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EU Decision-Making:
Procedures and Engagement

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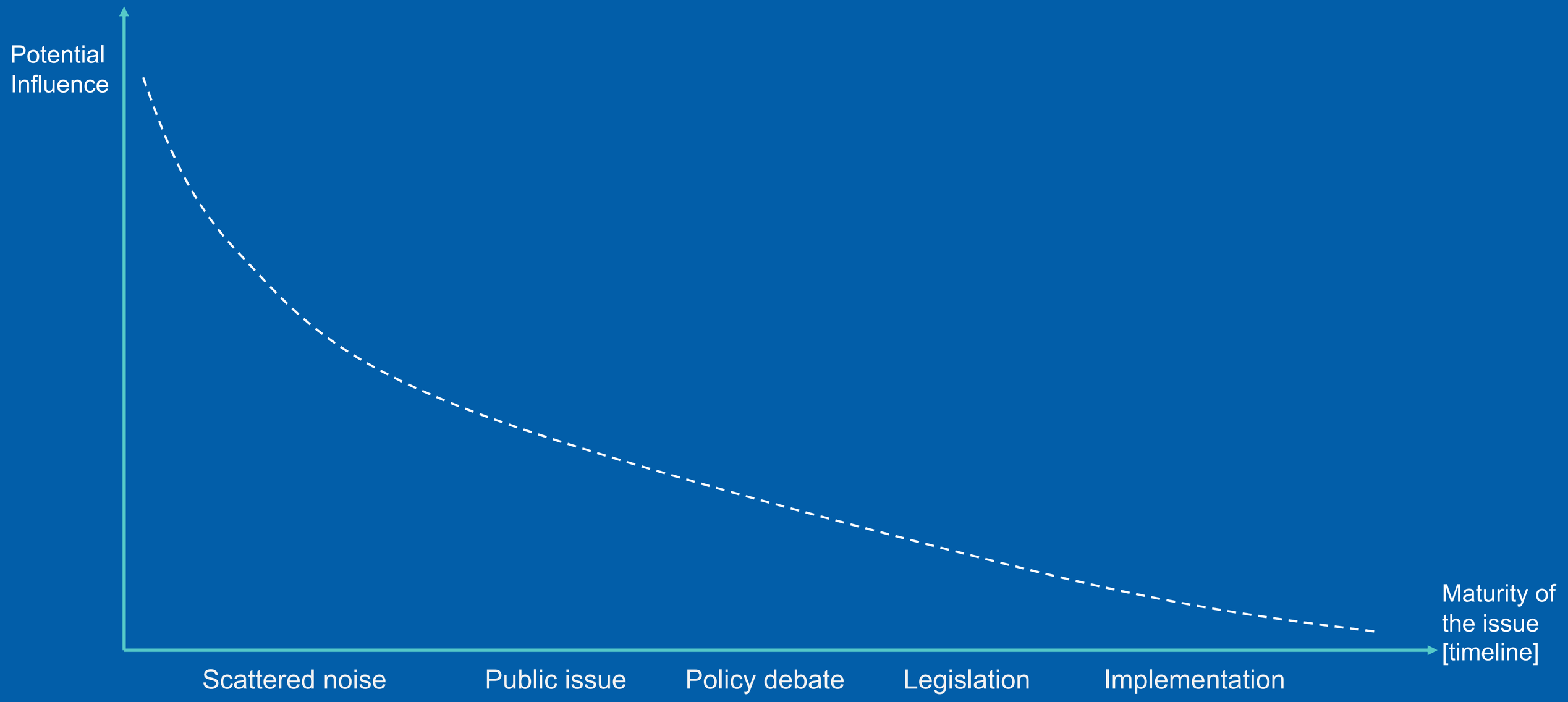
TODAY'S AGENDA

- Understanding decision-making processes:
- European Commission, Council and Parliament
- EU elections: Timeline & Impact
- Mapping & engaging with stakeholders
- Tools and resources: how and where to find essential info/intel
- Q&A

