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# Is the EU rapidly going bust?

study by Facts4EU raises the question of "Is the EU rapidly going bust?" Bankruptcies soar to highest level on record

EU insolvencies rocketed up by 27% in the last quarter alone (but only by 7% in Brexit Britain)....

It's possible that the highest demand for services in the EU right now is for insolvency practitioners, judging from the exponential rise in company bankruptcies taking place there. In the last quarter of 2022 these rose by 27% on the previous quarter. In the UK the rise was just 7%.

Below we show the worrying picture. With Remainer (Rejoiners) continually trying to present the EU as the land of milk and honey .... what is really happening 'over there'.

Bankruptcies in the EU per quarter,

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Q4 2020 – Q4 2022
2020-Q4:73.2
2021-Q1:79.0
2021-Q2 : 72.1
2021-Q3:73.2
2021-Q4 : 72.7
2022-Q1:73.6
2022-Q2:75.9
2022-Q3:89.2
2022-Q4 : 113.1

[Source EU Commission's official statistics agency, 17th Feb 2023.]

(We have used the EU's own data with their index of 2015=100, and exactly-the- same scale used by the EU on their chart.)

How is Brexit Britain doing by comparison (using latest figures)?

Readers are well-aware of the tough economic times in which we all live. The UK has certainly not been immune to the cold winds affecting all countries, stemming from the disastrously expensive expenditure by governments on lockdowns and then Putin's illegal invasion of Ukraine which sent energy prices through the roof.

Nevertheless, here are the figures for the last quarter of 2022 – the latest information we have.

Rise in company insolvencies in Q4 2022 compared with the previous quarter:

European Union: +26.8% Brexit Britain: +6.7%

[Sources: EU Commission's statistics agency and the UK's Office for National Statistics. ONS percentage rise is for England and Wales. All seasonally adjusted.]

So, the UK has also seen a rise in company bankruptcies but in the final quarter of 2022 these accelerated in the EU at a rate almost four times faster than in Brexit Britain.

Large parts of the EU's economy have been affected:

"...the number of declarations of bankruptcies in the fourth quarter of 2022 was higher in the majority of sectors of the economy"

[EU Commission statistics agency, 17th Feb 2023]

The EU's bankruptcies are affecting nearly all sectors, from transportation and storage (+72.2%), to industry, to construction, to accommodation and food services, to professional and financial services, to education, and to health and social activities.

Whether it's inflation, unemployment, growth, or anything else, it seems that everywhere we look the EU is doing worse than – or facing very similar problems to – the UK. They also have problems with shortages of workers, they have major supply chain issues, and recently in Germany, for example, almost all planes were grounded thanks to strikes.

For any business to have to close its doors is a tragedy for many people; for those who lose their jobs, for those who started the business often putting their own savings into it, or who remortgaged their house for a bank loan - even for wider members of the local community there is an impact.

The point about our report above is certainly not to gloat that the UK appears to have done considerably better than the EU in the final quarter of last year. The point is to show up the perfectly ridiculous arch-Rejoiners for whom every-last, tiny little difficulty that crops up in the UK is due to Brexit.

"See Brexit isn't working", they tell the public and the media incessantly. Their obsession is almost pathological. When they attack us on social media every day, they do so by hurling abuse or insulting us. They almost never try to answer facts with facts - because they have none. On the rare occasions they do try to spout some fact, it is not relevant to the topic. This is known as deflection.

For those readers who choose to reply to OCD Rejoiners (we don't as we found it pointless), we recommend saying "Stick to the subject. You're deflecting because you have no answer."

**Source:** *Full report with more details available at www.Facts 4eu.org.* 

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# Germany's pollution rate increases

hy UK citizens are suffering high levels of price inflation due to world events, parliaments head-long rush for zero emissions is making a bad situation much worse.

When it comes to the real facts regarding carbon emissions, even if the UK does achieve the zero level we are currently paying for, the world level will still increase. This is due to the increasing carbon emissions of other countries like China, India, and Russia to name but a few.

While the UK is reducing the use of coal for energy production, Germany its increasing its use of coal to produce

The Kremlin's overt threats against Sweden and Finland followed by Russia's invasion of Ukraine have caused both countries to seek Nato membership.

An equally important reason was the necessity to re-assert their sovereignty and show solidarity show solidarity with geopolitically exposed Ukraine. Russian attempts to deny smaller neighbours genuine political

on three nuclear power station despite being a country where the Greens are part of the three coalition partners in the government. Germany had 17 nuclear power

stations, now it has no working stations, thanks to Angela Merkels's policy, instead it is using coal fired stations to take up the demand for energy. So much for net zero commitments.

