III) ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THE THESIS

ACUSE - Action Committee for the United States of Europe

CIS – Community Innovation Survey

CAP – Common Agricultural Policy

EU – European Union

EC – European Community

EFTA – European Free Trade Agreement

EEA – European Economic Area

EEC – European Economic Community

ECSC – European Coal and Steel Community

EDC – European Defense Community

EMU – European Monetary Union

FDI – Foreign Direct Investment

GDP – Gross Domestic Product

GNI – Gross National Product

GPTs – General Purpose Technologies

GATT - General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

IMF - International Monetary Fund

NATO – North American Treaty Organization