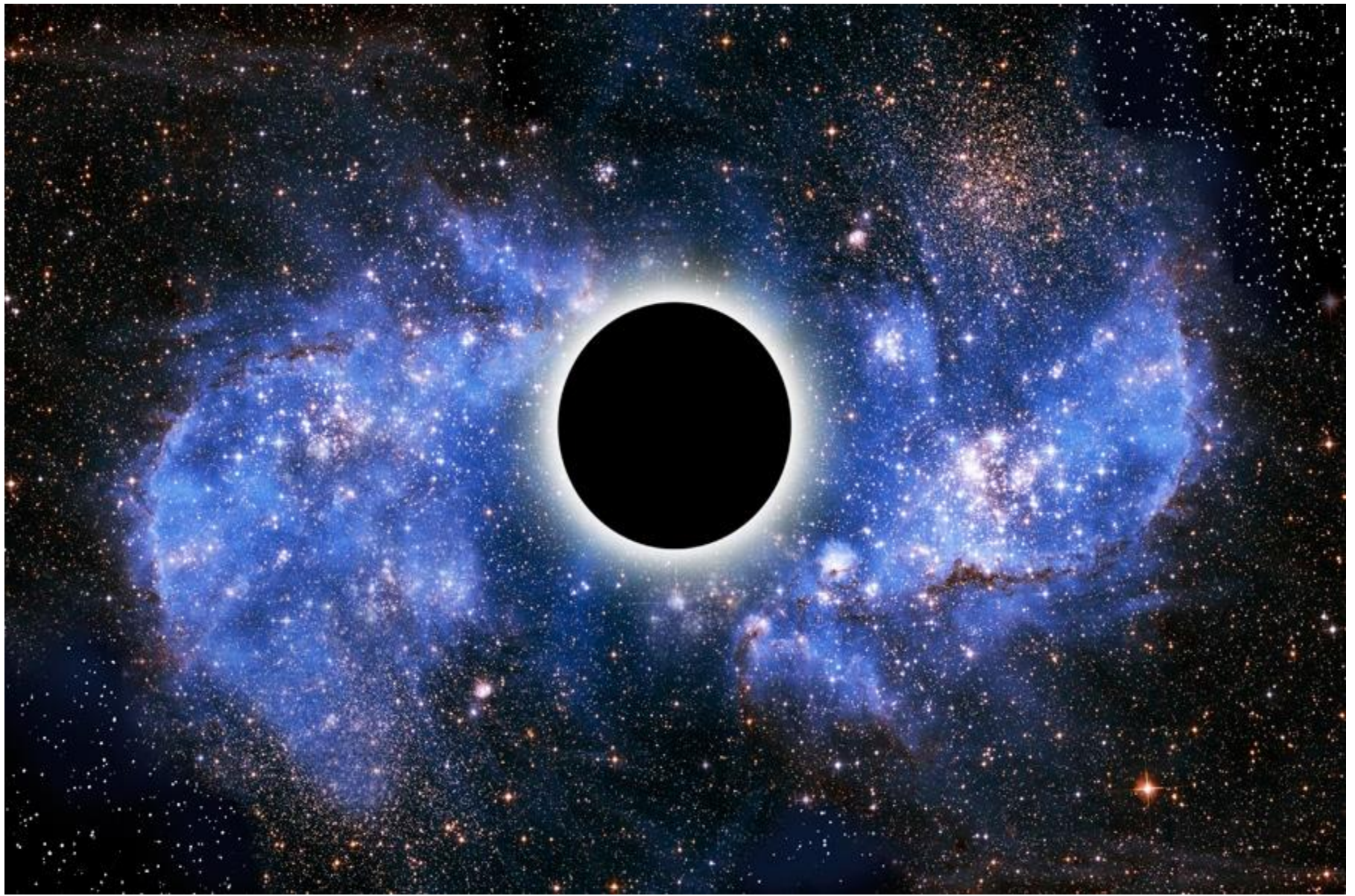


# Constitutional and Political Implications of the UK's Withdrawal from the European Union: Two Unions in Crisis?

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# UK as an EU Member State

- Much debate and discussion about role of the UK in the EU
  - ‘Awkward’, ‘Semi- Detached’, ‘Reluctant’ and ‘Delusional’
- Euroscepticism – 1990s to the present which explains the referendum and momentum to leave the EU has grown **but a debate?????**
- Alternatives to EU membership?
- CHALLENGES and Implications?
- ‘Scaremongering’?
- Constitutional Futures?





