

The European Parliament



European Parliament

**Democracy
in action**

EP Visitor Service

> **30 000 Visitors per month**

> Visits in all 24 EU languages

> Everyone has a right to learn about
(and engage in!) EU democracy!



What is the European Union?



Peace and prosperity

- > Second World War (1939 – 1945)
- > Schuman declaration (1950)
- > 6 countries establish the European Coal and Steel Community (1952)



EU countries

1952

1973

1981

1986

1990

1995

2004

2007

2013

2020



EU values

- > **Human dignity**
- > **Freedom**
- > **Democracy**
- > **Equality**
- > **Rule of law**
- > **Human rights**



Russian aggression against Ukraine



**The EU
delivers on...**



Artificial intelligence



Clean cars



Pay transparency



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Functioning of the EU



Who does what?

Subsidiarity and Proportionality



Exclusive

Trade
Customs
Competition
Fisheries
Monetary



Shared

Agriculture
Energy
Research &
Innovation
Environment
Tourism
Etc.



Supporting

Education
Social security
Health
Culture
Economic Policy
Foreign Policy
Etc.

EU Institutions



European
Parliament



Council of the
European Union

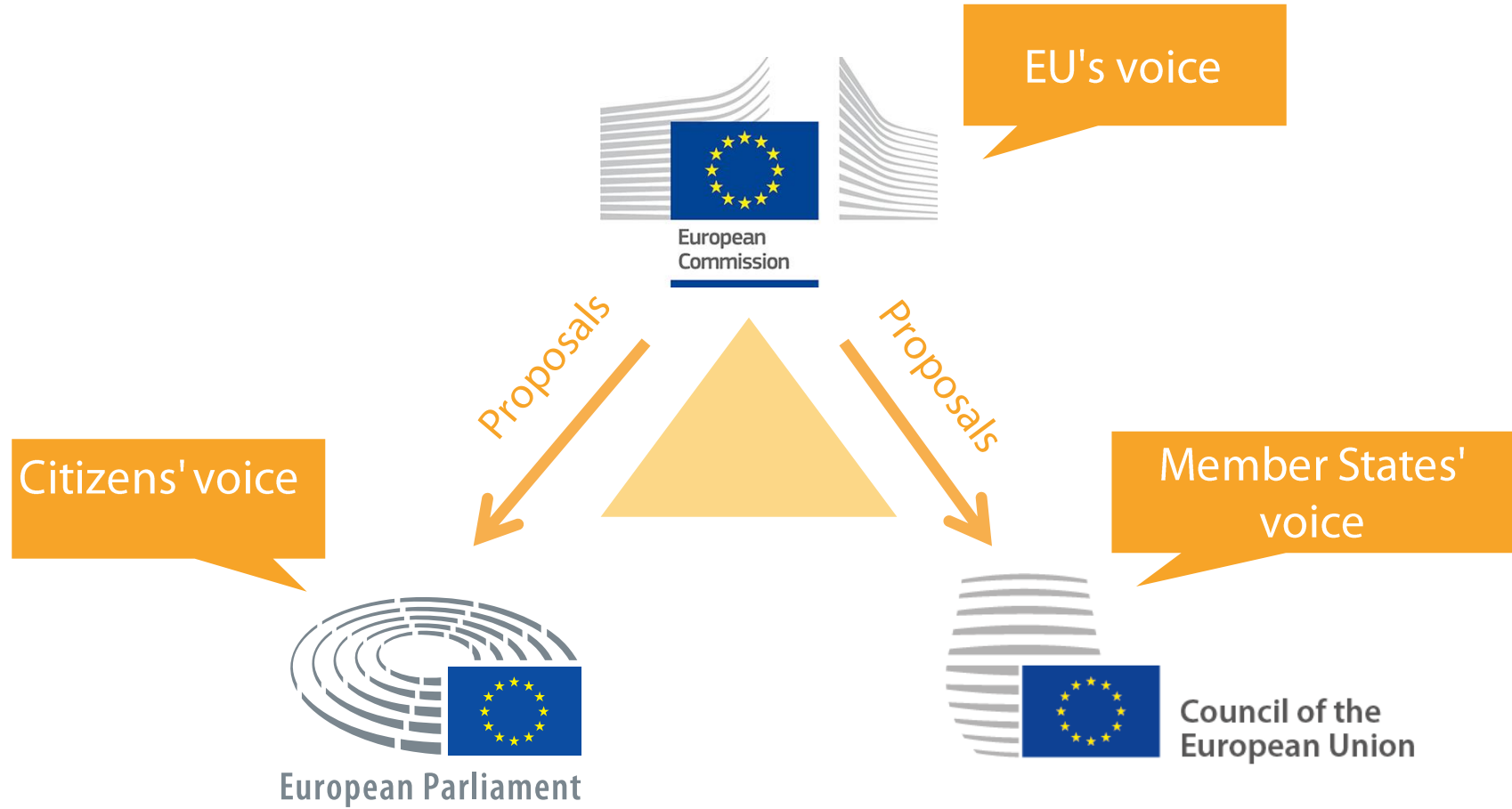


Powers of the Parliament

- > **Pass new EU laws and propose changes**
- > **Elect the Commission President and approve the European Commission**
- > **Establish the EU budget**



EU decision making



Who is who?

