The European Parliament,

having seen to the Ventotene Manifesto;

having regard to the **Schuman declaration** of 9 May 1950;

whereas **amending the Treaties is necessary**, not as an end in itself, but in the interest of all Union citizens, as **these amendments aim to reshape the Union in a way that will enhance its capacity to act, as well as its democratic legitimacy and accountability**;

whereas the Union's institutional framework, and in particular its decision making process, especially that in the Council, is barely adequate for a Union of 27 Member States; whereas the prospect of **future enlargements makes a reform of the Treaties inevitable**;

Have you heard about the European Parliament's

