

KICK-OFF EVENT SEPTEMBER 2024



AMBASSADOR SCHOOLS

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT LIAISON OFFICE

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MEET YOUR FELLOW AMBASSADORS

- Your name
- Your school/college's name and location
- A sentence or two to describe your school/college
- Why does your school/college want to be a European Parliament Ambassador School?

THE AMBASSADOR SCHOOLS PROGRAMME

ANNA HUTH



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WHAT IS THE AMBASSADOR SCHOOLS PROGRAMME?

- Highly flexible program enabling teachers and students to bring Europe to the classroom.
- Democratic education at its heart.
- Colleges, secondary and vocational schools all involved.
- One school year and finishing with accreditation.
- A network of over 2,000 schools, 5,000 teachers and 35,000 students.
- It is a project developed in-house. The Netherlands office created it 8 years ago (in 2016) and it gradually evolved.





WHAT DOES IT OFFER?

- Educational resources and events
- Support/newsletter/information
- Training: enables students not only to learn about specific topics, but also to develop soft skills, such as leadership, communication, teamwork and critical thinking
- Access to more EP programmes: Euroscola, LUX prize etc.
- Some travelling opportunities to Brussels, Strasbourg and beyond



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USEFUL RESOURCES

- The Youth HUB: <https://youth.europarl.europa.eu/educators/learning-resources.html>
- The Digital Journey to the European Parliament: <https://digital-journey.europarl.europa.eu>
 - Virtual tour of the Parliament in Brussels and Strasbourg
 - Be an MEP – Virtual Reality Experience
 - Virtual Role Play Game
 - Virtual Tour of the House of European History
- The services of the European Parliamentary Research Service (EPRS): www.europarl.europa.eu/thinktank
- Visit the European Parliament: <https://visiting.europarl.europa.eu/en>
- House of European History: <https://historia-europa.ep.eu/en/educators-teachers>
- Together.eu: <https://together.eu/>



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***WHAT HAS CHANGED (OR NOT) AS
A RESULT OF THE JUNE 2024
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT ELECTIONS?***

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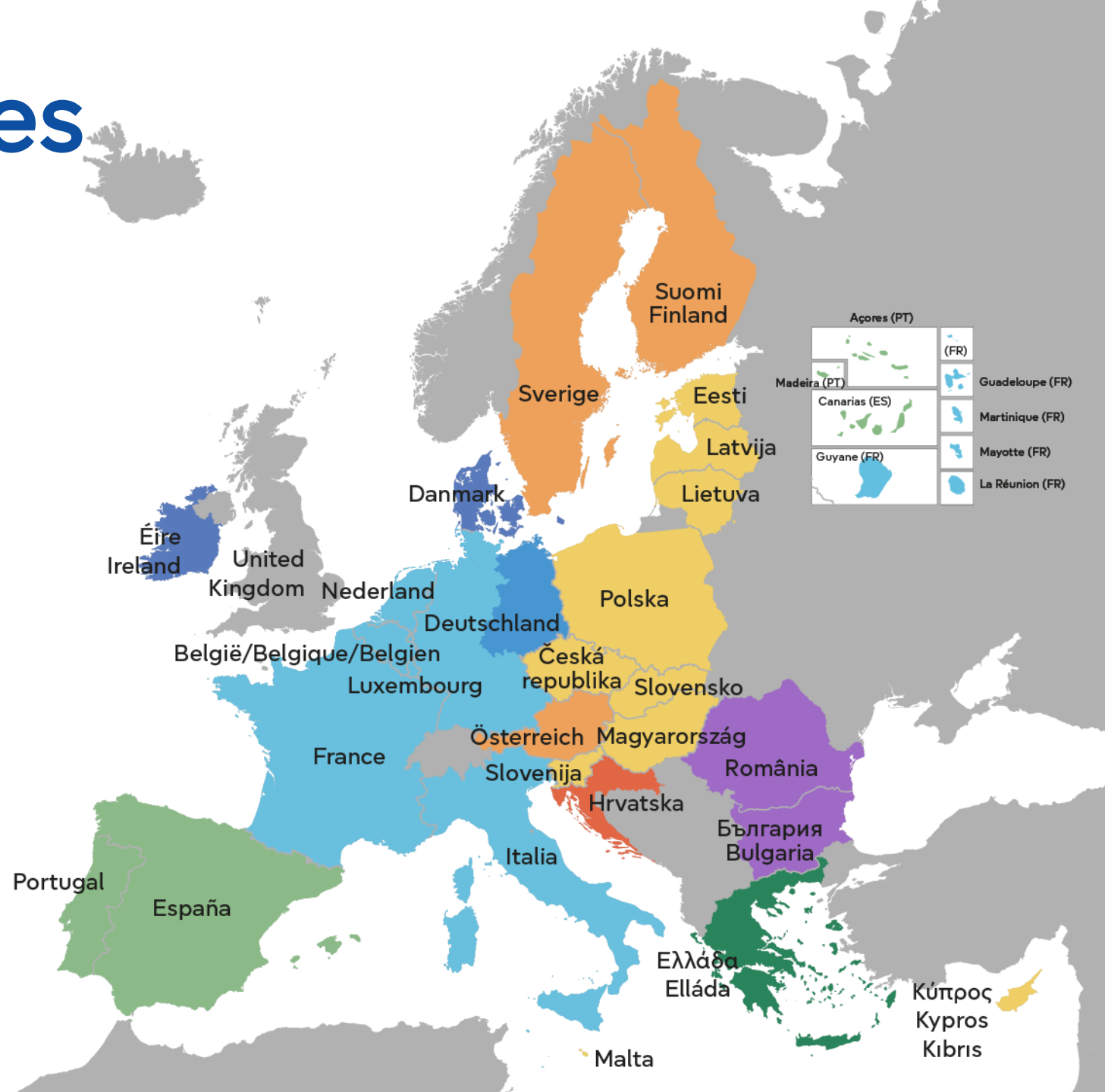
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What is the European Union?



