

## Appendix E

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### The EU and EEA countries

#### The European Union

Established as the 'European Communities' by the Treaty of Rome, 1957.

\* = founder members

Country	Date Joined
Austria	1995
Belgium	*
Cyprus	2004
Czech Republic	2004
Denmark	1973
Estonia	2004
Finland	1995
France	*
Germany	*
Greece	1981
Hungary	2004
Ireland	1973
Italy	*
Latvia	2004
Lithuania	2004
Luxembourg	*
Malta	2004
The Netherlands	*
Poland	2004
Portugal	1986
Slovenia	2004
Slovakia	2004
Spain	1986
Sweden	1995
United Kingdom	1973

The European Economic Area (EEA) includes the EU Member States as above, plus Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein.

CENELEC includes all the above, plus Switzerland.

Two more countries – Bulgaria and Romania – are expected to join the EU in 2007. Two others, Croatia and Turkey, are also beginning negotiations for EU membership.