the			
01:12:10			last years in this commission there is corruption ^coming from that. That is is the problem.			
01:12:15			And that we have ^ certainly to fight against. And to make new rules			
01:12:20			and we have made new rules in the last parliament to			

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01:12:20			strengthen in fact the fight against corruption			
01:12:25			against lobbyist. And mainly it's about who is representing you. What is the the			
01:12:30			the guy, the woman representing you and what are the ethics of ^ these politicians who are coming to this			
01:12:35			parliament. But next to the lobbyism and to corruption I think the main problem			
01:12:40			for the moment in the commission, Ska Keller was talking about the commission, is a lack of leadership and			
01:12:45			independence from nation-states today, mainly from Paris and Berlin.			
01:12:50			The actual leadership of the commission is			

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01:12:50			always first phoning to Paris and Berlin,			
01:12:55			no the opposite, to Berlin and Paris before acting. And that is for me,			
01:13:00			that is for me the main problem today. That we have again a leadership and			
01:13:05			not longer a secretary of the council.			Time, thank you. So while we
01:13:10						go to Jean-Claude Juncker. I do remind you that you
01:13:15						have a few jokes that you can use if you want over this question. So, Jean-Claude Juncker.
01:13:20	-- Clearly, we need a better framework					
01:13:25	for lobby-activities. Obviously, we need to fight ^					

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01:13:30	corruption to our utmost both in member states and at the European					
01:13:35	level, but you can't forbid interest groups from asserting their interest. -					
01:13:40	Thus for all members and commissioners to publish the list of their					
01:13:45	contacts and their meetings so citizens know who they have been dealing with, ^					
01:13:50	is the way and citizens should go and vote --					
01:13:55	so it becomes a democracy and they actually go and vote					
01:14:00	between the 22. and the 25. to avoid the risk that the lobbyists					
01:14:05	influence ^ the less democratic extreme right members ^					
01:14:10	and extreme left. So					

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01:14:10	go out and vote if you want to fight the lobbyists.					
01:14:15						It's so clear, ^ we move to Alexis. Tsipras.
01:14:20					Corruption is ^ structural	
01:14:25					in Europe its particularly in the south, it must be said – and	
01:14:30					combatting corruption is not just something for the member states. - It's also	
01:14:35					something for the European Union as a whole. We believe	
01:14:40					that we need European legislation, which is effective, which has	
01:14:45					transparency and can come, crack down on corruption and we also need to	
01:14:50					get effective	

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01:14:50					legislation to ^ combat tax avoidance,	
01:14:55					tax evasion, - because that's also a form of corruption	
01:15:00					and another form of economic crime. Therefore we believe that all of these things require	
01:15:05					political will from the governments - and from the leadership of the European Union,	
01:15:10					because behind them ^ there are clashes between big interests	
01:15:15					for example in Italy – where the traditional authorities	
01:15:20					are trying to tackle the mafia and the nexus between that and the political world.	
01:15:25		(is) ^ Corruption is a European				
01:15:30		phenomenon, he is right and we have to				

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01:15:30		fight against it. It is quite clear that places like the commission or the European parliament				
01:15:35		are the target of lobbying and also of corruption. What we need are common rules not only				
01:15:40		on the European level also on the national level. We had here this ^ cash for law cases in the				
01:15:45		parliament and we had two members ^ ^ who presented the amendment				
01:15:50		and were paid for it. One is already in one country sentenced to four years				
01:15:55		prison. In another country even the trial is four years later not yet opened.				
01:16:00		So what we need is a				

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01:16:00		common understanding that fight against corruption depends not from a				
01:16:05		phone call of Barroso to Angela Merkel. This is a strange answer to your question. It				
01:16:10		depends from the will of the member states to cooperate with us and -				
01:16:15		I think the ^ commission should ^ - reflect that				
01:16:20		it is in our strategy of initiatives and law making always				
01:16:25		very early - published what we want to do and then we deliver				
01:16:30		the whole strategy to the lobbyists. Therefore – high transparency				[^
01:16:35		on the lobby register on one hand and to				[Thank – I'm sorry –