EU Member States

- 1952
- 1973
- 1981
- 1986
- 1990
- 1995
- 2004
- 2007
- 2013
- 2020*
- Brexit



Functioning of the EU



Main EU Institutions



European
Parliament



Council of the
European Union



Who does what?

Subsidiarity &
Proportionality



Exclusive

Trade
Customs
Competition
Marine conservation
Monetary (Euro zone)



Shared

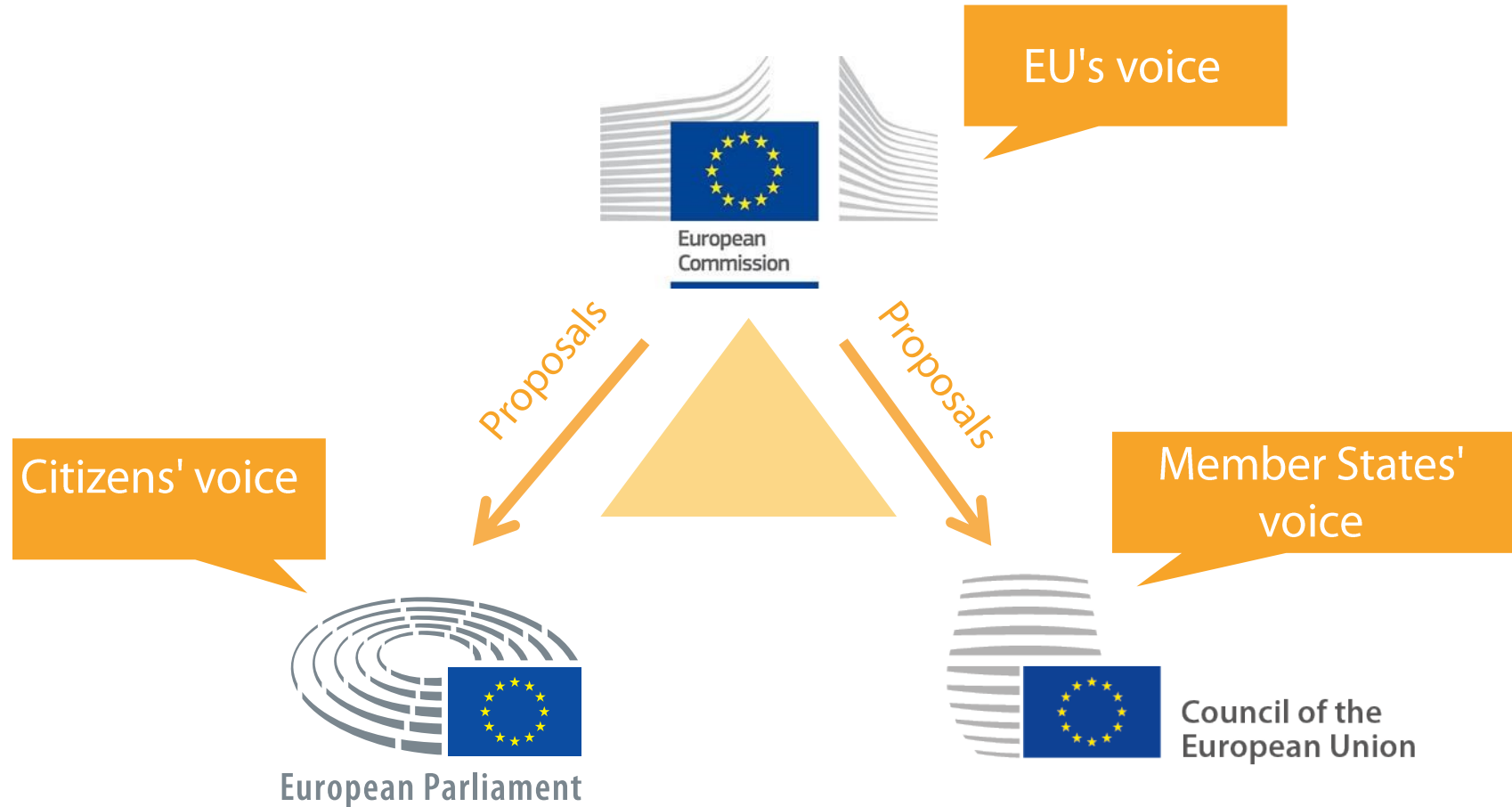
Agriculture
Energy
Research & Innovation
Environment
Transport
Consumer Protection
Freedom, security and
justice



Supporting

Education
Social security
Human health
Culture
Tourism

EU decision making (ordinary legislative procedure)