In 2022 Germany used 31.0% of coal to produce power, compared to the UK use of 1.6%. This means that Germany's use of coal to generate electricity was over 19 times that of the

### Nato membership

independence is a worry to all.

Now, Finland has joined the alliance after ratification by all 30 member states. This development is good for Finland, for the Baltic Sea region including Sweden, for Europe and the transatlantic Alliance at large.

Finland's Nato accession promises to stabilise the region and facilitate effective deterrence that can draw on the economic strength and defence

energy. Germany has closed it's last UK.

[Source: Our World in Data/Ember, Oxford University, accessed 17th April 2023.]

Now Germany will increase that amount significantly.

While the UK suffers the financial burden of trying to get to net zero, Germany like the rest of the world pollutes the atmosphere at a greater rate and much of that blows across Europe including the UK.

The drive to net zero may be a good cause but it should be done at a sensible financial rate for the citizens of the UK.

forces of almost all market-oriented, democratic, and largely well-organised countries in the region.

Meanwhile, Sweden's Nato accession, however, remains on hold due to Hungary and the Republic of Turkey. The outcome of May's elections in Turkey may or may not influence its position. Hungary's parliamentary consent seems to be a lesser problem.

## EU needs media freedom

While we in the UK worry about press intrusion and media bias perhaps, we should spare a thought for EU members.

A new report by the Civil Liberties Union for Europe shows that media freedom and pluralism continue to erode across the bloc. In some member states, new trends signal threats to media freedom where it has long been taken for granted; in others, free and independent journalism is nearing its

We now hear that a majority of the European Parliament's political groups issued a joint letter on the April 24th criticising Hungarian prime minister Viktor Orbán's government final breath.

The EU should use the upcoming Media Freedom Act as well as existing tools to reverse this slide.

Withering media pluralism is one of the greatest threats facing Europe's media landscape. Access to diverse sources of news and editorial analysis allows people to consider many ideas and opinions and make up their own minds about issues of public interest.

With concentrated media owner-

EU criticises Hungary again

and urged the EU Commission not to release funds to the country. The Christian Democrat, Social Democrat, liberal Renew and Green groups with the smaller Left group warned that the ship, there is a risk that media outlets can be used to push a specific agenda or political view or business interest, often to serve as a tool of the owners.

In many EU countries, such as the Czech Republic and France, news outlets are heavily concentrated in the hands of a few powerful people. In Hungary, the government's control of the media landscape, either directly or through friendly oligarchs, remains unchanged.

latest legislative developments in Hungary "will further contribute to undermining" EU values and the deterioration of the rule of law, fundamental rights, and democracy.

## **Book reviews**

This fascinating publication that de-bunks the fear factors used over the years like; over population; war on nature; acid rain; the hole in the ozone layer; nuclear holocaust; ice age; water and food shortages and the threat of depletion of natural resources. Including the latest fear of global warming with names and organisations of those responsible for the supposed threats.

Furthermore, it shows how the assumption that future outcomes can be deduced from the present is wrong. It also explains why eco-socialism is as it puts it an ideology merging tenets of socialism with green politics and ecology. The IPCC global fear report is also shown to be an unreliable source of actual information.

The pamphlet is broken down into seven parts;

1. Explains 'saturation' of atmospheric CO2 - how CO2 at preindustrial level of concentration has

A ccording to a newly published book by the Bruges Group from Bob Lyddon, the EU and Eurozone debt are a risk to global financial stability.

How the EU and Eurozone member states understated their debts at the end of 2021 by 44% of EU GDP and their total liabilities by 70%. This represents a major risk to global financial stability, as the understatement causes shortfalls of capital and collateral at the financial institutions that do business with EU public sector entities, who are to be found inside and outside the EU.

Debts of around  $\notin 6.4$  trillion failed to be registered in the key measure tracked by Eurostat - 'General government gross debt'. Eurostat's statement of member state contingent liabilities was woefully adrift: they amounted to around  $\notin 3.8$  trillion and represented member states' obligations to back the EU itself, other EU supranational entities, and - for

### **Derek Sterling**

Climate

**Eco-Socialism** *by Jeremy Nieboer* The Bruges Group Pbk - 2023 - 107 pp

Available from *The June Press* Price £15.00 + 10% p&p (see back cover)

ISBN 978-1-7393152-0-7

already absorbed all available radiation from the Earth's surface.....