# SHOULD WE LEAVE?

STRONGER BORDER CONTROLS  
MORE POWER FOR UK PARLIAMENT  
SAVE ON CONTRIBUTION TO EU BUDGET

# ...OR SHOULD WE STAY?

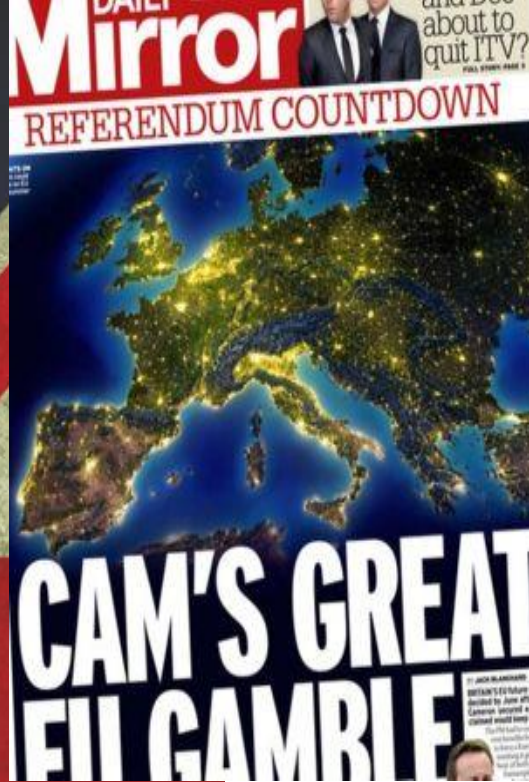
MILLIONS OF JOBS AT RISK  
EASIER TO WORK ABROAD  
RISK LOSING TRADE



KEEP  
CALM

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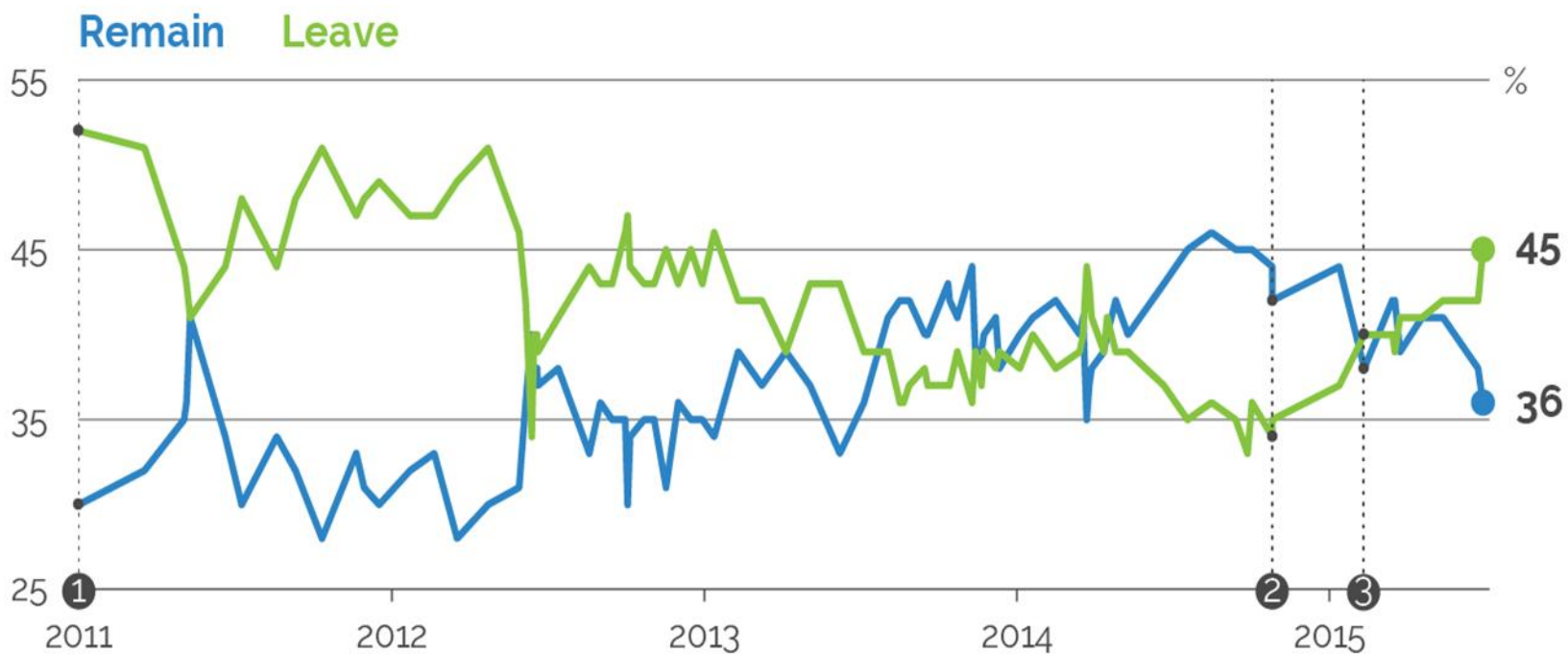
VOTE FOR  
BREXIT