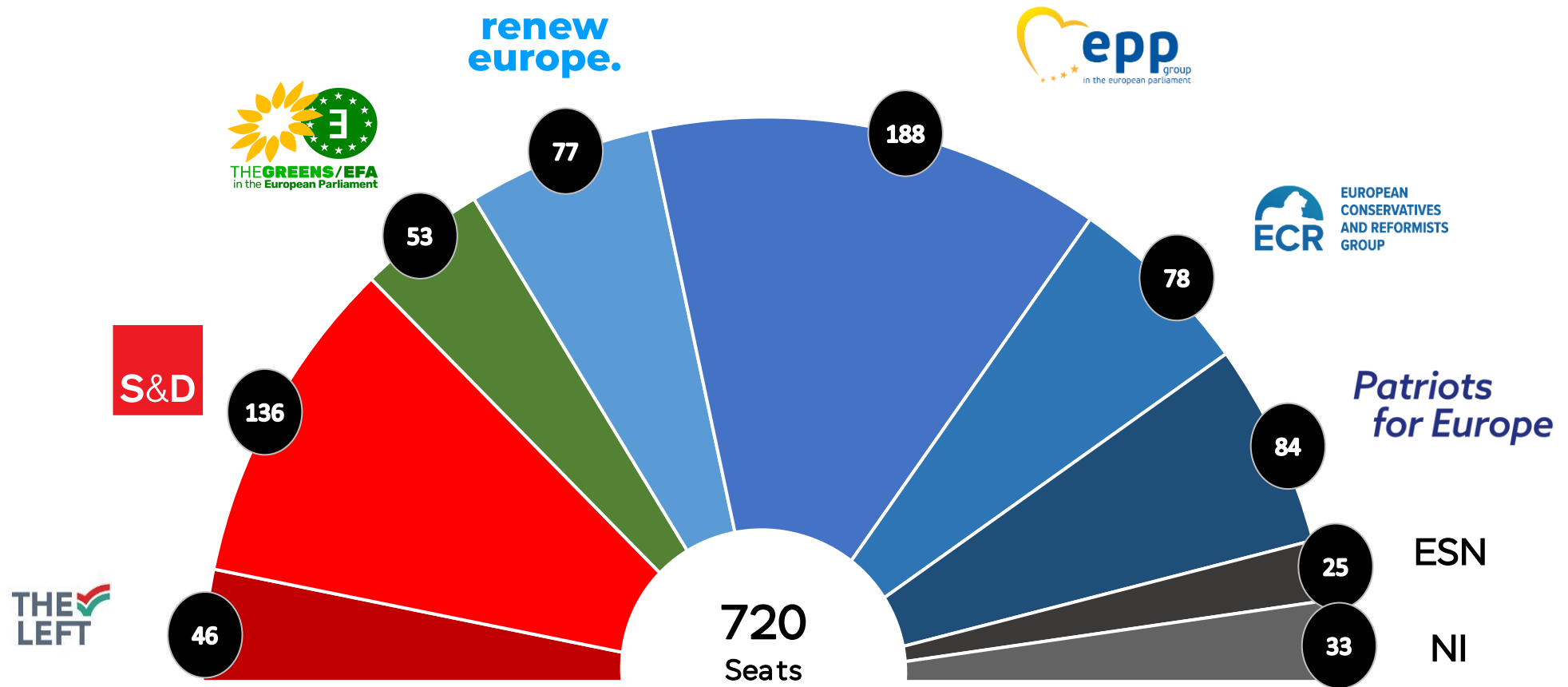
Inside the European Parliament



720 seats

96	 Germany	21	 Greece	14	 Ireland
81	 France	21	 Hungary	12	 Croatia
76	 Italy	21	 Portugal	11	 Lithuania
61	 Spain	21	 Sweden	9	 Latvia
53	 Poland	20	 Austria	9	 Slovenia
33	 Romania	17	 Bulgaria	7	 Estonia
31	 Netherlands	15	 Denmark	6	 Cyprus
22	 Belgium	15	 Finland	6	 Luxembourg
21	 Czech Republic	15	 Slovakia	6	 Malta

Political groups



10th legislature of the EP (2024–2029)

