Enhancing EU's contribution to peace and security: a priority for the French presidency

- Where we come from
- Living up to our responsibilities
- A unique integrated actor

1/ Asserting the role of the EU as a political actor:

- CFSP is still a newly established, fragile and imperfect policy
- The strength of the EU
- Trying to bring some coherence: the example of the new Mediterranean partnership
- The innovations of the Lisbon treaty

2/ The European security strategy: a strategic framework for the development of EU military and civilian capabilities

- The first attempt to define what security means for Europeans.
- New challenges have emerged
- The need for a comprehensive approach.

3/ A new ambition for the European defence

- ESDP at a crossroads
- Strengthening the capabilities
- Articulating a new framework

Conclusion: what perspectives for EU/Japan cooperation?