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## 1 | The Rise of Europe in the 1500s

According to Kennedy [\[KBhHIST201KennedyCh1\]](#), there are two major reasons that caused the rise of Europe in the 1500s:

### The Political Fragmentation (and why that's good)

See [\[KBhHIST201PoliticalFragmentationofEurope\]](#)

### The Take Over of the West

See [\[KBhHIST201EuropesWesternTakeover\]](#)