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Germany was one of the founders of European Union (1957). It is a parliamentary republic within a federal system. It is divided into 16 federal states (Bundesländer). The capital and also the largest city is Berlin. The country has a high level of living standards, and there is a full system of social security. www.wikipedia.de

