

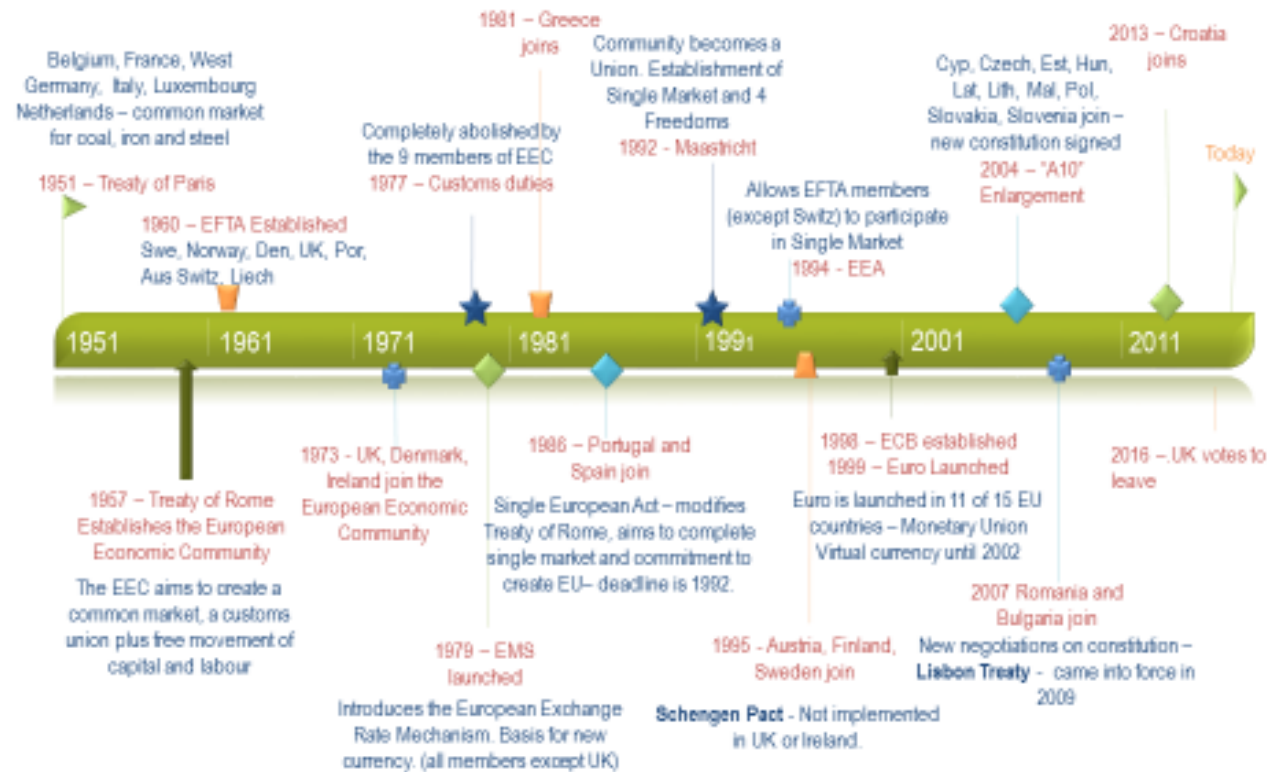
Brexit impact on UHI update

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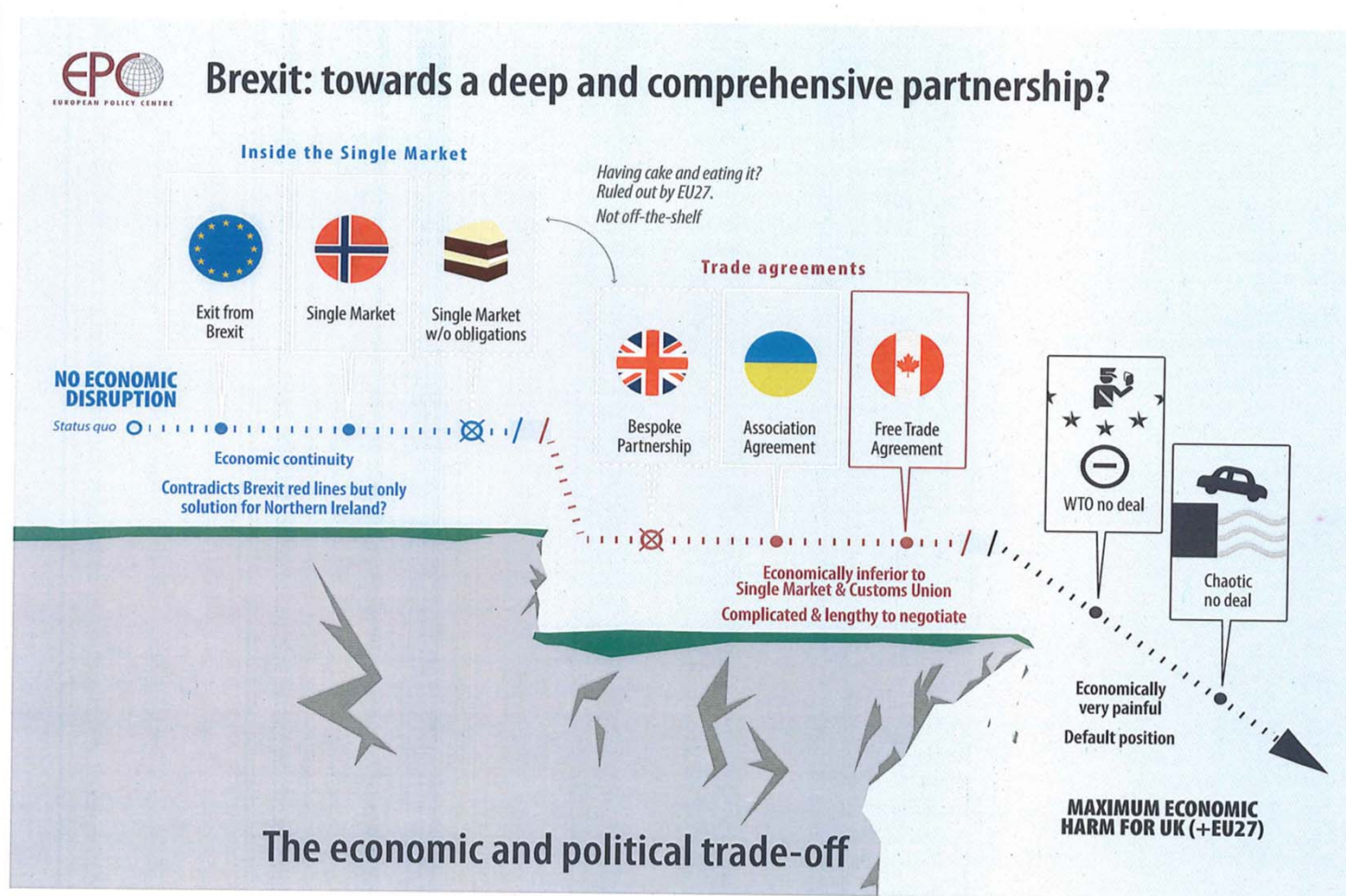
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Timeline?