MEPs
from
200
national political
parties

50%
are new to
Parliament



50%
have been
MEPs before

23

youngest MEP

50

average age of
the MEPs

76

oldest MEP

39 %



0.1% OTHER



61 %

Parliamentary committees



20 standing committees

4 sub-committees

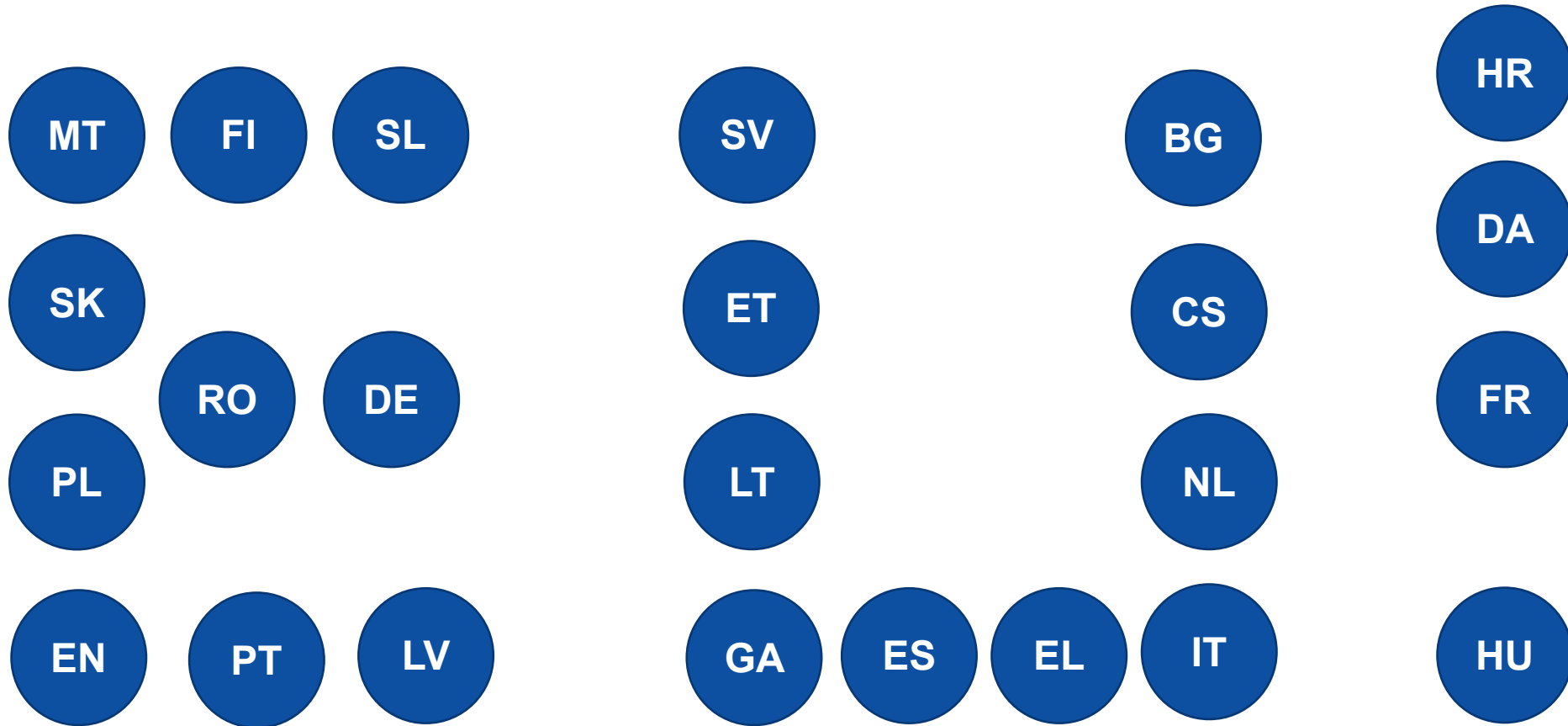
MEPS

79	AFET	Foreign Affairs				
		28	DROI	Human Rights	SEDE	30 Security & Defence
25	DEVE	Development				
43	INTA	International Trade				
40	BUDG	Budgets				
30	CONT	Budgetary Control				
60	ECON	Economic and Monetary Affairs				
		29	FISC	Tax matters		
58	EMPL	Employment and Social Affairs				
90	ENVI	Environment, Public Health & Food Safety				
		30	SANT	Public Health		
90	ITRE	Industry, Research and Energy				

MEPs

52	IMCO	Internal Market and Consumer Protection
46	TRAN	Transport and Tourism
41	REGI	Regional Development
49	AGRI	Agriculture and Rural Development
27	PECH	Fisheries
30	CULT	Culture and Education
25	JURI	Legal Affairs
74	LIBE	Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
30	AFCO	Constitutional Affairs
39	FEMM	Women's Rights and Gender Equality
35	PETI	Petitions

24 official languages



Calendar

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

2024



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The Digital Journey to the European Parliament

ep-digital-journey.eu



Democracy in action

WITH A NEW GOVERNMENT IN THE UK, WHAT MIGHT THIS MEAN FOR EU-UK RELATIONS?

SANNA KANGASHARJU



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MULTILINGUALISM IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

ALISON GRAVES



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LANGUAGE MATTERS



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MULTILINGUAL PARLIAMENT

why?



