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**REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND THE REALISM OF
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, SOVEREIGNTY
AND FREEDOMS: THE INFLUENCE ON THE
BALANCE OF POWERS IN THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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La integración regional y el realismo de las relaciones internacionales, soberanía y libertades: la influencia en el balance de poderes UE

Resumen

La presente investigación busca responder a la pregunta del balance de poderes dentro de la Unión Europea y el cómo esta distribución de poderes afecta a la soberanía de los países y por consecuencia a las libertades de los ciudadanos de estos países. Específicamente se indagará en el poder de Francia sobre la Unión Europea, la transición de soberanía, la deconstrucción del realismo internacional y un nuevo entendimiento de la Unión Europea como un pan-estado europeo. Todo este entendimiento se dará desde la visión realista de las relaciones internacionales, sometiendo a cuestionamiento al altruismo de los estados y el cómo estos toman sus decisiones en base a sus intereses.

Palabras clave: Realismo, Unión europea, Libertades, Relaciones Internacionales, Soberanía

Regional integration and the realism of international relations, sovereignty and freedoms: the influence on the EU balance of powers

Abstract

This research will try to answer the question about the power distribution inside of the European Union and how this distribution of powers affects the country's sovereignty and as a consequence the freedom of their citizens. Specifically, it will explore the power of France in the European Union, the transition of sovereignty, the deconstruction of the international realism and a new understanding of the European Union as a European pan-state. All this view under the international realism of international relations, submitting to questioning the altruism of the states and how this takes decision based on their own interests.

Key words: Realism, European Union, Freedom, International Relations, Sovereignty