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01:16:35		inform the parliament earlier than the lobbyists.				time is up
01:16:40		This is what we have to do as commission.				^ Ska Keller asked for her joker.
01:16:45				Yes, because ^ good for us that you mentioned the stuff that we did in the parliament to		
01:16:50				prevent lobbyism. Well, yes. We did this lobby-register, which is voluntary. Lobbyists		
01:16:55				don't have to register and I wonder what some sort of measure this is against lobbyism. We ^ have to also		
01:17:00				tackle conflict of interest. We need to have a register in this European parliament about the		
01:17:05				side income also of		

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01:17:05				the members of the European parliament. I think there you also have quite a few		
01:17:10			[No.	things to declare, Mr. Verhofstadt. We need to be transparent about our		
01:17:15				law making in every sense and I think it's also not very helpful, Mr. Schulz		[Your time is gone.
01:17:20				that you've stopped Transparency International from investigating the European Parliament.		[Your time is gone. Your time is gone
01:17:25						and ^ he has something to tell. So, your joker.
01:17:30			Well, -- maybe ^ Ska			
01:17:35			Keller is not doing it, but I'm using the transparency register of the European Parliament,			
01:17:40			Ska: With my mandates in it, with			

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01:17:40			what I gain – very open. So that			
01:17:45			every journalist and there are many journalists in Europe can look to in it and can see			
01:17:50			what are my mandates and so on. So ^ I'm an open transparent member of this			
01:17:55			parliament. You the same. – Hopefully, you do the same.			
01:18:00						Okay. – Shall we move to - another topic
01:18:05						(2-second-Video-Error) (is) here. We've presented you
01:18:10						as the official candidates but there are so many people out there
01:18:15						pretending that maybe – none of you is going to be the next

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01:18:15						president of the European
01:18:20						commission. How do you answer this, Ska Keller?
01:18:25				Well, I think there is a high chance that one of us will be the commission president and I really think		
01:18:30				it should be that way, because for the citizens to elect their		
01:18:35				commission president that is a great leap forward in European democracy		
01:18:40				and it is in the treaty of Lisbon and if the member states would -		
01:18:45				conditional – would dare to typic somebody else, they would overrule		
01:18:50				the Lisbon treaty, because the treaty is very clear and that		

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01:18:50				they would deal a		
01:18:55				great blow to European democracy. So I think they should respect the voice		
01:19:00				of the citizens. Else, next five years, they can't tell anybody why they didn't go to		
01:19:05				vote. They can't complain about the voter turnout, because this is really what matters.		
01:19:10				We wanted to make it more democratic. We wanted to put faces on the campaign. We wanted to make the campaigns		
01:19:15				more European. So here is what we got. Here is where we are and it's up to the member states to		
01:19:20				respect the European law.		Guy Verhofstadt.

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01:19:25			Well, I think it's unthinkable			
01:19:30			that we shall take somebody outside the candidates. I can't, we can agree on that I think?			
01:19:35			Yea, oh. That's ^ the first big agreement today ^ in this ^			
01:19:40			in this debate. – But now seriously,			
01:19:45			it can only be one of the candidates, because otherwise we can close the doors of this European Parliament			
01:19:50			and we can close the doors of European democracy, if it was only a little game, that we shall play			
01:19:55			Every five years and there then the the the the member states are coming together			
01:20:00			after closed doors and			

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01:20:00			and and taking somebody else. So that is not allowed and secondly ^ we			
01:20:05			agreed also with the political parties on the European level to say the candidate			
01:20:10			has to build up a majority. It's not necessarily ^ the			
01:20:15			candidate who is the biggest after the election. He can do a first try. That's the			
01:20:20			idea. He can do a first try. That's normal. [(is) That are the rules of parliamentary democracy, Ska.			
01:20:25			That is that first, who has the best result can try			
01:20:30			to build up this democracy, but certainly nobody outside the candidates.			[Your time is gone. - Jean-Claude

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01:20:35	--					Juncker.
01:20:40	The twenty-eight – prime ministers and					
01:20:45	governments have signed the Lisbon treaty. The parliament has ratified it and it provides					
01:20:50	for the European council having taken in account the elections of the European					
01:20:55	parliament or having held what we consider to take in account the elections of the European parliament, if the European council					
01:21:00	or certain members of the European council do not do this, this would be a					
01:21:05	denial of democracy. It is quite clear - in - if we do					

