

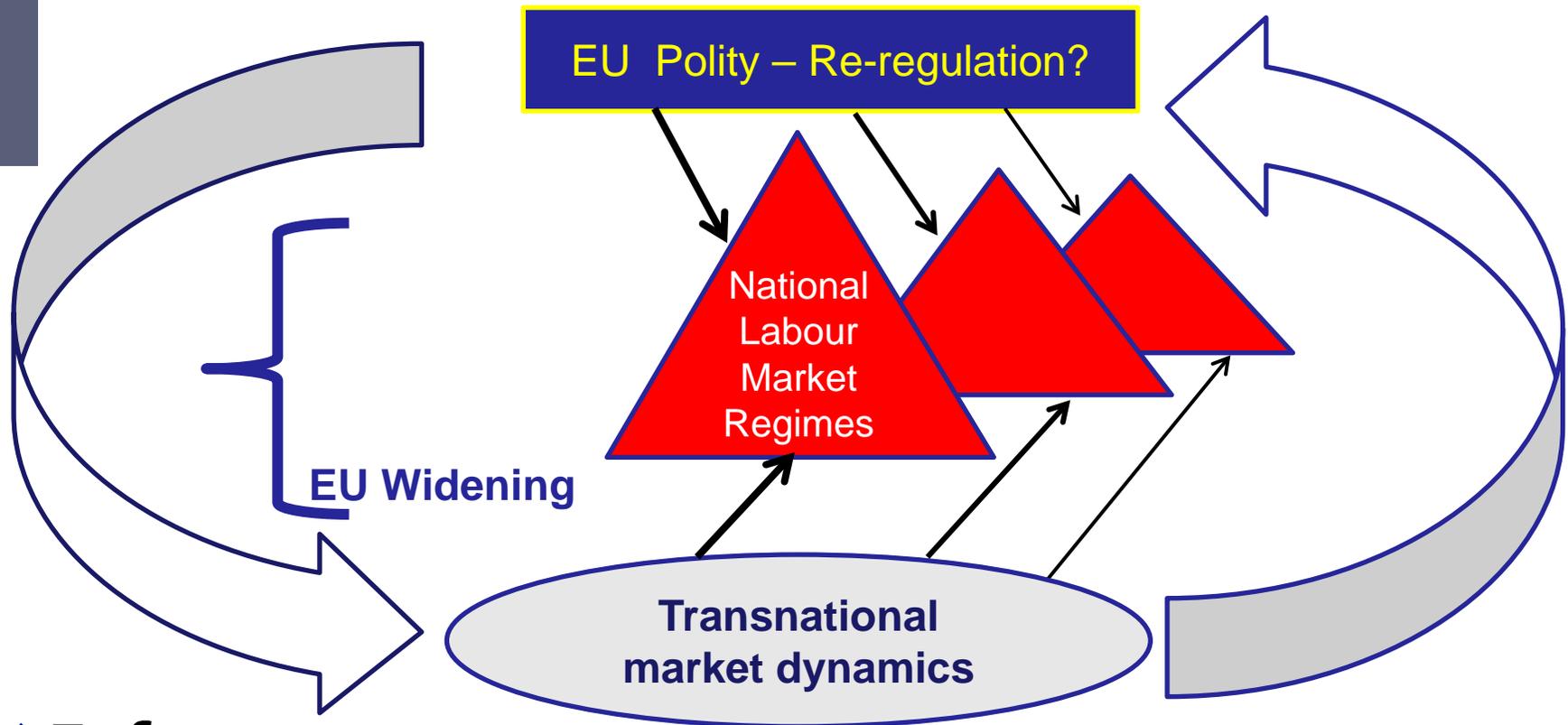
Political repercussions of the Laval Quartet at European level

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Growing Europeanization of markets for services and labour:

Blurring boundaries between States and between European and national labour market policies and conflicts