## EU referendum: Leave leads at nine

European Union referendum voting intention since August 2011



### Wording:

- ① In a referendum on Britain's membership of the EU how would you vote? (Remain/Leave)
- ② Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the European Union? (Yes/No)
- ③ Should the United Kingdom remain a member of the EU or leave the EU? (Remain/Leave)

Scenarios post renegotiation and where the Cameron has recommended a yes vote	OPTIONS
<b>1: UK public votes to stay in the EU</b> <b>Single Constituency</b>	UK government accepts the result <b>but still semi-detached</b>
<b>2: UK public votes to leave the EU</b>	Does UK government accept result?  No – opts to retain membership  If not, option 1 is to stage a second referendum for more concessions  If not, option 2 is to commence withdrawal proceedings under Art.50 (TEU)

**3: UK vote is fractured by region where England votes no and Scotland votes yes**

**(But Scotland could vote NO to EU membership  
And even NO to new Independence poll)**

**Does the British government take into account Scotland's votes – a dual vote needed?**

**If not – can follow scenario 2**

**Which leads Scottish government to launch a new referendum on Scottish independence and secession from the UK this time?**

**4 UK vote is fractured by region where England votes no; Scotland votes yes and holds independence campaign; Northern Ireland voted yes.**

Does the British government take into account how both Northern Ireland and Wales votes (as well as Scotland) – a dual, triple or quadruple vote?

If not and follows overall UK vote – case for independence vote in Wales and border poll in Northern Ireland.



# The Economist

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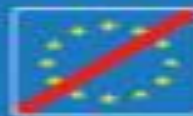
South Korea's fantastic plastic

# Great Britain



## Little England

No services



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on the big decisions  
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# And Northern Ireland?

- Brexit but is there need to approach it as NleXIT
- Different issues arise
- Funding streams
- Border
- Economy
- Links to the EU
- A debate here.....?
- Is this regions being pulled into a Black Hole?

# Cameron's 4 'Baskets'

- Sovereignty – greater powers for national parliaments
- Competitiveness – to boost it and especially in services
- Migration and benefits (4 years)
- Eurozone vs the rest
- Also to note
  - Britain Stronger in Europe <http://www.strongerin.co.uk/>
  - Vote Leave <http://www.voteleavetakecontrol.org/campaign>
    - NIGEL LAWSON NOW HEADING
  - Leave,EU <http://leave.eu/>