2. Explains the propagation of global warming dogma by use of deceit and inducing fear and guilt.....

3. Describes the emergence of the modern world with the coming of the industrial age in England. Reviews the emergence and rise of the open market economy, banking institutions and investment exchanges....

4. Analyses 19th century concerns

as to perceived impacts of the industrial revolution as to population, food, and energy resources.... Reviews the notion of "sustainability" and emerging eco-socialism.

5. Describes how in just four years from 1988-1992 post-war environmentalism was subverted and replaced by eco-socialism and its single global warming dogma....

6. Analyses of the open market in relation to eco-socialism.... Examines how propaganda has secured submission to an eco-socialist global warming dogma.

7. Shows how liberal democracy and open markets have transformed human existence on every measure of wellbeing - life expectancy: elimination of disease: food and famine: defeat of poverty: safety: security; tolerance: freedoms: prosperity and human development.

Concludes that we live in a golden age and upon broad and sunlit uplands.

Risk to global financial stability

Eurozone members and the European Central Bank (ECB).

At year-end 2021 Eurostat recorded the EU's 'General government gross debt' as  $\notin 13.0$  trillion, which was 90% of EU GDP of  $\notin 14.5$  trillion. EU public sector debt, including the shadow debts, was nearer to  $\notin 19.4$  trillion, or 134% of EU GDP. Including EU public sector contingent liabilities as well, the total liability rose to nearly  $\notin 23.2$ trillion, or 160% of GDP.

Contingent liabilities are in the main guarantees, such as to pay in extra capital to the European Investment Bank should it be required, or to recapitalise the European Central Bank should it make losses on its programmes, in the same way that the UK taxpayer is exposed for up to £133 billion, according to Reuters, for the Bank of England unwinding its Quantitative Easing. The additions mean that the Debt-to-GDP Ratios of individual member states were, for example, 298.4% in the case of Greece compared to Eurostat's 193.3%. Italy's was 222.6% rather than 150.8%. France's rose from 112.9% to 147.5%. Germanys was above the UK's, going from 69.3% to 102.8%.

It was even worse when the contingent liabilities were factored in as well: Greece sat at 337.1%, Italy at 258.4%, France at 178.0% and Germany at 130.5%.

These figures do not reflect the worst-case for member states should one or more of their number default, member states cross-guarantee one another in a variety of ways, such that the liabilities of the stronger member states are open to escalation beyond 130.5% for Germany and 178.0% for France.

The book "*The Shadow Liabilities* of *EU Member States*, and the threat they pose to global financial stability", price £15.00 is available from the June Press, see rear page for details.

# Gains from Brexit three years on

Three years after the UK left the EU on 31st January 2020 and two years after the exit from the Single Market on 31st December 2020 there is a surprisingly long list of achievements, regaining legislative autonomy, ending annual payments for access to the Single Market and the embrace of 'ever closer union'.

"We have taken back control of our laws. Henceforth we will make our own. We may do it well or badly. But we can hold our lawmakers to account...." (Lord Lilley)

In the last 2 years the UK Government has taken advantage of the opportunities the Brexit has afforded in the following ways:

**Covid vaccines -** The UK set up its own Covid 19 task force to procure vaccines and did not join the EU's vaccine procurement strategy.

The UK's roll out was faster than the EU's. The UK provided a first vaccination to more than 40% of its population, whereas the EU was stuck around 12-14% in March 2021. The UK also funded the development of the Oxford, AstraZeneca vaccine, which was passed for use in the UK's medical agency before it was passed in the EU

As a cheap vaccine requiring no refrigeration, this vaccine then became used in more countries than any other vaccine....

**Freeports -** The UK is now setting up eight free ports in England and two 'green ports' in Scotland to boost growth. Free Ports were championed by PM Rishi Sunak MP in 2016 as a backbencher in a CPS report 'the Freeports opportunity'.

While Free Ports do exist in the EU, the freedom from EU law, including on EU state aid (anti subsidy law), give the UK more flexibility to allow tax exemptions.... In addition, the ability to go further in other areas such as import duty deferral while the goods remain on site, and 'duty inversion' if the finished goods exiting the Freeport attract a lower tariff than their component parts.

### **Christopher Howarth**

Promoting innovation: A 'Common Law' approach to better regulation.

Much of the restrictive nature of today's regulatory environment is due to the influence of the EU's approach to regulation. The UK's traditional uncodified systems of common law and Scots law was exchanged during our period of EU membership for a more 'Napoleonic', code-based, civil law approach....

