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Q3(b)

Account for the rise of European Union as a highly influential regional organisation

UPSC Civil Services Mains 2023 · PSIR GS 2 · 15 marks · Changing International Political Order

Changing International Political Order: Rise of super powers; strategic and ideological Bipolarity, arms race and Cold War; Nuclear threat; Non-aligned movement; Collapse of the Soviet Union; Unipolarity and American hegemony; relevance of non-alignment in the contemporary world.

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Treaty of Rome 1957

Created the European Economic Community among the original six.

Maastricht 1992

Created the European Union name, the path to Economic and Monetary Union, and new policy pillars.

Lisbon Treaty 2007

Reformed EU institutions after eastern enlargement; created a permanent President of the European Council and a High Representative.

Single market

Free movement of goods, services, capital, and people among members, with common regulation.

Brussels effect

Term for extra-territorial reach of EU product, privacy, and competition rules through market access.

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