

# Abbreviations

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| AER     | Assembly of European Regions  |
| AFET    | Foreign Affairs Committee (EP)  |
| ALDE    | Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (EP group)                                |
| ANEC    | European Association for the Coordination of Consumer Representation in Standardisation |
| AT      | Austria   |
| BE      | Belgium   |
| BEPGs   | Broad Economic Policy Guidelines  |
| BG      | Bulgaria  |
| CAP     | Common Agricultural Policy  |
| CCIC    | Consultative Commission on Industrial Change  |
| CEBS    | Committee of European Banking Supervisors   |
| CECED   | European Committee of Domestic Equipment Manufacturers                                  |
| CEE     | Central and Eastern European  |
| CEMR    | Council of European Municipalities and Regions  |
| CFI     | Court of First Instance   |
| CFSP    | Common Foreign and Security Policy  |
| CoR     | Committee of the Regions  |
| Coreper | Committee of Permanent Representatives  |
| CY      | Cyprus  |
| CZ      | Czech Republic  |
| DE      | Germany   |
| DG      | Directorate-General   |
| DK      | Denmark   |
| EC      | European Communities  |
| ECB     | European Central Bank   |
| ECJ     | European Court of Justice   |
| ECO     | economic and monetary union and economic and social cohesion                            |
| ECOFIN  | Council of Economic and Finance Ministers   |
| ECSC    | European Coal and Steel Community   |
| EE      | Estonia   |
| EEC     | European Economic Community   |

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| EESC    | European Economic and Social Committee                                      |
| EL      | Ellas (Greece)  |
| EMCO    | Employment Committee  |
| EMU     | Economic and Monetary Union   |
| ENVI    | Environment Committee (EP)  |
| EP      | European Parliament   |
| EPC     | European Political Cooperation  |
| EPP     | European People's Party and European Democrats (EP group)                   |
| ERM     | Exchange Rate Mechanism   |
| ES      | Spain   |
| ESCB    | European System of Central Banks  |
| ETUC    | European Trade Union Confederation  |
| EU      | European Union  |
| FI      | Finland   |
| FR      | France  |
| GAERC   | General Affairs and External Relations Council                              |
| GUE/NLG | Confederal Group of the European United Left – Nordic Green Left (EP group) |
| HU      | Hungary   |
| IE      | Ireland   |
| IEA     | International Energy Agency   |
| IGC     | Intergovernmental Conference  |
| INT     | the single market, production and consumption                               |
| IT      | Italy   |
| ITS     | Identity, Traditions, Sovereignty (EP group)                                |
| JAP     | joint assessment papers   |
| JCCs    | Joint Consultative Committees   |
| JHA     | Justice and Home Affairs  |
| JIM     | joint inclusion memorandum  |
| LT      | Lithuania   |
| LU      | Luxemburg   |
| LV      | Latvia  |
| MEP     | Member of the European Parliament   |
| MS      | member state(s)   |
| MT      | Malta   |
| NAT     | agriculture, rural development and the environment                          |
| NATO    | North Atlantic Treaty Organization  |
| NCB     | national central bank   |
| NGO     | non-governmental organization   |
| NL      | Netherlands   |
| NMS     | new member states   |

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| OECD      | Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development        |
| OMC       | open method of coordination                                   |
| OSCE      | Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe          |
| PERF      | Pan-European Regulatory Forum                                 |
| PL        | Poland  |
| PSE (PES) | Party of European Socialists (EP group)                       |
| PT        | Portugal  |
| QMV       | qualified majority voting                                     |
| REX       | external relations  |
| RO        | Romania   |
| ROPs      | Regional Operational Programmes                               |
| SCA       | Special Committee on Agriculture                              |
| SDO       | sustainable development observatory                           |
| SE        | Sweden  |
| SI        | Slovenia  |
| SK        | Slovakia  |
| SMEs      | Small and medium-sized enterprises                            |
| SMO       | single market observatory                                     |
| SOC       | employment, social affairs and citizenship                    |
| SRP       | standard rules of procedure                                   |
| TEC       | Treaty establishing the European Community                    |
| TEN       | transport, energy, infrastructure and the information society |
| TENs      | Trans-European Networks                                       |
| TEU       | Treaty on European Union                                      |
| UEN       | Union for Europe of the Nations (EP group)                    |
| UK        | United Kingdom  |
| UN        | United Nations  |
| UNICE     | Confederation of European Business                            |
| V/EFA     | Group of the Greens and European Free Alliance (EP group)     |