The REUL Bill - The Government is legislating to end the separate category of 'retained EU law', given special protection from repeal. The passing of this legislation will allow the Government to tailor thousands of UK regulations to the UK's economy free of the need to pass separate Acts of Parliament.

The 'Edinburgh reforms' – freeing up £100bn for investment -The Government has freed up capital for investment in the UK economy by changing over restrictive EU solvency rules (Solvency II). This is expected to unlock over £100 billion of private funds (currently held in restricted investment categories) for investment in productive assets such as UK infrastructure.

The changes diverging from EU law include to the 'risk margin', a capital buffer that insurance companies must hold. This will be cut by 65% for life insurers and 30% for general insurers. The eligibility of assets that life insurers can use to match their liabilities will also be broadened.

The reforms are also designed to improve the competitiveness of the UK's important financial services industry.

TheGeneticTechnology(PrecisionBreeding)Bill- TheGeneticTechnology(PrecisionBreeding)Bill(currently at reportstage in the Lords)would not bepossible within the EU and promises tomake the UK a centre for ground-breaking research.Gideon Henderson,Defra's chief scientific adviser has said

of the Bill:

"The ability to use gene editing to make precise, targeted changes to the genetic code of organisms, in a way that can mimic traditional breeding, enables development of new crop varieties that are more resistant to pests, healthier to eat, and more resilient to drought and heat as climate changes."

World class biotech regulatory system attracting investment -Building on its success developing covid vaccines the FT reported that German Covid-19 vaccine maker BioNTech will open a research and development centre with 75 staff in Cambridge and will enrol up to 10,000 patients in UK clinical trials for cancer treatments.

"Özlem Türeci, BioNTech's cofounder and chief medical officer, said the UK was an "obvious" choice for the clinical trials because of its "exceptionally agile" regulator, the NHS's ability to recruit participants and its expertise in genomics."

Animal welfare improvements -The Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill (report stage in the Commons) will largely bring, to an end the live export of animals for slaughter and will also introduce tougher measures to crack down on the smuggling of dogs and puppies into the UK. These were both Conservative manifesto commitments only possible to deliver due to Brexit.

Cheaper motor insurance – reversing the Vnuk ECJ Insurance case - The UK has reversed the 2014 Vnuk ECJ case that held that compulsory insurance should be extended to cover vehicles moving on private land while also extending the categories of vehicles (lawnmowers etc) that need insurance. Reversing the case was done via the Motor Vehicles (Compulsory Insurance) Bill and is estimated to save policy holders £458 million a year.

Amending HGV drivers' regulations to safeguard critical supply chains - to ensure critical

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supply chains were maintained" throughout the disruption caused by Covid on 22nd January 2021 the Government temporarily relaxed the enforcement of retained EU law setting driving time limits and rest patterns of heavy goods vehicle drivers....

Airports Slot Allocation – removing 'ghost flights' during covid - Under EU law airlines must continue to fly their routes or lose their 'airport slot allocation.' During the slump in aviation caused by covid airlines were forced to fly 'ghost flights' (with no passengers) to keep their entitlement to landing slots. The UK, outside of the EU, used its powers to vary these rules temporarily in order, to prevent 'ghost flights' and thus save emissions and money for the airlines.

**Our own borders - Immigration controls -** We have left the EU's free movement immigration zone and have used our new control to introduce a points-based system prioritising skills and reducing the amount of low skilled immigration (previously often from the EU). While overall immigration has gone up, there is evidence that UK workers previously suffering wage depression in less skilled work have benefited from the resulting tighter labour market.

Our own money - No annual EU budget payments - As a member state .... In 2020 the UK made a *net* public sector contribution to the EU of £12.6 bn (£17.bn gross). This would have continued and risen every year.

No liability for the EU's current recovery plan saving £10s billions -The EU states have agreed a €806.9 bn short term fund they have billed "The largest stimulus package ever" In addition they claim:

"The EU's long-term budget, coupled with NextGenerationEU (NGEU), the temporary instrument designed to boost the recovery, form the largest stimulus package ever financed in Europe. A total of  $\in 2.018$ trillion in current prices"

The UK as a former net payee into the budget would have had to commit tens of billions to this program and received back less than it put in.

Tax reform – VAT on tampons & energy saving products - While an EU member the EU controlled UK alcohol duty and VAT rates, setting minimum levels and rules.... The UK is also making three changes to rules on how wine and alcoholic drinks can be described and marketed on labels.

