

# NATION-STATES AND THE EUROPEAN UNION AMIDST A GLOBAL CRISIS

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## **Abstract**

The paper analyses the links between the global crisis of civilization and the development of the European Union and European nation-states. It specifies the substantive content of the polycrisis and the inadequate capacity of politics at the global, European, and national levels to respond to it in a timely and effective manner. Considering the ways past civilizational formations have emerged, evolved, and collapsed, it raises the question of how this crisis can be addressed at both the European and national levels.

## **Points for Practitioners**

This paper may be beneficial for policymakers and civil servants who address public policy and public administration agendas, primarily at the national and EU levels.

## **Keywords**

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