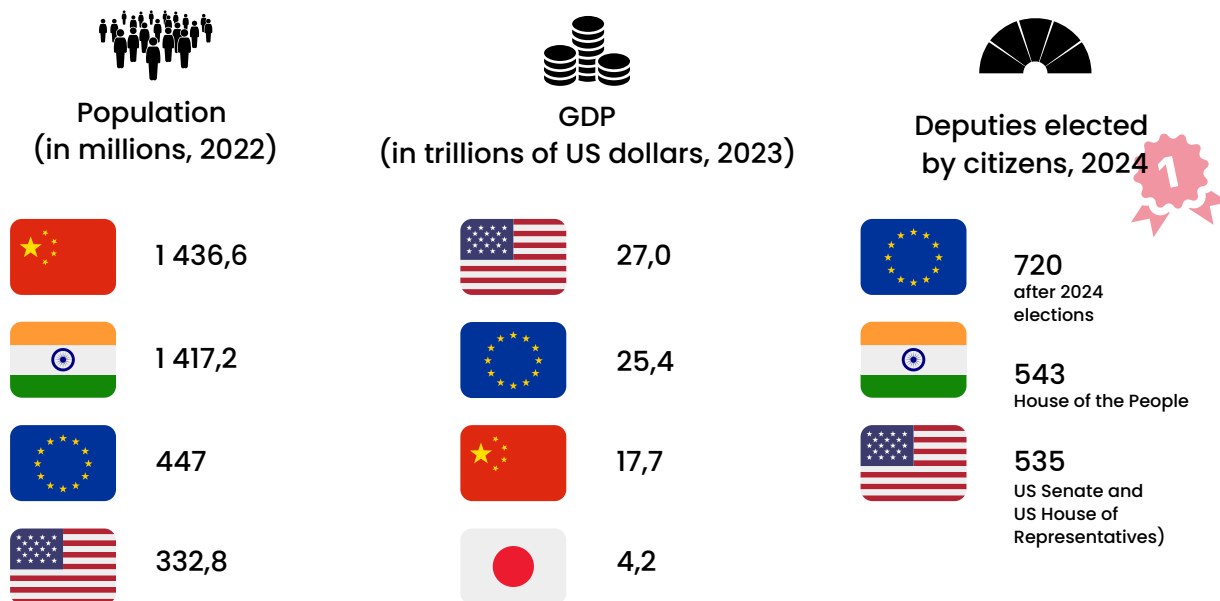


The EU on the international stage

Have you ever tried to measure the weight of the EU on the international stage?



The EU works closely with its neighbours and with other countries and international organisations such as the United Nations, NATO and the World Health Organisation to tackle common challenges such as COVID-19, climate change and security issues.



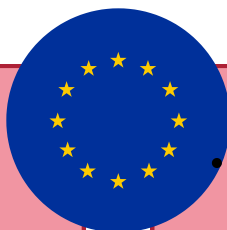
140 offices, known as 'delegations', around the world, the latest following Brexit



Since 1997, the EU has a 'High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy', who gives the EU the ability to speak with one voice on the international stage.



- NATO is a political and military alliance of countries from Europe and North America. Its members are committed to protecting each other from any threat.
- 23 EU countries are members of NATO.
- In 2023, the EU and NATO signed a joint declaration in Brussels, condemning Russia's aggression against Ukraine and reaffirming their unwavering support for the country.



- The United Nations, now comprising 193 Member States, is an international organization where all nations gather to discuss global issues and find shared solutions.
- All EU countries are members of the UN.
- Over the years, the EU has established a solid relationship with the UN bodies in a wide range of areas; the EU also participates in the annual session of the UN General Assembly.

