

**1946**

CHURCHILL CALLS FOR  
'THE UNITED STATES OF EUROPE'

**1951**

SIGNING OF THE ECSC

**1957**

TREATY OF ROME

**1973**

DENMARK, IRELAND AND THE UNITED  
KINGDOM BECOME MEMBERS OF THE  
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

**1986**

SPAIN AND PORTUGAL JOIN

**1989**

FALL OF THE BERLIN WALL

**1992**

EUROPEAN UNION FOUNDED

**1995**

AUSTRIA, FINLAND AND SWEDEN JOIN

**2004**

CZECH REPUBLIC, HUNGARY, LATVIA,  
LITHUANIA, POLAND, SLOVAKIA, SLOVENIA,  
CYPRUS AND MALTA JOIN

**2007**

BULGARIA AND ROMANIA JOIN

**2012**

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

**2013**

CROATIA JOINS

This man was Prime Minister of the United Kingdom during the Second World War. After World War II he called for more European collaboration, to avoid a major war in the future.

This treaty was signed under the leadership of Frenchman Robert Schuman. The idea was to prevent any single country from controlling the most important weapon resources, preventing future wars.

This treaty, signed several years after Schuman's treaty, founded the European Economic Community. It was signed by six countries.

These three countries had faith in the European Economic Community, and decided to join. Strangely enough, two of these three countries still do not use the Euro.

Until the 1970's, these countries were still under a dictatorship. When they had recovered sufficiently, they joined the European Economic Community.

This event caused a major upheaval in all countries under communist rule. Most ultimately became members of what now is the European Union.

This year saw the signing of the Maastricht treaty. Among other things, it stipulated a joint future currency in Europe. The European Community was also given a new name.

Three more countries joined the European Union in this year. One of these countries still does not use the Euro.

This was the year when many former Eastern Bloc countries joined the European Union.

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In this year, all 500 million Europeans were awarded a special prize that is normally only issued to one person (of sometimes a few). The committee awarded it to the Europeans because the EU had been investing in peace, democracy and human rights for over 60 years.

After the Balkan wars, this was the second former Yugoslavian country to join the European Union. The first was Slovenia in 2004.