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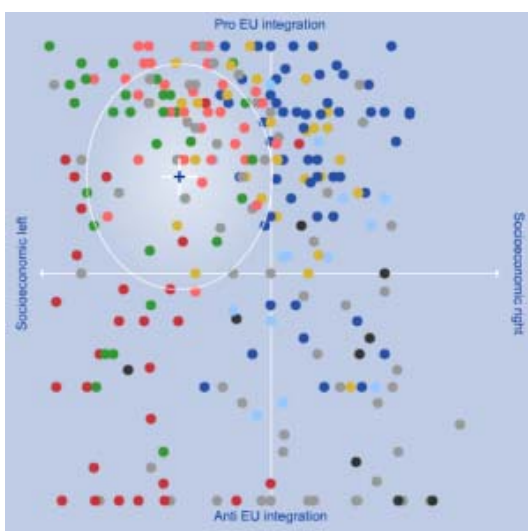


EU Profiler

Every time there's an election, there's a vote-matcher-widgety-hoojamaflit-thingie. Yes, that's a technical term and the one at EUProfiler.eu is pretty good. According to its outputs, my closest UK party is the LibDems; the main reason it didn't give me the Labour Party, it would appear, is that I am more liberal on law and order.



Perhaps slightly more interesting is the European parties version:



If I'm reading that correctly - I'm not quite sure what the difference is between the pink dots and the red dots other than that they're left parties. The UK Labour Party is the only 'left' party in the top right - pro-integration,

socioeconomic right - and the Conservatives are slap-bang on the centre line, just below the origin. That would suggest they are to the socioeconomic left of Labour. What it does show is that 'Europe' does not break down on any single axis, let alone left-right, and that both Labour and the Tories are somewhat removed from the mainstream of their respective groupings. I seem to be a pretty normal European social democrat, although the fact that I'm pretty Atlanticist doesn't factor into the equation.

As with all these vote matchers, a pinch of salt is required.

xD.

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