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UNITED STATES OF EUROPE- THE FUTURE OF THE EU?

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The idea of forming the USE (United States of Europe) was declared by many political activists such as Winston Churchill, Martin Schulz and Alfred Heineken. The concept is to unite all the European countries into an overnational union. This idea was the basis for forming the EU and Mitteleuropa.

WHAT DOES HISTORY SAY?

At first, the main aim was for the Holy Roman Empire to conquer as many territories as possible. At that point, nobody was talking about uniting territories according to the will of citizens. Over time it has changed. Johannes Althusius was the first one to offer the idea of uniting Europe. However, the first steps towards that aim was made

by Maximilien de Béthune and his project "Grand Design of Henry". Some say that Napoleon I had an idea of having a mutual congress for European countries as they have in the US.

Victor Hugo offered his project in 1849, the aim of which was to found the USE and stimulate strong partnership between Europe and the USA. According to Hugo there should have been a Union with an imperial or republican form of government, no borders, no deficit in a budget and no free speech restrictions.



Technically, the EU corresponds to these conditions. The idea of founding the USE was included in the political program of NSDAP on the election to the Reichstag in 1928. However, Hitler wasn't supporting it. In 1946 Winston Churchill announced that it was necessary to unite Europe. George Kennedy once said that the partnership between the USA and USE would have a great impact on the geopolitical situation.



FUTURE PERSPECTIVE

In 2002 ex-president of France Valéry René Marie Georges Giscard d'Estaing offered to found the congress of Europe, elect the president and rename EU to USE. The project was supported by UK, France and Spain.

In 2017 Martin Schulz announced that there is a need to form the USE by the end of 2025. According to him, the document of uniting countries should be offered for a ratification. Those countries, which don't ratify it, will have to leave the union. The concept is supported by 30% of the population of Germany, 28% in France, 12% in Denmark, 13% in Finland.

The main reason for not supporting the project is the fear of losing national identity. There are some conspiracy theories around that idea as well. Nevertheless, the founding of the USE is the main path for Europe to develop.



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BENEFITS OF EU MEMBERSHIP

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BASIC INFORMATION

Membership has a positive impact on the economy and provided several competitive advantages.

Following six main priorities:

- * Economic development
- * Transport development
- * Social renewal
- * Environment and energy development
- * Regional development
- * State reform

GENERAL ADVANTAGES:

Membership in a community of stability, democracy, security and prosperity;

Stimulus to GDP growth, more jobs, higher wages and pensions. It also contributes to the economic development of poorer states through direct subsidies. Nations of Europe working together, so it has created a society that is somewhat borderless for travel purposes, because of the EU, many young

people are reaping the full benefits of freedom of movement between EU Member States and it's also helpful for the nations to modernise their country. EU useful for students, they get to know another education system, the culture of another country, practice a foreign language and encourage institutions to cooperate. You can use your mobile phone and access its online services in any EU country at no extra cost. Environmental standards to protect EU citizens and their environment are among the highest in the world. The EU, together with the governments of the member states, has set clear goals for the future to reduce pollution.





RACISM OR SOCIAL PROTECTION, WHERE IS THE "GOLDEN MEAN"?

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RACISM NOWADAYS

In the age of globalization, the frequency of discrimination in the field of race notably decreased. In European countries, there are widespread principles of non-discrimination on any ground (sex, race, religion ext.) as declared in the European Convention on Human Rights (Article 14). Also, we see the tendency of disapproval of direct racism in society. But indirect racism still takes place in our life. For example, statistics represent that low-skilled labor of foreigners is widely used while

Europeans mostly work in highly skilled positions. Furthermore, living in Europe Roma minority has difficulties with integration into society and almost no access to healthcare and education.

SOCIAL PROTECTION FROM RACISM

Firstly, all people deserve to fulfill their human rights and freedoms in spite of their race. But there are some common restrictions made by states to protect national minorities.

For instance, in European countries, it is a widespread practice to have separate settlements for national minorities, where they use their native languages, cuisines etc. Although there are some frames to protect the national identity and traditional lifestyle of the indigenous nations of the country, which is legal and appropriate. For example, the common age of Roma peoples' marriage is about 13-14 years old, but there is no state in EU that would change the minimum age for marriage (18 years old) for that reason.



WHERE IS THE "GOLDEN MEAN"?

The answer to this question is easy and difficult at the same time. Of course, the phenomenon of racism has no place in the future of civilized society. But there is no solution without action. It is important for every citizen not to tolerate any act of racism. So, we should also keep the balance and don't admit a "positive discrimination", which also produces inequality. For instance, if one group of persons have privileges for employment because of being of another race, they may get a better job in spite of not having appropriate competencies.



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WHICH ARE THE FOUNDING COUNTRIES?

WHO IS IN THE PICTURE AND HOW IS HE CONNECTED TO THE EUROPEAN UNION?



HOW MANY COUNTRIES HAVE THE EURO AS THEIR CURRENCY IN THE EU ?

WICH COUNTRY IS THE NORTHERNMOST IN THE EUROPEAN UNION?

WHERE IS THE EU PARLAMENT LOCATED?

WHEN UNITED KINGDOM DECIDED TO QUIT FROM THE EU?

WHAT THE FLAG SYMBOLISES?

WHO IS IN THE PICTURE AND HOW IS SHE CONNECTED TO THE EUROPEAN UNION?

