

ACTING IN PALESTINE?

THE EU'S POLICY TOWARDS THE PA
SINCE THE 2006 ELECTION OF HAMAS

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Giving the EU's policy towards the PA a framework

Actorness

The EU as a foreign policy actor

EU policy towards the PA

The EU's actorness-rating *vis à vis* the PA

Why actorness?

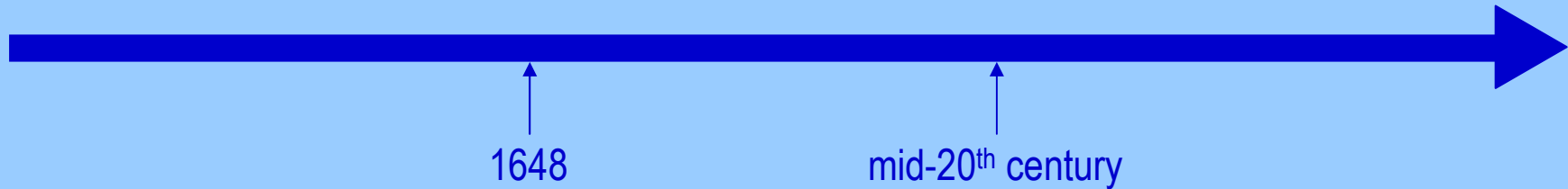
Who acts on the world stage?

clans
regions
the Holy Roman Empire
etc

sovereign states

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the UN
NGOs
MNCs

the EU?



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