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Access to European Union law

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Glossary of summaries

Α

- Abstention, constructive (positive abstention)
- Accession criteria (Copenhagen criteria)
- Accession negotiations
- Accession partnership
- Accession process to the EU
- Acquis
- Actions for damages
- Actions for failure to act
- Actions for failure to fulfil an obligation
- Adaptation to climate change
- Advanced computing
- African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Group of States
- Animal welfare
- Annual sustainable growth strategy
- Annulment
- Antitrust control
- Appeal
- Appointment of the European Commission President and Commissioners
- Arbitration clause
- Area of freedom, security and justice
- Atypical acts

Audiovisual media services directive

B

- Banking union
- Biodiversity
- Border checks
- Brake clauses
- Broad economic policy guidelines (BEPGs)

С

- Candidate countries
- Capital markets union
- <u>CE Marking</u>
- Charter of Fundamental Rights
- Circular economy
- Citizens' initiative
- Civil protection
- Civil Service Tribunal
- Civil society organisation
- Climate action
- Close cooperation within the Single Supervisory Mechanism
- Codification
- Collective defence
- Comitology
- Common agricultural policy (CAP)
- Common fisheries policy (CFP)
- Common Foreign and Security Policy and Common Security and Defence Policy
- Common foreign and security policy (CFSP)
- Common organisation of agricultural markets (CMO)
- Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP)
- Competition
- Competitiveness
- Composition of the European Commission
- Conciliation Committee
- Connecting Europe Facility (CEF)
- Consent procedure
- Consolidation
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- Consultation procedure
- Consumer protection
- Content portability
- Convergence criteria
- Copernicus
- <u>CORDIS</u>
- Coreper
- COREU (CORespondance EUropéenne)
- Corporate social responsibility (CSR)
- COSME
- Council of the European Union
- Council preparatory bodies
- Court of Justice
- Court of Justice of the European Union
- Customs union
- Cybersecurity

D

- Data governance
- Data protection
- Decision
- Delegated acts
- Democratic deficit
- Digital Europe programme
- Digital finance
- Digital identity
- Digital public services
- Directive
- Division of competences

Ε

- Eastern Partnership
- Economic and Monetary Union (EMU)
- Economic governance
- Economic policy
- Economic, social and territorial cohesion
- Ecosystem
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- Ecosystem services
- Education
- e-Health
- Electronic communication networks
- Electronic communications
- Electronic communications code
- Electronic communications services
- Employment
- Employment Committee
- Enforcement of EU law
- Enhanced cooperation
- EntreComp
- Environmental liability
- Equality between women and men
- Equal opportunities
- EU audiovisual policy
- EU budget
- EU citizenship
- EU copyright
- EU culture policy
- EU defence and defence industry policy
- .eu domain
- EU drugs policy
- EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS)
- EU energy policy
- EU Enlargement policy
- EU enterprise policy
- EU environmental policy
- EU governance
- EU hierarchy of norms
- EU justice policy
- EU law
- EU legal instruments
- Euratom programme
- EURES European Network of Employment Services
- Euro
- Euro area
- Eurogroup

- Eurojust
- European arrest warrant
- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
- European Banking Authority (EBA)
- European Central Bank (ECB)
- European Commission
- European Committee of the Regions
- European Company
- European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR)
- European Council
- European Court of Auditors
- European Data Protection Supervisor
- European Development Fund
- European digital decade
- European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)
- European Economic Area (EEA)
- European education area
- European Employment Strategy (EES)
- European External Action Service (EEAS)
- European Free Trade Association (EFTA)
- European Fund for Sustainable Development
- European Globalisation Adjustment Fund for Displaced Workers
- European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA)
- European Investment Bank (EIB)
- European Judicial Network (EJN)
- European neighbourhood policy
- European Ombudsman
- European Parliament
- European Pillar of Social Rights
- European political parties
- European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO)
- European Research Area (ERA)
- European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA)
- European security and defence identity
- European semester
- European Social Fund (ESF)
- European Stability Mechanism
- European Supervisory Authorities (ESAs)

- European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB)
- European System of Central Banks
- European System of Financial Supervision
- European Union
- European Union agencies
- European Union artificial intelligence policy
- European Union industrial policy
- European Union institutions
- European Union Trust Funds
- European Years
- Europol (European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation)
- Eurosystem
- EU space policy
- EU tax policy
- EU Trade policy
- EU transport policy
- Excessive deficit procedure (EDP)
- Excessive imbalance procedure

