

The European Union at 60

Heads of State or Government of the EU-27 marked the 60th anniversary of the European Union's founding Treaty of Rome on 25 March 2017, with pledges to seek closer unity, improve internal and external security, boost economic growth and employment, reduce social inequalities and bolster the bloc's global role. Their [Rome Declaration](#) outlines principles to help re-launch the Union after its recent economic and migration crises, last year's Brexit vote, and the shock effect of Donald Trump's election as US President.

This note offers links to recent **commentaries, studies and reports from major international think tanks** on the state of the EU and possible reforms. Earlier studies on the challenges facing the EU can be found in a February [edition](#) of 'What Think Tanks are Thinking.'

[The Rome Declaration: An imperfect display of unity](#)

European Policy Centre, March 2017

[The long road to peace: Europe at 60](#)

European Council on Foreign Policy, March 2017

[What future for Europe at its anniversary?](#)

German Marshall Fund, March 2017

[60th anniversary of the Treaties of Rome: What now for the EU?](#)

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[60 years after Rome: How is the EU really doing?](#)

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[Can core Europe move forward without a core?](#)

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[EU60 La pédagogie de l'interdépendance](#)

Confrontations Europe, March 2017

[The awakening](#)

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[Sixty years later European integration has benefited EU countries](#)

Rand Corporation, March 2017

[L'Europe dont nous avons besoin](#)

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[The closing of the European mind, and how to reopen it](#)

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[Brexit and a multi-speed Europe: A lawyer's perspective](#)

Bertelsmann Stiftung, Jacques Delors Institute Berlin, March 2017

[Something is moving in the EU \(at various speeds\)](#)

Barcelona Centre for International Affairs, March 2017

[What future for Europe?](#)

Bruegel, March 2017

[As the U.K. prepares to leave, is Europe disintegrating after 60 Years?](#)

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[A Franco-German defence deal for Europe](#)

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[What a Le Pen win would look like for France and the EU](#)

Chatham House, March 2017

[Rome's reality check: The next 60 years will be an uphill struggle](#)

Friends of Europe, March 2017

[European spring: Trust in the EU and democracy is recovering](#)

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[European identity and the economic crisis](#)

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[Europe: Looking back, looking forward](#)

Carnegie Europe, March 2017

[Differentiated integration: A way forward for Europe](#)

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[Differentiated integration and the EU: A variable geometry legitimacy](#)

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[Differentiation in CFSP: Potential and limits](#)

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[Police and border controls cooperation at the EU level: Dilemmas, opportunities and challenges of a differentiated approach](#)

Instituto Affari Internazionali, March 2017

[Juncker's White Paper has the answers, and that is the great tragedy](#)

Heinrich Böll Stiftung, March 2017

[EU at a crossroads: European Commission lays out 5 scenarios for the Union's future](#)

Polish Institute for International Affairs, March 2017

[A more powerful European Council: Old and new trends](#)

Finnish Institute of International Affairs, March 2017

[Trump needs a strong European partner](#)

Atlantic Council, March 2017

[A message to Europe: Let's stick together](#)

Atlantic Council, March 2017

[Regroup and reform: Ideas for a more responsive and effective European Union](#)

Centre for European Policy Studies, February 2017

[The lessons of 60 years of 'Rome' and 25 years of 'Maastricht'](#)

Clingendael, February 2017

[More Union in European Union](#)

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Centre for European Policy Studies, February 2017

[La UE ante uno de sus años más difíciles](#)

Fundacion Real Instituto Elcano, February 2017

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