Evolution of the EU and European Single Market



Progress?



Options?

Europe's Ties That Bind

The U.K.'s plan to leave the European Union has focused attention on long-standing pacts that govern trade, immigration and the common currency

European Union

28-nation single market of free trade and shared regulation; includes "free movement" of goods, services, capital and people

Euro Zone

19 countries using the euro currency

European Economic Area

Provides access to single market in exchange for payments; has "emergency brake" on free movement of people

European Free Trade Association

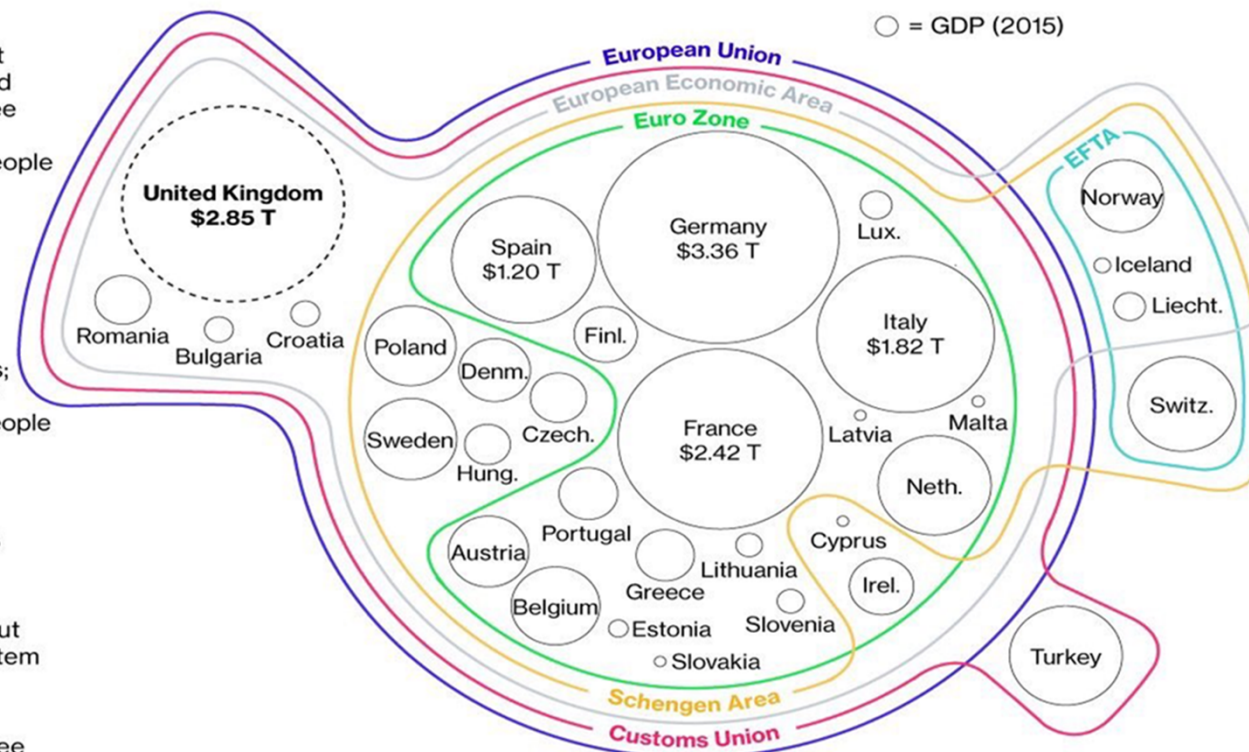
Free-trade zone and network of agreements with other countries

Customs Union

Circulates goods without duties, has uniform system for handling imports

Schengen Area

26-country passport-free travel zone



Sources: EU, ETRA, IMF

Bloomberg Graphics



UHI concerns?

- ESIF – current
- Other EU programmes - current
- ESIF – longer-term
- Other EU programmes – longer-term
- UHI non-UK EU students and staff



Action?

- Monitor evolving situation and new intelligence
- Input to regional and national debate
- Close liaison across partnership – and with externals, eg HIEP, COHI, Scotland Europa, Scottish Govt
- Prioritisation of funding applications prior to Brexit
- Sabhal Mòr Ostaig actions?

