



IMPORTANT
DATES FOR THE
EUROPEAN
UNION

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**7 through 10
June 1979**

The first direct elections for the European Parliament are held.



November 1, 1993

The day the EU was established

The EU and European citizenship were established when the Maastricht treaty came into force in 1993.

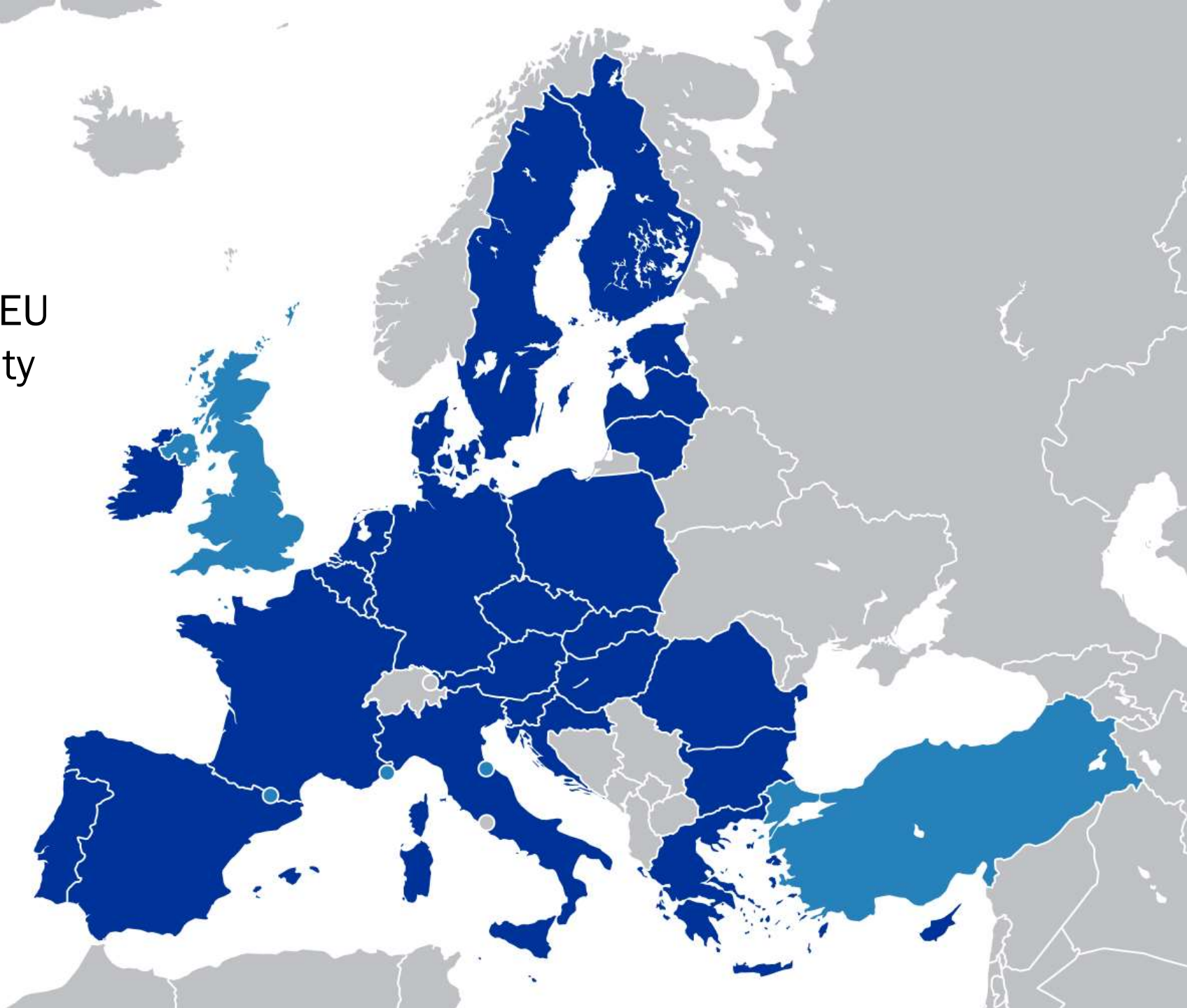


1995 Finland,
Austria and
Sweden join
the EU.



2 October 1997

The Foreign Ministers of the EU Member States sign the Treaty of Amsterdam, which revises the Treaty on the European Union.



1 January 2002

The Euro becomes the legal tender in twelve EU Member States (Belgium, Finland, France, Italy, Ireland, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, Germany, Portugal, Austria, Greece and Spain).





1 May 2004

The European Union is joined by the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Lithuania, Latvia, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia.



29 October 2004

In Rome, the Heads of the EU Member States sign the Treaty on the Constitution for Europe.

1 January
2007

Bulgaria and Romania
join the EU. Slovenia
adopts the Euro as its
currency.



17.06.2010

At a European Council meeting in Brussels, EU leaders adopt a 10-year strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth: Europe 2020.



01.04.2012

The European Citizens' Initiative becomes a reality, enabling citizens to propose EU legislation on specific issues for the first time. One million citizens from at least one quarter of EU Member States can invite the European Commission to put forward proposals for legal acts in areas where it has the power to do so.





10.12.2012

The European Union is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize 2012 at a ceremony in Oslo.

01.07. 2013

Croatia joins the EU, bringing the total number of member countries to 28. The EU now also has 24 official languages.





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