// All Members shall have the right to speak in Parliament
in the official language of their choice. //

Rules of Procedure of the European Parliament – Article 167



// *Members' language-related rights shall be [...] guaranteed on the basis of the principles governing 'resource-efficient full multilingualism'* //

Code of Conduct on Multilingualism – Article 1

Italian
German
French
Dutch

1958

1973

English
Danish

Greek

1981

Portuguese
Spanish

1986

Finnish
Swedish

1995

Estonian
Czech
Hungarian
Lithuanian
Latvian
Maltese
Polish
Slovak
Slovene

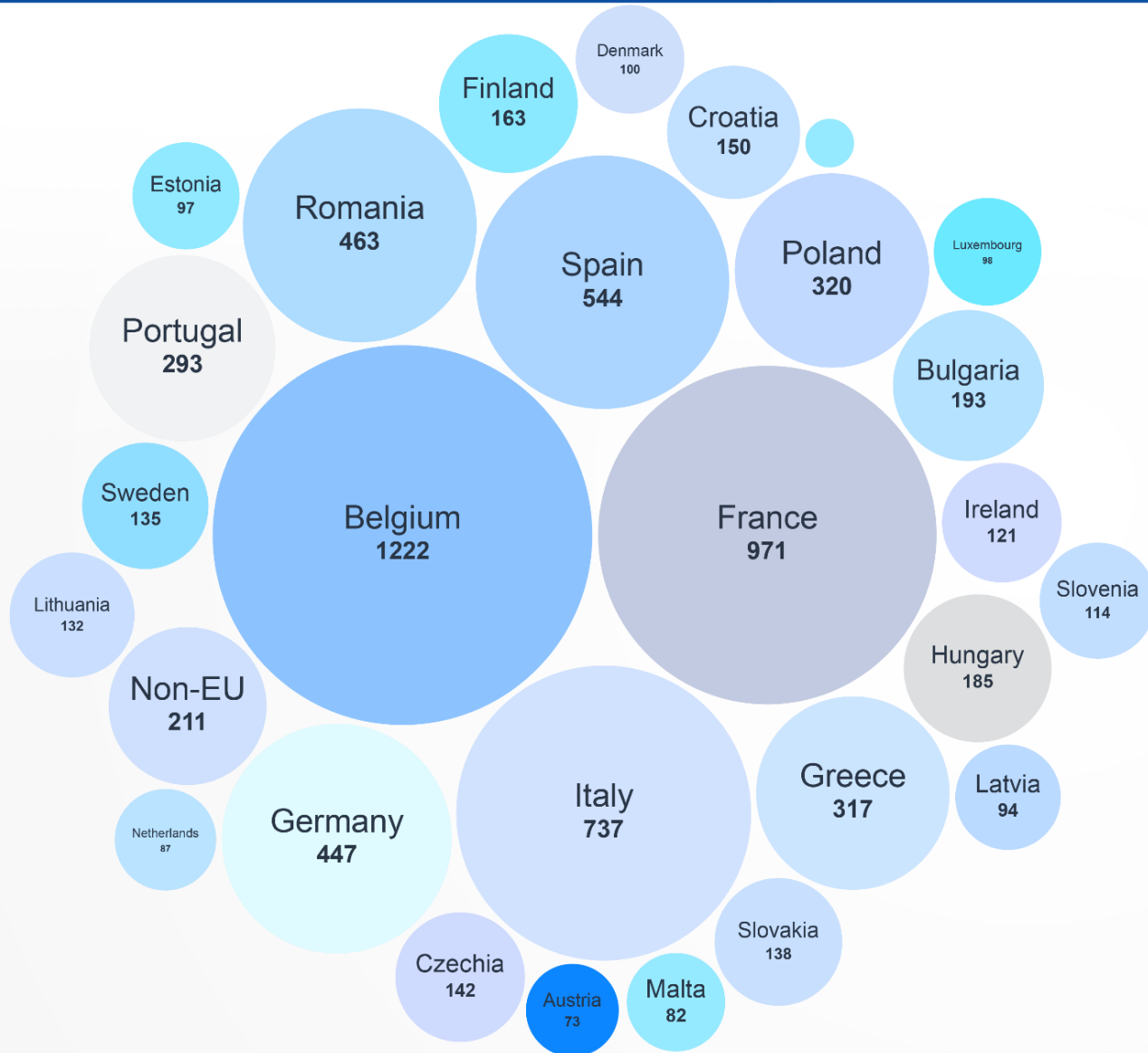
2004

Bulgarian
Irish
Romanian

2007

Croatian

2013



MULTILINGUALISM AS A WORKING ENVIRONMENT

EU CAREER PROFILES



Alison GRAVES, Director for Interpretation, European Parliament