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01:21:10	not respect the results of the European elections no one will go and vote					
01:21:15	in 2019, because we will be giving the message that the heads					
01:21:20	of state and government are important and the citizens don't count. I want the citizens' vote votes to					
01:21:25	count more in Europe.					Alexis Tsipras.
01:21:30					Well, one positive step towards more democracy has taken place already.-	
01:21:35					And now people seem to be challenging even that and questioning even that.	
01:21:40					And we've got to get people in here	
01:21:45					and not turn more people off and turn	

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01:21:45					them into ^ eurosceptics.	
01:21:50					-- and I I hope no one is saying that the is	
01:21:55					no one really thinks it should be someone who is not here tonight, who would be the next president of the	
01:22:00					commission. We have had disastrous --	
01:22:05					^ policies which have burned down heavily on the grassroots	
01:22:10					and if we carry on down that path, then there will be a backlash from people outside and from	
01:22:15					citizens. And what I want to hear from the other ^ candidates:	
01:22:20					^ Who was responsible for the disastrous policies which we've seen	
01:22:25					over recent times. I	

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01:22:25					think that Europe has got to have more democracy, going forward,	
01:22:30					otherwise the whole dream, the whole vision is going to disappear for all of us,	
01:22:35					Unfortunately.	Martin Schulz.
01:22:40		Into the same question				
01:22:45		and ^ every day I am ^ obliged to answer twenty times to the question. No,				[I'm afraid, so.
01:22:50		absolutely clear. I think the ^ - heads of states and governments				
01:22:55		are free to do what they want to do behind closed doors, but this is finished that the president of the European Commission				
		is the result of a				

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01:22:55		backroom deal. This is finished. – One of the candidates, he, she or he will be				
01:23:00		the next president of the European Commission – and if they really would dare				
01:23:05		to nominate another one, the answer is quite clear: He get no majority in the parliament, quite easy,				
01:23:10		because no member of the European Parliament will vote for him. Therefore – I think --				
01:23:15		and ^ --				
01:23:20		there is one interesting thing. - One interesting				
01:23:25		Element. – No single head of state or government -				
01:23:30		express that view until today. - Only Angela				

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01:23:30		Merkel sit,				
01:23:35		there is no automatism behind, that's true. Also in Germany there is no automatism in the constitution that she is always				
01:23:40		chancellor. She has also to build ^ to build a coalition. - But				[^ Time.
01:23:45						Time.
		Ya, I didn't, I didn't use a joker, so I think				
01:23:50		this. (is) I use this				[You get your joker, okay.
		I use this five seconds to tell you				
01:23:55		the next president of the European Commission is standing here and you are				
01:24:00		just speaking with him.				
			Haha.			

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01:24:00						Well,
01:24:05			[Well,			I think many of them will use their joker in this case, but
01:24:10			no, no, we should not use the joker it shall be the citizens, will use the joker.			let me tell you.
		Yeah, absolutely.				
01:24:15		Haha. [after, after football to Berlin, haha.	Haha.			Okay. – So let's move (is) the very last question. Ya, let's move to the very
01:24:20			[The citizens shall use their joker.			last question, because you are going to have 30 seconds each, because we are going
01:24:25						very, ya, close to the conclusion. It's gone here. So the final question is
01:24:30						about vision. So tell us why the citizens should vote
01:24:35						for you, Ska Keller, thirty seconds.

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01:24:35				My offer to you citizens		
01:24:40				of Europe, people living in Europe, to be more precise, is that		
01:24:45				I will focus to make a Europe deliver on jobs		
01:24:50				on social protection and on climate change. That we will revive the European		
01:24:55				dream of caring for everybody. Creating a Europe of the people living in there.		
01:25:00				Let us reclaim Europe. Let's do that until 25. of May, but		
01:25:05				also afterwards. That is my offer to you.		
						Guy Verhofstadt.
01:25:10						--
01:25:15			I want to do so a lot of things that I can't tell it in thirty seconds, I have to tell you ^			
01:25:20			but in anyway what the main thing is, we			

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01:25:20			need an again leadership in European Union, a vision			
01:25:25			for the future, because that is what our citizens are wanting. That is what they want to see			
01:25:30			^ from ^ the leader of the ^ commission and to do three things fixing the economy:			
01:25:35			Jobs, jobs, jobs. That are my three priorities for the next five years.			
01:25:40			I did it in time.			You made it.
01:25:45						Jean-Claude Juncker.
01:25:50	I'd like a Europe, which doesn't cultivate its divisions. I'd like to put an end to these					
01:25:55	artificial divisions of north and south, old and new member states, young and old.					

