### Geography of the world

#### Europe

- The second smallest of all continents
- Oceans?
- Great <u>horizontal segmentation</u> =>
- Peninsulas
  - Iberian, Scandinavian, Apennine
- Islands
  - Iceland, Ireland, Great Britain, Sicilly, Sardinia, Corsica, Crete, Rhodos
- Surrounding seas
  - North, Barents, Norwegian
- Interior seas
  - Mediterranean, Black
- Bays
  - Biscay, Bothnia, Finland

## Mountain ranges

- Alps
- Carpathians
- Scandinavian mts.
- Pyrenees
- Apennines
- Ural mts.

#### Political division

- North Europe
- West Europe
- South Europe
- South-East Europe
- East Europe
- Central Europe

# European population

- 700 million inhabitants
- >40 national states
- High population densities (W-E gradient)
- High rates of urbanisation (W-E gradient)
- High GDP/capita (W-E gradient)
- Core areas vs.
- Peripheral areas