



THE EUROPEAN UNION



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overview**



**The Copenhagen
criteria**

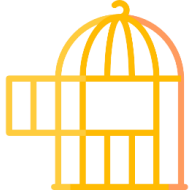


**The members'
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Definition

"A **group of countries** that operates as a united **economic and political block**"

Goals



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Origin



- **1992:** Maastricht Treaty
- **1993:** European Council in Copenhagen

Criteria



Geographic



Political



Economic



Legislative



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Competences

Exclusive



has exclusive competence



has to implement directives

Shared*



has competence



has competence where the EU hasn't exercised competence

Supporting



carries out political mediation



has exclusive competence



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