

Economic Benefits of European Union for Slovakia

1. **Free movement of labour and capital** have helped to create a more flexible economy. It also enables Slovak people to live and work in Europe. (More than 400 000 Slovaks work in the EU nowadays).
2. **Free travelling + opportunity to study in EU** - EU has enabled people to travel freely across national boundaries making trade and tourism easier and cheaper. (More than 20 000 Slovak students have completed part of their studies in other member state with the help of the Erasmus programme and all of the Slovaks can travel to the member states just with an ID.)
3. **EU structural funds** are used to develop Eastern European economies. More than 12 860 million Euros have been used for infrastructures, entrepreneurship, ICT development and other areas in the period 2004-2013 in Slovakia. EU is helping Slovakia to make a lot of things in our country better and nicer.

