



Campaign for an Independent Britain

(member of the Leave Alliance)

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EUROPEAN UNION: THE CHOICES

The aim of the Leave Alliance and the Campaign for an Independent Britain is for the UK to leave the political, judicial and monetary structures of the European Union (EU).

It must be emphasised that EU membership and Single Market membership are two different matters.

In the Leave Exit Plan (the Market Solution), the UK would stay in the Single Market by retaining its membership of the European Economic Area and would propose to re-join EFTA - of which it was a member until 1972.

It would take up approximately the well-tested and proven position of the free democracies of Norway and Iceland, which are both voluntarily part of the Single Market.

Trade, jobs and investment will continue as before leaving.

Business will be unaffected.

The UK will no longer be constrained by subordination to a supranational political government in Brussels and its supranational policies. Instead, to remain as a free democracy, it will only enter intergovernmental agreements, including with the EU, in the same way and on the same terms as it is a member of NATO or EFTA or the Commonwealth.

This is the way all other countries in the world outside the EU choose to work together.

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	REMAIN	THE LEAVE EXIT PLAN
Common Foreign and Security Policy	Continued EU control	Return to British control
Common Policy on Justice and Home Affairs	Continued EU control	Return to British control
EU Economic and Monetary Union (Stages 1 and 2)	Continued EU control	Britain leaves
EU Commission	Continues to apply to UK	No role in the UK
EU Court of Justice	Continues to apply to UK	No role in the UK
Charter of Fundamental Rights	Continues to apply to UK	No role in the UK
Customs Union	Continues to apply to UK	UK Controls own Customs
Common Trade Policy	Continues to apply to UK	UK Controls its own Trade Policy
Common Agricultural Policy	Continues to apply to UK	UK in full control of agricultural policy
Common Fisheries Policy	Continues to apply to UK	UK in full control of fisheries policy
EU Budget Contributions	Continue and rising	UK contributes only for approved policy, services provided and help for Eastern Europe
“Joint and several liability” for EU debts	Continues to apply to UK	No liability
Liability for specific debts of EU institutions	Continues to apply to UK	Transitional negotiations followed by no further liability
Taxation	Likely to come under some EU control or harmonisation	Sole UK control
Four Freedoms	EU interpretation by ECJ continues to apply to UK	UK upholds the Four Freedoms subject to EEA provisions including the Safeguard clauses Article 112 and 113
Single Market and associated provisions	Continue to apply to UK. Justiciable in ECJ	Continue to apply to UK. Justiciable in EFTA Court
Ever closer union	Possibly no longer applies to UK	Irrelevant to UK after leaving
Protection for non-eurozone countries	Possible new provisions	Irrelevant to UK after leaving
Group of national Parliaments having some voice in EU law	Possible new provisions	Irrelevant to UK after leaving
Minor controls on benefits for EU migrants	Possible new restrictions	Subject to provisions of EEA and immigration to the Safeguard Clauses of EEA agreement, Articles 112 and 113.
Existing EU acquis (all laws passed by the EU) up to withdrawal of UK	All existing EU laws and all future EU laws will apply to UK	Repatriation of the existing acquis to the UK with the UK able to repeal unwanted EU laws. No further EU laws to be applicable to the UK



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