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Chapter 15: Study Guide, Short Answer

5. In a review of the states of the states eighteenth-century Europe, which one(s) would you consider as showing the most promise for the future, and why?

In eighteenth-century Europe, there was a shift of political power from the dominating powers of the seventeenth century to the reigning powers of Great Britain, France, Austria, Russia, and Prussia. This rise in power came as Spain, the United Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, and the Ottoman Empire began their own political and economic decline. The change in power was largely due to the shifting political structures that were in place as countries began to model the government of Louis XIV. This involved centralizing the country under a single monarchy, organizing efficient taxation and military structures, and subverting the control that nobility formerly had over the monarchy.

During this time, I would consider Great Britain as having shown the most promise for the future.