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Stellingen

Behorende bij het proefschrift: *'Permanent Change? The Paths of Change of the European Security Organizations'* van Sabine Mengelberg.

1. From the end of the Cold War not only states drive change in the domain of security and defence, as stated by rational choice institutionalism, but other actors as well, necessitating a combined theoretical framework to analyse change of security and defence cooperation.
2. Current forms and levels of security and defence cooperation have surpassed the traditional division between intergovernmental or supranational cooperation.
3. The increasing complex and interdependent pattern of institutional cooperation requires a comparative analysis of security organizations.
4. A European army will not be a Napoleon's *Grande Armee*, but will strengthen both EU's as well as NATO's strategic power.
5. Developments in the European security architecture cause changes of the European security organisations along the paths of broadening, widening and deepening.
6. The European security organisations show both differences and similarities in tasks and functions, contradicting Keohane's adage of 'form follows function'.
7. The traditional division between the concepts of collective defence and collective security is no longer appropriate for the current European security architecture.
8. Scholars of war studies can only provide an adequate picture if the opposite of war, cooperation, is involved in the analysis.
9. The different approaches within new institutionalism can only evolve through debate with each other and are thus interconnected.
10. If the analyst has spent so many hours in convincing herself that she is right, there is no reason to fear she might be wrong.