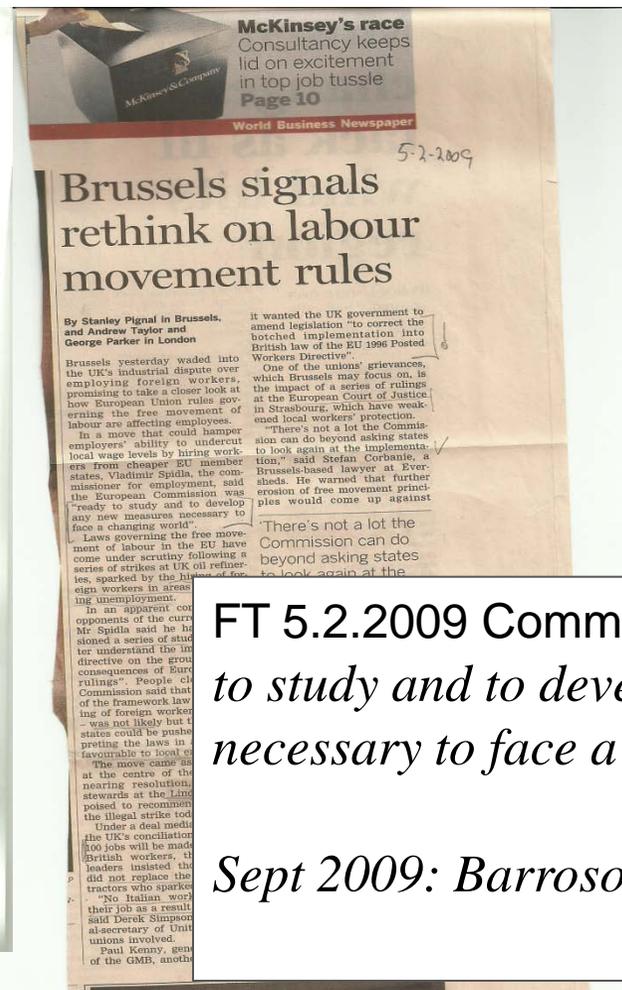
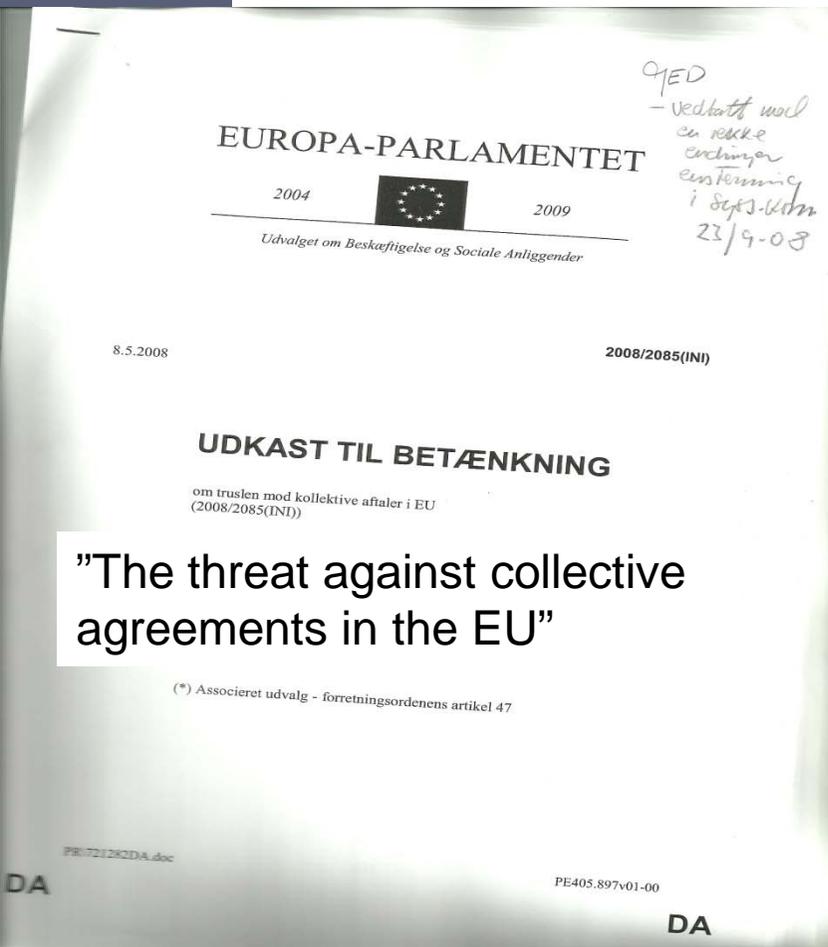


Free Movement, Equal Treatment and Worker Rights: Can the EU solve its trilemma of fundamental principles?



**European political response or
leaving the quandary to the nation-states?**

The "hot potato" won't go away – and the European Parliament can't stop meddling



FT 5.2.2009 Commissioner Spidla: "...ready to study and to develop any new measures necessary to face a changing world."

Sept 2009: Barroso send signals to the EP

Barroso fighting for renomination in the EP (15.9.2009)

*” I have clearly stated my attachment to the respect for the fundamental social rights and to the free movement of workers. **The interpretation and the implementation of the PWD falls short in both respects.** That is why I commit to propose ... a Regulation to resolve the problems that have arisen.*

If we discover ... that there are areas where we need to revise the Directive itself, I will not hesitate to do so.

And let me be clear: I am committed to fighting social dumping in Europe, whatever form it takes.”

Signal of change or cheap talk knowing that the Council cannot agree in any case?

A NEW STRATEGY FOR THE SINGLE MARKET

AT THE SERVICE OF
EUROPE'S ECONOMY AND SOCIETY

Report to the
President of the European Commission

José Manuel Barroso

by
Mario Monti

9 May 2010

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- Warns about **legitimacy crisis...**
- Questions whether the PWD provides an adequate basis and suggests to
- Strengthen enforcement and sanctions against abuse and fight **"letter-box" companies**
- Is concerned about the **workers' right to collective action**, suggests look into the Lisbon Treaty..., not leave it to ECJ...
- Floats the idea of a **new "Monti Regulation"** to ensure that free movement does not affect the right to take collective action....

But "the devil is in the detail" and the Council

The Social Partners are divided

.....but realities at the sector and national levels appear less clear-cut





So, how can Europe solve its trilemma?

- Leave it to the market and the European Court of Justice?
- "Back to the nation state" – more autonomy for national regimes?
- Intensify the search for a proper political European response?

....latter two options have become mutually interdependent?