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For the Review's monographic section we will consider theoretical and research contributions on the topic:

**Is (historical) sociology Eurocentric?.** Nation building, European integration and cosmopolitanism: critical and normative visions

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From precursors Marx and Tocqueville up to contemporaries like Stefano Bartolini (*Restructuring Europe*, 2005) via classics (Weber, Geertz and Elias, Tilly, Wallerstein or Anderson), historical sociology of the modern political has always had much to do with Europe. Almost by definition: is not the nation state born in Europe? Sociologists, be they comparativists or not, have been searching for avoiding evolutionism legated by the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries' social theorists Marx and Comte as well as Spencer or Durkheim. However, (historical) sociology, even when closer to idiographic approaches rather than to nomothetic sociology, is often suspected of (at least unintentional) Eurocentrism.

This issue proposes to take seriously this criticism and to test it by questioning the visions of Europe and Cosmopolitanism that stems both from classic and from current socio-historical analyses in sociology, political science and EU studies. It centrally aims at tackling these issues: Does the historical sociology entail specific normative visions of Europe and of "post-national constellations" (Habermas, 2000)? To what extent does it propose "critical" views (Delanty, 2006) on trans-nationalisation processes at work from 1945 and on the scepticism that followed?

The issue is open to empirical and theoretical issues as such:

- 1) Does the legacy of classics in contemporary figures of historical sociology entail specific normative and critical visions about the future of European societies, in the frame of EU and beyond? What about the role of human rights, for instance?
- 2) How (historical) sociology has recently been impacting EU studies and national case studies, notably in matter of Eurosepticism?

Finally, how could we gain analytical leverage from the links between sociology, law, history and political philosophy in order to tackle cosmopolitan issues?

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