

**Module 2 European Studies through Digital Historical Developments**

**Practical workshop No. 1**

**Topic 1: Key Historical Events Shaping European Unity**

**Part 1: Theoretical Questions**

1. What were the key motivations behind European integration after World War II?
2. How did the Treaty of Rome (1957) contribute to the formation of the European Economic Community (EEC)?
3. What role did the Maastricht Treaty (1992) play in shaping the European Union?
4. How did the fall of the Berlin Wall (1989) influence European integration?
5. What is the significance of the Schuman Declaration (1950) in the history of European unity?
6. How did the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC) lay the foundation for modern European cooperation?
7. What was the impact of the Lisbon Treaty (2007) on the political structure of the EU?
8. How did the Eurozone crisis (2009) challenge European unity?
9. What role did the enlargement of the EU (2004, 2007, 2013) play in shaping its current political and economic landscape?
10. How did Brexit (2020) impact the idea of European unity?

**Part 2: Practical Questions**

1. **Case Study Analysis:** Choose a key historical event in European integration (e.g., Maastricht Treaty, fall of the Berlin Wall) and analyze its impact on EU development.
2. **Comparative Task:** Compare the European integration process with another regional integration effort (e.g., ASEAN, NAFTA).
3. **Policy Review:** Evaluate the effects of the Schengen Agreement on mobility and economic cooperation in Europe.
4. **Data Interpretation:** Analyze a timeline of EU enlargements. What trends can be observed in terms of economic and political integration?
5. **Critical Thinking:** Debate whether the EU should continue expanding to include new member states. What are the pros and cons?
6. **Document Analysis:** Read an excerpt from the Maastricht Treaty and summarize its key points in your own words.
7. **Interactive Task:** Create a short presentation or infographic explaining the historical milestones of European unity.
8. **Media and Public Perception:** Analyze news articles or public opinion polls on European unity and integration. What patterns emerge?
9. **Political Perspectives:** Compare how different EU countries view European unity. What factors influence their positions?
10. **Future Perspectives:** Propose a new initiative or policy that could strengthen European unity in the 21st century.

