

EUROPEAN UNION 's MENU, 'Pick and Choose' - 2015

EU member states / menu	Euro currency	EBU/ 'FC' ¹	ESM ²	Patent Court ³	EA of FSJ ⁴	Security & Order ⁵	Schengen -area	NATO (p.m.)
Belgium	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Bulgaria		(x) ⁶		x	x	x		x
Cyprus	x	x	x	x	x	x		x
Denmark		x-		x		x	x- ⁷	x
Germany	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Estonia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Finland	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
France	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Greece	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Great-Britain				x	(x)			x
Hungary				x	x	x	x	x
Ireland	x	x	x	x	(x)	x		
Italy	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Croatia					x	x		
Latvia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Lithuania	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Luxemburg	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Malta	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Netherlands	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Austria	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Poland					x	x	x	x
Portugal	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Romania		x-		x	x	x		x
Slovenia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Slovakia	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Spain	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
Czech Republic				x	x	x	x	x
Sweden				x	x	x	x	

(review of attachments in essay 'De Ziekte van Europa' by Guy Verhofstadt, De Bezige Bij, 2015)

¹ Budget Pact or Fiscal Compact: Member States should limit a deficit on annual budgets to 3%.

² European Stability Mechanism Treaty (2012) creates a fund, subject to conditions, to lend on the short term to, or to buy government bonds of Euro Member States in acute need of money.

³ Unified Patent Court Agreement (2013) between 25 signatory States – some have already ratified this treaty, creating judicial courts for patents. It is in operation since 2014.

⁴ Area of Freedom, Security and Justice: art. 3 & 6, TEU and TFEU, mainly Title V (Lisbon, 2009), about fundamental rights, access to the territory (asylum & visa), justice and police. Denmark: 'opt out'. 'Opt in' on ad hoc basis (x) for Great Britain and Ireland (Protocols nos. 21 & 22, 2009).

⁵ Treaty of Prüm (2005) promoting cooperation in the field of border police, directed against terrorism, cross-border crime and illegal migration. Member States with an "x" in bold face are completely tied to the Treaty, other Member States are only tied ad hoc.

⁶ Bulgaria is tied to the fiscal provisions of the 'Fiscal Compact' (FC). Denmark and Romania (both with 'x-') are tied to the fiscal and economic provisions of the FC.

⁷ Denmark is part of the Schengen zone, but it has an 'opt out' for each new decision.