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01:25:55	I'd like					
01:26:00	a Europe of consensus of compromise, wise compromise.					
01:26:05	I'd like a Europe, which allows the Europeans - to					
01:26:10	fall back in love with Europe.					
01:26:15						Alexis Tsipras. (is) I I will use my jokers
01:26:20						also. Okay, ^. First
01:26:25						of all, we want a Europe which belongs to the peoples, a Europe of peoples.
01:26:30						We want to ^ support solidarity and
01:26:35						democracy. Decisions must be taken. ^ The citizens must decide on the
01:26:40						big things with referendums, not ^

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01:26:40					backroom deals behind closed doors, -	
01:26:45					not in a way, which ^ subjugates public will and the popular will.	
01:26:50					Secondly, immediately – we must prepaid to the	
01:26:55					Troika, banish it from the European institutions and (is) ^	
01:27:00					do that. Thirdly we need a European procedure	
01:27:05					for dialogue and again a sustainable solution for the debt	
01:27:10					to get us out of the crisis ^ on a basis of democracy and	
01:27:15					social cohesion and democracy. Thank you.	
						We move to Martin Schulz.
01:27:20		We are living in our house in Europe. We call it the European				

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01:27:20		house and we must open the				
01:27:25		doors and the windows and to give the citizens the chance to look what happens in the house and				
01:27:30		who is deciding about them and I want a European Union the commission putting				
01:27:35		the interest of ordinary citizens first. I served as a mayor, as a local councillor,				
01:27:40		long serving member of the parliament. I know that people are suffering in Europe				
01:27:45		and I want to change Europe into a better life				
01:27:50		for everybody especially with the chance for the young generation to get a				
01:27:55		better future in the				

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01:27:55		European Union.				Thank you very much, but
01:28:00						- let me say that there is a very
01:28:05			[Ya.			little out of program that all the candidates agreed on,
01:28:10						because I think that Ska Keller can give us a few seconds while Conor join me. -
01:28:15			[Ya, we have to wait.			So just a second, Ska Keller.
01:28:20				We've been debating Europe today, but we shouldn't forget		
01:28:25				that people elsewhere are suffering, that they are suffering from poverty and hardship		
01:28:30				and war and persecution and just as once that we all care about is is that we are participating		[(is) they'll all agree.
01:28:30				in all of us together today in the		

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01:28:30				#BringBackOurGirls campaign.		
01:28:35						(Applause of the audience)
01:28:40						(Applause of the audience)
01:28:45						Thank you.
01:28:50						Thanks to the candidates, even for this. Our
01:28:55						debate is over and ^ I am going to ask Conor, what happened
01:29:00						out there while we were talking? MCNALLY: Let me tell you that we had 63000
01:29:05						tweets, 15000 people engaged here on twitter and ^
01:29:10						online. So, you can check out Eurovisiondebate.tv for more detailed analysis.

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01:29:15						MAGGIONI: Well, you've heard the candidates and ^ you know what they had
01:29:20						to say. Now it's up to you. MCNALLY: Well, thanks to all of you who have taken part in this unique
01:29:25						event, wherever you are. Don't forget you can continue to take part in the discussion online. Check out our
01:29:30						Website Eurovisiondebate.tv (is) MAGGIONI: And that's all for
01:29:35						tonight here from Brussels from all the team of the European parliament.
01:29:40						Have a very good

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01:29:40						night!
01:29:45						(Applause of the audience)
01:29:50						(Applause of the audience)
01:29:55						(Applause of the audience)
01:30:00						(Applause of the audience)