**UK Fishing** - We have left the Common Fisheries Policy and have increased the amount of catch available to UK fishermen.

Under the Trade and Cooperation Agreement a five-and-a-half-year adjustment period was agreed. The quota of fish EU vessels can catch in UK waters will reduce during that period by 15% in the first year and then 2.5% for the following four years. UK fishermen will regain 25% of the current EU catch in British waters within five years. We will be free to increase the amount available again in 2026 when the current agreement ends....

**Bans on environmentally damaging fishing practices -** EU vessels have been banned from carrying out electric pulse fishing in UK waters...

New agriculture support scheme – no more CAP - Under the Agriculture Act 2020 the UK will depart from the EU's CAP and administration and introduce a UK scheme accountable to the UK Parliament....

**Our own role in the world - Free Trade Agreements -** We now have new trade agreements with Australia, New Zealand, and others that we did not have as EU members and have tailored other deals to our own economic needs. We can now join the transpacific partnership if we chose to. In total over 70 UK free trade agreements have been signed since Brexit.

Free from the EU's Customs Union the UK has also used its powers to unilaterally reduce the import tariffs on 100 goods for two years including those up to 18% on things such as aluminium frames used by UK bicycle manufacturers to ingredients used by UK food producers.

**EU foreign policy** – **Ukraine** - We were the first to send arms to defend Ukraine ignoring German bans on overflight and other political pressure. While the UK could have helped Ukraine as an EU member state the freedom outside of the EU's unwritten rules on solidarity in foreign policy (and drive towards ever closer union), the horse-trading and consensual method of EU decision making made this much easier and faster.

**AUKUS -** Likewise, we have signed a nuclear submarine deal with Australia (negotiated concurrently with a UK/AUS free trade agreement) in opposition to France, that will provide jobs in the UK and greater security for our closest Commonwealth allies. It is possible that as an EU member we would have been put off by the need to mollify French and German interests and guard UK interests on unrelated EU policy areas.

**Our own future - The UK has already avoided 7,391 new EU laws -**The UK left the EU on 31st January 2021. Since that date a search of the EU's legal database shows that the EU has enacted 7,391 new laws. In addition to that there are thousands more pieces of ECJ case law and EU decisions that would all have been binding.

**Democracy** - We can no longer be outvoted in the European Council, subject to QMV without a veto.... We no longer have to spend diplomatic effort to protect vital UK interests from EU lawmakers, often horse-trading one interest for another.

An end to 'ever closer union' of EU foreign and tax policy - The EU is a dynamic organisation constantly changing towards its stated goal of 'ever closer union'. Outside of the EU we make our own laws...

[Let us not forget that the EU has more rules, regulations, and directives in the EU pipeline.]

Source: Full report available at www.briefingsforbritain.co.uk

## LETTERS

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#### **Migration Bill**

#### Dear Sir,

Despite the House of Commons passing the Illegal Migration Bill, it will never get through the House of Lords in its present state. They will try to water-it-down so that it does not change UK obligations under the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR). Failing that they will try to add amendments that will only benefit the illegal migrants and those that help them cross the English Channel in small boats.

Result will be that the boat crossings will continue but even at a larger rate. SARAH WILLIAMS Essex

#### Loyalty

Dear Editor,

How telling it is that King Charles III first appointments to the Order of the Garter are given to two EU former Commissioners.

Baroness Ashton and Lord Patten, yet again we see the pro-EU lobby getting awards for not standing up for the UK but supporting the EU.

Furthermore, we see that the Conservative Cabinet is now composed off 21 Remainers and only 8 Leavers. The agenda is clear the government will slowly trick the UK public into accepting more control over their lives from the EU either directly or indirectly.

What about the other main parties, well it is clear, that they will also gladly accept rule from Brussels.

The civil service will be delighted as they have in their minds never left the EU.

DAVID RICHARDS Manchester

#### China

Dear Editor, While the UK military capability has gone down to an all-time low, we hear that China has created the biggest military build-up in peacetime.

The Russian/Ukraine war has played into the hands of China allowing it to become the most powerful and capable military power in the world. This has come about mainly due to the supply of military equipment to the Ukraine depleting stock levels of NATO countries especially in the UK.

However, in the UK we have for years reduced the levels of personal employed for front line military action, often due to the mistaken believe that technology can perform the roll better.

When it comes to equipment we are failing to replace quickly and efficiently equipment sent to the Ukraine as well as not updating our equipment for the modern world we now face.