- **President of the European Parliament**
- **President of the European Commission**
- **President of the European Council**



Inside the European Parliament



705 seats

96		Germany	21		Greece	13		Ireland
79		France	21		Hungary	12		Croatia
76		Italy	21		Portugal	11		Lithuania
59		Spain	21		Sweden	8		Latvia
52		Poland	19		Austria	8		Slovenia
33		Romania	17		Bulgaria	7		Estonia
29		Netherlands	14		Denmark	6		Cyprus
21		Belgium	14		Finland	6		Luxemburg
21		Czech Republic	14		Slovakia	6		Malta

Political groups



Group of the Greens/
European Free Alliance



Renew Europe Group



Group of the European People's
Party (Christian Democrats)



Group of the Progressive
Alliance of Socialists
and Democrats in the
European Parliament



The Left in the
European Parliament

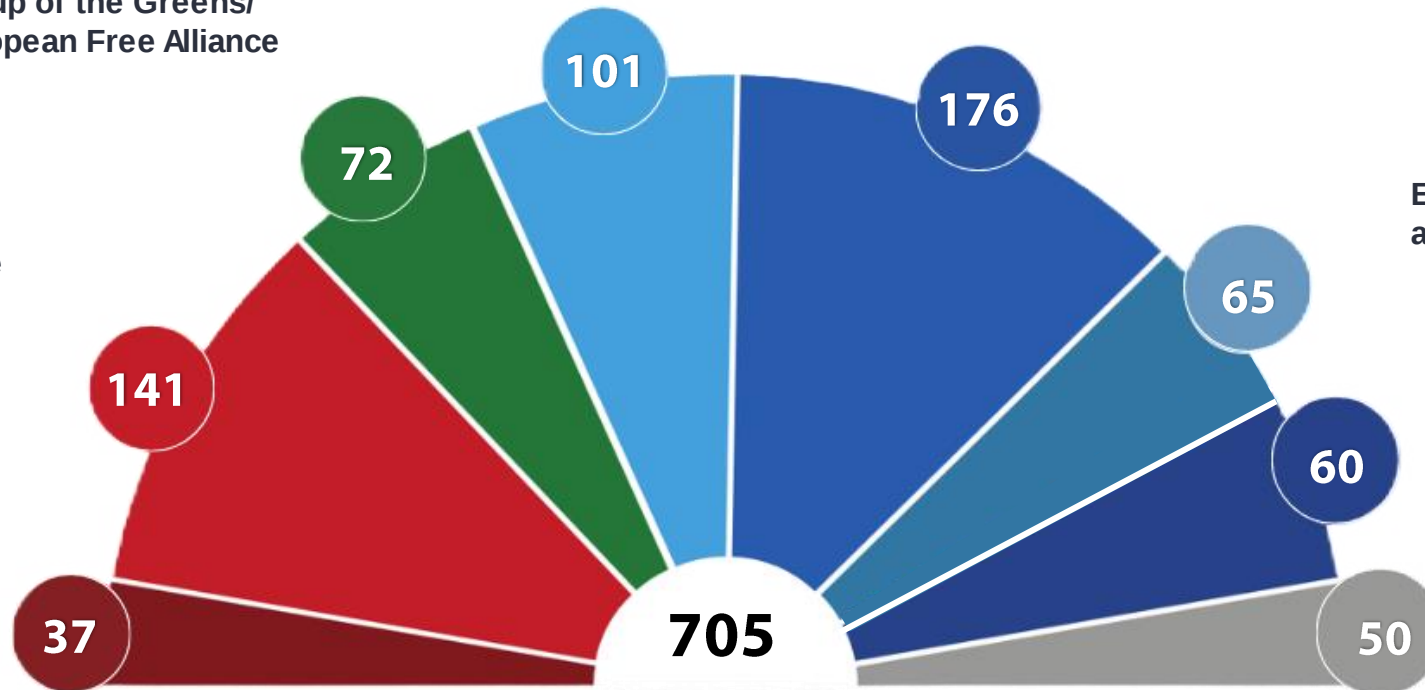


European Conservatives
and Reformists Group



Identity and Democracy
Group

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Parliamentary committees



20 standing committees
4 sub-committees

2 special committees

MEPS

79	AFET	Foreign Affairs				
		30	DROI	Human Rights	SEDE	30 Security & Defence
26	DEVE	Development				
43	INTA	International Trade				
41	BUDG	Budgets				
30	CONT	Budgetary Control				
61	ECON	Economic and Monetary Affairs				
		30	FISC	Tax matters		
55	EMPL	Employment and Social Affairs				
88	ENVI	Environment, Public Health & Food Safety				
		30	SANT	Public Health		
76	ITRE	Industry, Research and Energy				
45	IMCO	Internal Market and Consumer Protection				
49	TRAN	Transport and Tourism				

