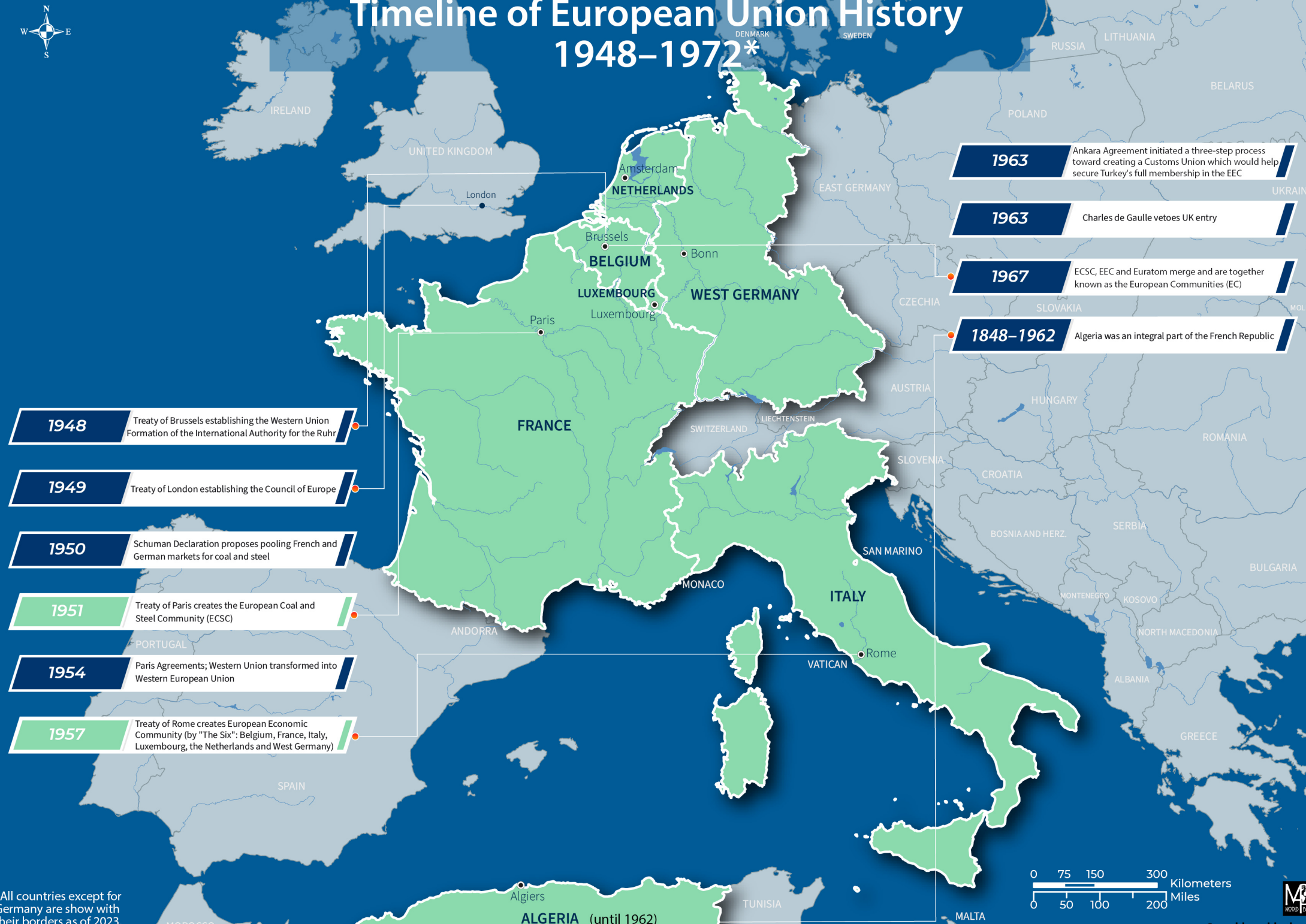


Timeline of European Union History

1948–1972*



1948 Treaty of Brussels establishing the Western Union
Formation of the International Authority for the Ruhr

1949 Treaty of London establishing the Council of Europe

1950 Schuman Declaration proposes pooling French and German markets for coal and steel

1951 Treaty of Paris creates the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC)

1954 Paris Agreements; Western Union transformed into Western European Union

1957 Treaty of Rome creates European Economic Community (by "The Six": Belgium, France, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and West Germany)

1963 Ankara Agreement initiated a three-step process toward creating a Customs Union which would help secure Turkey's full membership in the EEC

1963 Charles de Gaulle vetoes UK entry

1967 ECSC, EEC and Euratom merge and are together known as the European Communities (EC)

1848–1962 Algeria was an integral part of the French Republic

*All countries except for Germany are shown with their borders as of 2023.