LANGUAGE PROFESSIONALS

- 250 staff interpreters
- 1500 freelance interpreters
- 600 translators
- 75 lawyer linguists
- 450 communicators



TWENTY-FOUR LANGUAGES,
ONE EUROPE

VINGT-QUATRE LANGUES, UNE EUROPE

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AMBASSADOR SCHOOL PRACTICALITIES

ASHER JACOBSBERG



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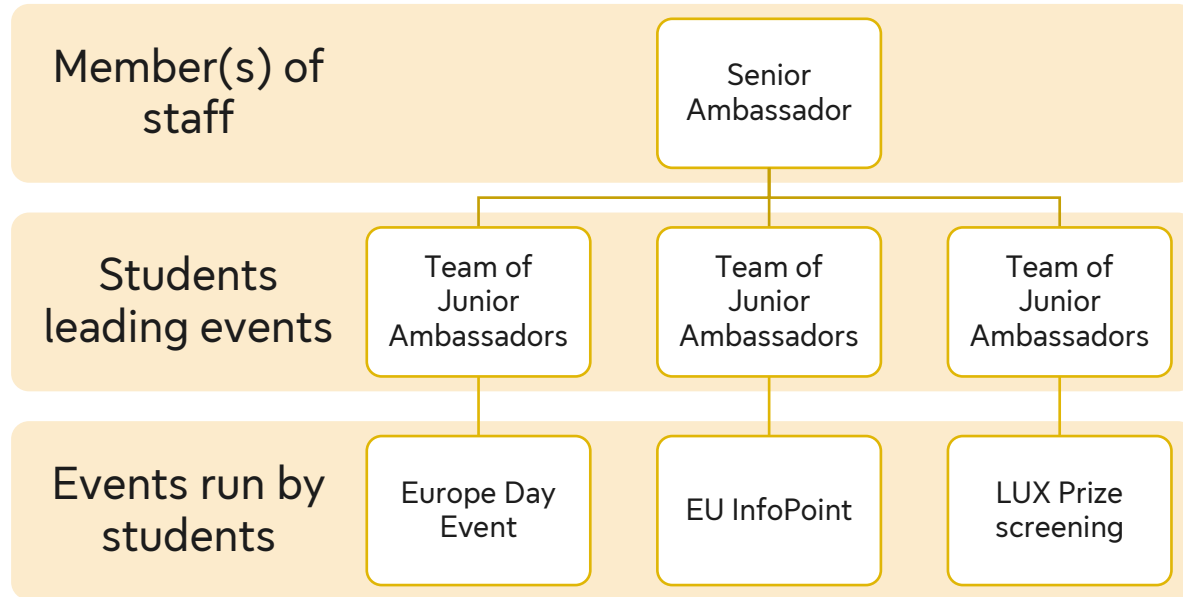
CRITERIA

1. Appoint Junior and Senior Ambassadors
2. Create an Info Point
3. Celebrate Europe Day
4. Book an educational programme offered by the European Parliament
5. Share European culture
6. Promote democratic engagement
7. Share your experiences through epas.org.uk and social media



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WHAT ARE AMBASSADORS?