MEPs

43	REGI	Regional Development
48	AGRI	Agriculture and Rural Development
28	PECH	Fisheries
31	CULT	Culture and Education
25	JURI	Legal Affairs
69	LIBE	Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
28	AFCO	Constitutional Affairs
37	FEMM	Women's Rights and Gender Equality
35	PETI	Petitions
38	COVI	COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons learned and recommendations for the future
33	INGE2	Foreign Interference in all Democratic Processes in the European Union, including Disinformation

Calendar

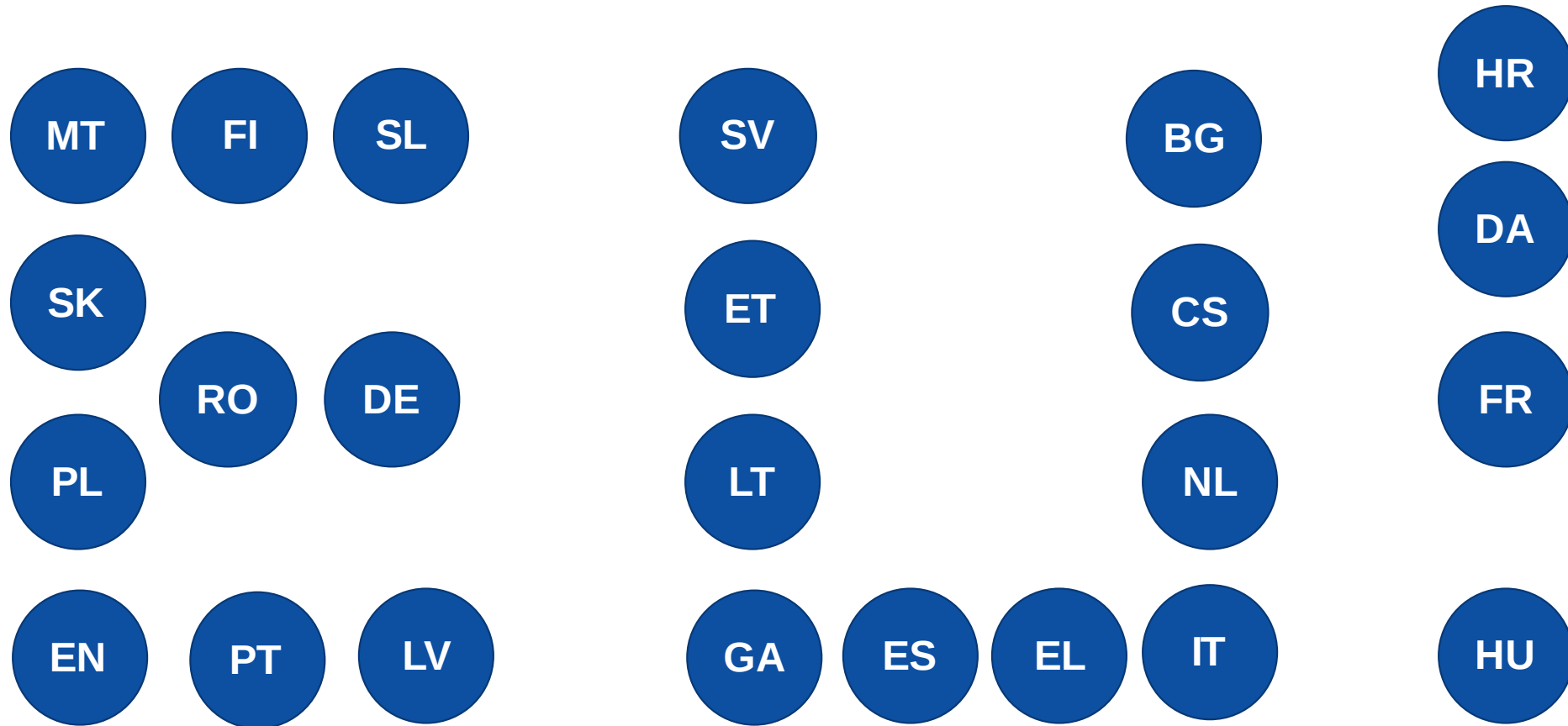
- Plenary session
- Committee meetings
- External parliamentary activities
- Political group meetings

2023



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24 official languages



European Elections 2024

June 6-9



Democracy in action

*“Vote. Do not let someone else
choose for you.”*

Roberta Metsola,
President of the European Parliament



Find out more!

**WHAT
EUROPE
DOES
FOR ME**

**IN
MY
REGION**



**IN
MY
LIFE**



**IN
FOCUS**





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The Digital Journey to the European Parliament

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Democracy in action

Universal chargers

Deforestation



Platform workers

