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*Joining the World: Britain Outside the EU*

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The current Chancellor of the Exchequer, George Osborne is a keen protagonist of the campaign to remain in the EU. By contrast, two of his Conservative predecessors are convinced opponents. In *Joining the World: Britain Outside the EU*, Nigel Lawson, Chancellor in the Thatcher governments and an architect of Britain's economic recovery in the 1980s, explains the reasons for Brexit.

Being out of the EU - as most of the world is - would be good for Britain's economy. Not only would UK business (and 87 per cent of our economy) be liberated from Brussels bureaucracy. It would also allow for the return to an efficient and flexible UK economy: to the microeconomic arrangements on which national performance depends. It would promote the conditions for economic progress and the market economy under the rule of law.

Above all it would allow a global future for Britain as a self governing democracy, outside the undemocratic EU.

The impact on Britain's economy of the 2007/8 financial crisis was grave. Successive governments have continued to respond with new regulations.

*Joining the World, Britain Outside the EU*, the full volume, can be read [here](#).

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