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PROVIDING EVIDENCE

- Run your activity
- Take photos/video
- Share on your social media, tag:
 - #AmbassadorSchools
 - @EPinUK
 - @epasorguk
- 'Submit evidence' on epas.org.uk
 - Description
 - Images
 - Links
- We provide feedback
- We share through our channels



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TIMELINE

- Now: Recruit Junior Ambassadors
- Next two terms
 - Frequent ideas and updates from EPLO and Involver
 - Junior Ambassadors run events
 - You post about these on social media and send evidence to epas.org.uk
 - We assess this as evidence and share through our channels
- May/June: We send you an impact survey
- June/July: Awards and Certificates given out



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FITTING IT IN

- When in the day?
 - Lunchtime or after-school club
 - Enrichment activity
 - Timetabled as part of Citizenship
- How many events/activities?
 - 1-2 per term
- Crossover with other projects
 - British Council's International School Award
 - Rights Respecting Schools



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SHARING BEST PRACTICE

1. What activity was the most fun?
 2. Which involved the most people?
 3. What had the biggest impact?
- Check epas.org.uk/news
 - Follow @epasorguk and #AmbassadorSchools



USING SOCIAL MEDIA TO RAISE PROFILE

ANDRAS JUHASZ



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Home



Explore



Notifications



Messages



Lists



Communities



Premium



Profile



More

Post



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EP delegation for International trade arriving to Dublin this afternoon for a 2-day visit. [@EPTrade](#)



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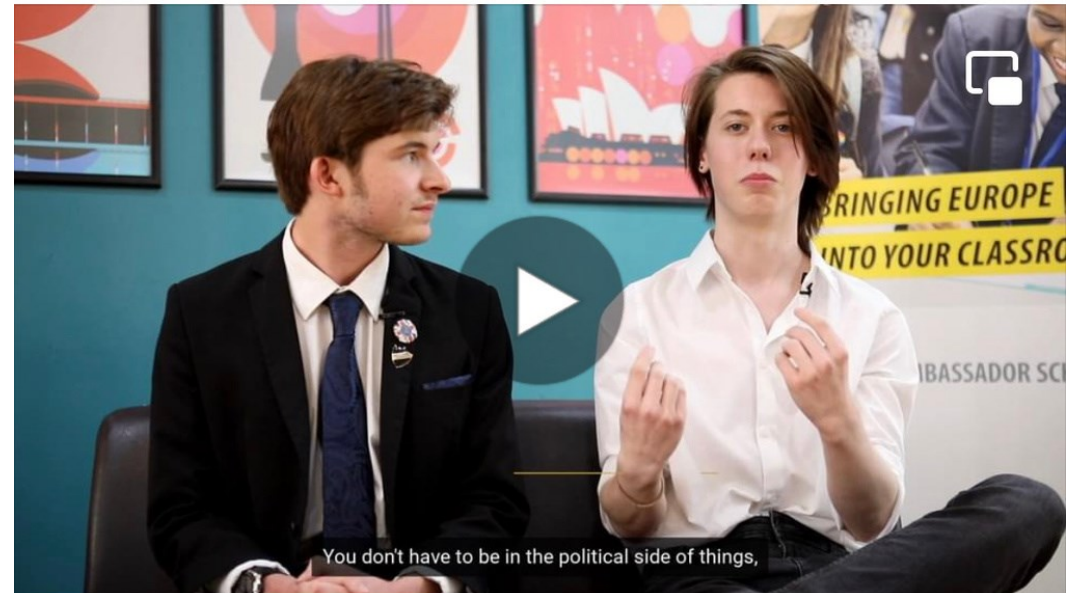
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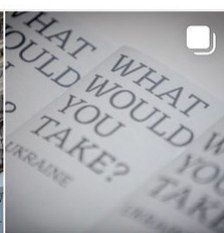
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Today at @USP_college, students in politics learned about the EU and its history, along with key institutions in the EU. We then took part in debates on issues circulating Europe.

We would like to thank @AsherJac @EPinUK @epasorguk for making this possible.



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Loreto High School reposted
Julie Ward Labour MEP 2014-20 @julie4n... · 11 Jul



I spent an inspiring morning listening to the amazing learning journeys of our youngest citizens who undoubtedly all still feel very #European

Loreto Citizens @loretocitizens · 11 Jul

A huge thanks to @LordMayorOfMcr and @julie4north for attending our @epasorguk Accreditation ceremony at @loretochorlton and sharing warm words on the power of active citizenship #EPAmbassadorSchools #EPAS



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