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Kazakhstan and European Union: New Tendencies, Priorities and Prospects

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ABSTRACT The purpose of this work is to study the problems of strategic cooperation between the Republic of Kazakhstan and the EU, which is characterized by new challenges and threats - the global financial and economic crisis, international terrorism, trans-national crime and illegal migration. In this paper authors have identified the role of Kazakhstan in the policies of the EU; the peculiarities of relations between the Republic of Kazakhstan and the EU; analyzed the results of the Strategy for a New Partnership of the EU and CA for the period from 2007 to 2013 and identified negative factors influencing the effectiveness of the EU policy towards Kazakhstan and other CA states. Based on the analysis of concepts, ideas and scientific approaches developed by scientists, in respect of cooperation between the EU and CA, documentary sources have developed proposals for improving the efficiency of interaction between Kazakhstan and the EU.