Should China invade Taiwan, the UK will huff and puff but be unable to stop or indeed help other countries like the US in assisting Taiwan.

Many NATO countries have for years not spent sufficient finance on their NATO obligations, even with a worldwide recession this is a foolish and dangerous position to put themselves in.

BARRY EDWARDS Yorkshire

#### Immigration

Dear Editor,

While the government tries to find a way to prevent illegal immigration, we should not lose sight of the levels of *legal* immigration.

Recently due to China's action in Hong Kong we gave refuge to its citizens, then we had a sudden rush from Afghanistan due to the US action by president, Biden's decision of his sudden pulling out of forces from Afghanistan. Now we have Ukraine's citizens due to the Russian invasion. Followed closely by the Sudan crisis. Where we are supposed to house all these people as well as also provide medical care and all the services they require appears to be being ignored by our politicians.

Supporting these new arrivals is necessary but how can we afford it when we are already struggling to house and feed our own citizens, can someone please tell me how? REBECCA EVANS Wales

#### Reforms

Dear Editor,

The time has surely come to reform the NHS, no matter how much money they receive they will always use it up on IT and managerial positions.

The civil service and the number of organisations currently being funded by the taxpayer' are in urgent need of reform.

Furthermore, the over-generous pensions that are included for so many state employees, is unaffordable, and should be taken into consideration when deciding on the appropriate salary increases.

REBECCA DAVIES Cheshire

#### **Council election results**

Dear Editor,

The loss of approximately 1,000 seats by the Conservative party during the May 4th local elections is not unsurprising.

What happens next is what matters, either the Conservative get Brexit done properly, stop the illegal boat crossings, and improve the economic outlook before the General Election or Labour will certainly be the largest party at the election.

The EU must be delighted to see that they will soon be back in charge of the UK via Labour and the Lib-Dems. SYLVIA RICHARDS Wiltshire

### MEETINGS

**Gresham College** 020 7831 0575

#### Monday 22nd May, 6.00 pm

"AI in Business"

Raghavendra Rau, Mercers' School Memorial Professor of Business

PUBLIC MEETING Venue - not confirmed

#### Admission Free - Tickets required

Online version: @gres.hm/ai-business Registration required at www.gresham.ac.uk

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Tuesday 23rd May, 6.00 pm

"How the World Agreed on Net Zero?"

**Myles Allen,** Frank Jackson Foundation Professor of the Environment

PUBLIC MEETING Venue - not confirmed

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Thursday 25th May, 6.00 pm

"Do We Need the Police?"

**Leslie Thomas,** *Gresham Professor of Law* 

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"The Risks of Technology in Business"

**Raghavendra Rau,** *Mercers' School Memorial Professor of Business* 

PUBLIC MEETING Venue - not confirmed

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#### 2023

Spain takes over EU Council Presidency	1st July
Nato summit Vilnius	11-12th July
2024	
Belgium takes over EU Council Presidency	1st January
Hungary takes over EU Council Presidency	1st July
2025	
Poland takes over	1st January

Poland takes over 1st January EU Council Presidency

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The End Of The English The European Superstate *by David Brown* **£6.99 - Pbk 2008 - 111 pp** Written as an apology to all grandchildren, it analyses how the EU planned for control of UK democracy.

Reflections on the Revolution in Europe by Christopher Caldwell £14.99 - Pbk 2009 - 363 pp How mass immigration affects European and UK culture and religious values extending to democracy itself. [Special Offer £10.00]

> Elephant in the Room by David Challice £6.50 - Pbk 2015 - 300 pp Bite-size nuggets of information regarding the UK/EU situation over a number of years. [Special Offer £4.00]

Why Vote Leave by Daniel Hannan £9.99 - Paperback 2004 - 217 pp The implications of a British 'No' vote [Special Offer £6.00]

All Books plus 10% P&P (UK Only) Cheques to June Press Ltd PO Box 119, Totnes, Devon TQ9 7WA Why Did Britain Take The Wrong Path? by Christopher Hoskin £9.99 - Pbk - 2009 - 270 pp How and why the UK lost its way and ended up with a fear of self-government resulting in democracy being traded for life inside the EU without any understanding of what it would really be like. [Special Offer £5.00]

Worlds Apart by Mica Jay £7.99 - Pbk -2017 - 111 pp An intriguing novel about how a cosmic explorer who crashes to earth in the Amazon jungle becomes a cosmic celebrity and his effect on a remote tribal community.

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