F

- Fight against fraud
- Fight against organised crime
- Fight against racism and xenophobia
- Fight against terrorism
- Financial services policy and financial stability
- Food safety
- Free movement of capital
- Free movement of goods
- Free movement of services
- Free movement of workers
- Fundamental rights

G

- Galileo
- General Court
- Generalised system of preferences (GSP)
- Genetically modified organisms (GMO)
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- Geoblocking
- Globalisation of the economy
- Green economy
- Green paper

Н

- Hazardous waste
- High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy
- Horizon 2020
- Horizon Europe
- Humanitarian aid
- Human rights

- Implementing acts
- Implied powers
- Independent courts
- Institutional balance
- Integrated political crisis response (IPCR)
- Intellectual Property
- Internal market
- Internal Security Strategy (ISS)
- International agreements
- International cooperation
- Ioannina compromise

J

- Joint undertakings
- Judicial cooperation in civil matters

K

Kyoto Protocol

L

- Legal acts

Legal personality of the EU

- Legislative acts
- Legislative proposals

Μ

- Macroeconomic Imbalance Procedure (MIP)
- Member States
- Mergers
- Migration and asylum
- Mitigation of climate change
- Monetary policy
- Money laundering
- Multiannual financial framework (MFF)
- Mutual defence clause

Ν

- National Parliaments and EU decision-making
- NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organisation)
- Natura 2000
- Nature protection
- Neighbourhood, Development and International Cooperation Instrument Global Europe (NDICI-Global Europe)
- NextGenerationEU
- Next Generation Internet
- Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics (NUTS)
- Non-discrimination (the principle of)
- Non-legislative acts
- Non-legislative procedures

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- Official Journal of the European Union
- OLAF (European Anti-Fraud Office)
- Online platforms
- Open internet and net neutrality
- Open method of coordination
- Opinion
- Opting out

- Ordinary legislative procedure (Codecision)
- Outermost regions
- Overseas countries and territories (OCTs)
- Own resources

Ρ

- Paris Agreement
- Parliamentary committees
- Passerelle clauses
- Permanent structured cooperation
- PESCO Permanent Structured Cooperation
- Petersberg tasks
- Petitions
- Police and judicial cooperation in criminal matters
- Political and Security Committee (PSC)
- Pre-accession assistance
- Pre-accession strategy
- Precautionary principle
- Presidency of the Council of the European Union
- President of the European Commission
- President of the European Council
- Primacy of EU law (precedence, supremacy)
- Principle of conferral
- Principle of proportionality
- Principle of subsidiarity
- Public health
- Public procurement
- Public service

Q

Qualified majority

R

- Ratification process
- REACH (regulatory framework for chemicals)
- Recasting of legislation
- Recommendation

- Regulation
- Reinforced qualified majority
- Research and development
- Restrictive measures (sanctions)
- Revision of the treaties
- Right of initiative
- Roaming
- Rule of law
- Rural development

S

- Safer internet for kids
- Sanctions (restrictive measures)
- Schengen Agreement and Convention
- Screening
- Services of general economic interest
- Simple majority
- Simplification of legislation
- Single digital gateway
- Single resolution mechanism
- Single supervisory mechanism
- Small and medium-sized enterprises
- Social dialogue
- Social economy
- Social partners
- Social policy
- Social services of general interest (SSGIs)
- Solidarity clause
- Specialised courts
- Special legislative procedure
- Stabilisation and association process
- Stability and Growth Pact
- Standardisation
- Standing Committee on Internal Security
- State aid
- Statute for Members of the European Parliament
- Structural and Investment Funds

Subsidiary powers

- Suspension clause (Article 7 of the Treaty on European Union)
- Sustainable development
- Sustainable development goals
- Sustainable finance

Т

- TAIEX (Technical Assistance and Information Exchange)
- Telephone calls within the EU
- The Community and intergovernmental methods
- The European Union's external action
- Trans-European networks (TENs)
- Transparency (access to documents)
- Transparency of Council proceedings
- Transposition
- Treaties
- Trilogue
- Trio
- Twinning

U

- Unanimity
- Uniform electoral procedure for the European Parliament
- Union for the Mediterranean
- Unitary patent
- Universal service

V

Vocational training

W

- Waste hierarchy
- Web accessibility
- Weighting of votes in the Council
- White paper
- Withdrawal from the European Union

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 - Youth

Ζ

Zero pollution