

What is the EU?

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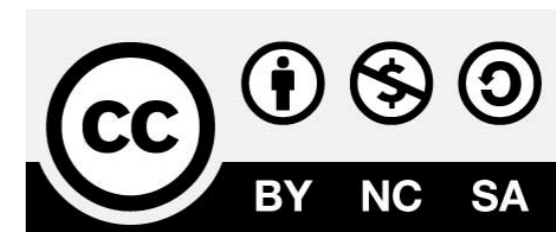
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Seriously, What is it?

- The EU is an international organization, a supranational union that pools sovereignty to create better living outcomes.
- Like the UN, they have a bunch of lofty goals.
- Unlike the UN, their level of integration is much deeper and contentious. Despite relatively strong unity, member states argue about everything from LGBTI Rights to the Economic and Monetary Union policies



The Three Centers of Power

Some examples of integration

- Basics:
 - European Single Market
 - Freedom Of Persons (Movement)
 - Freedom Of Goods
 - Freedom of Services
 - Freedom of Capital
 - Eurozone
 - European Economic and Monetary Union
 - European Banking Union
 - European Capital Markets Union
- Legal
 - Court of Justice of the European Union
 - European Law

Some questions to ask

- Can the EU be democratic? (Depends on Definition?)
- Will most Europeans accept the costs in order to get the benefits of integration?
- Can Europe exercise collective hard power?
- What is the best future for Europe?

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