



## The European Commission

(EU Facts: EU Institutions, European Commission)

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1) Use the *European Commission* factsheet to help you fill in the missing words:

The European Commission is the driving force of the EU and has a wide range of responsibilities. It is the only institution that has the power to propose \_\_\_\_\_ and operates at a \_\_\_\_\_ level. Its financial powers include: drafting the EU's \_\_\_\_\_ and distributing EU money to member states. It also represents the members collectively in the negotiation of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. Commissioners are appointed by \_\_\_\_\_ and then confirmed by a vote in the \_\_\_\_\_. One of the Commissioners is nominated by the \_\_\_\_\_ to be President, in order to provide \_\_\_\_\_ for the Commission as a whole.

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2) Name **two** former Presidents of the European Commission, whose presidencies were dedicated to promoting further EU integration:

A.

B.

(2)

3) Explain the term 'democratic deficit' in the context of the European Commission.

(3)

**TOTAL**

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