What Can You Achieve… And When



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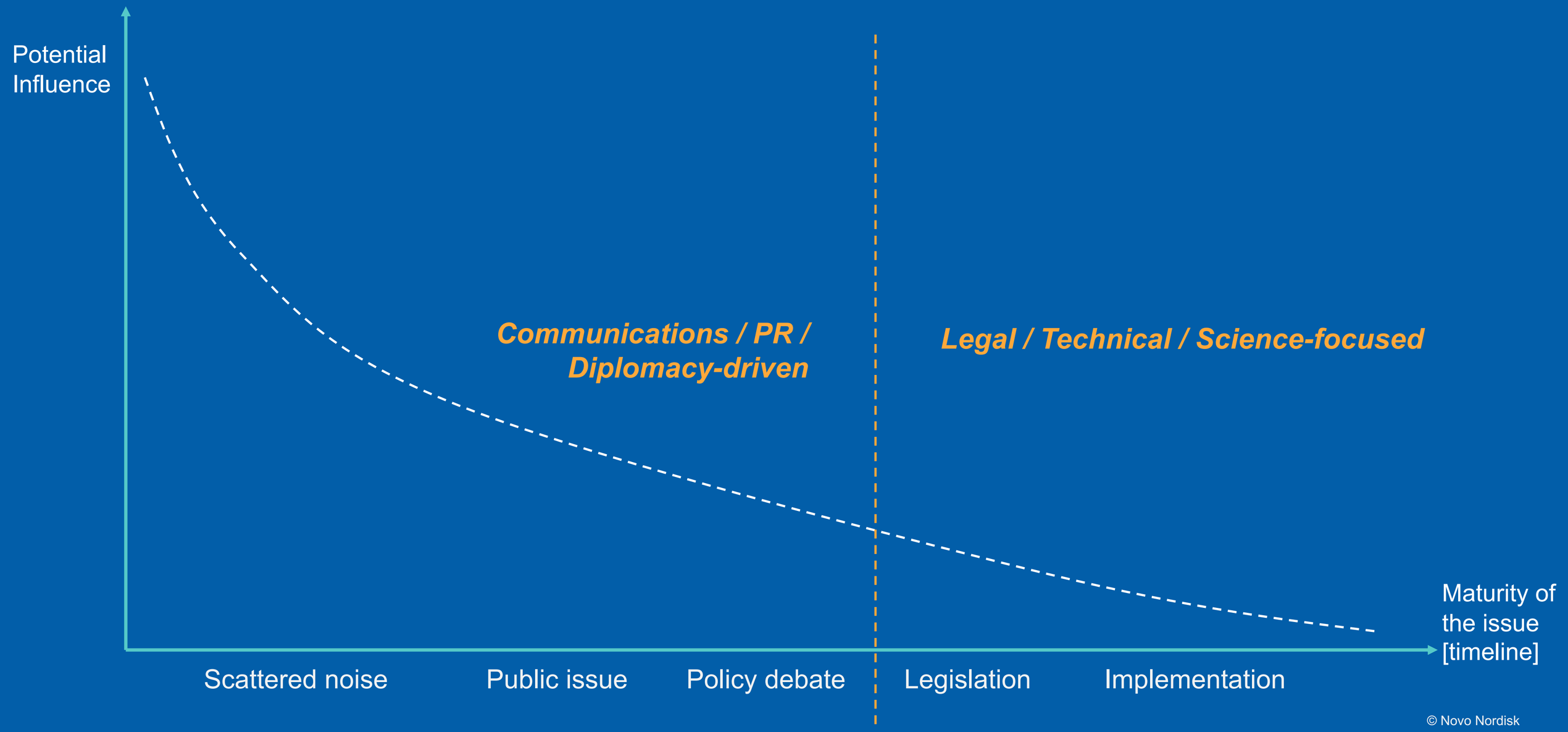

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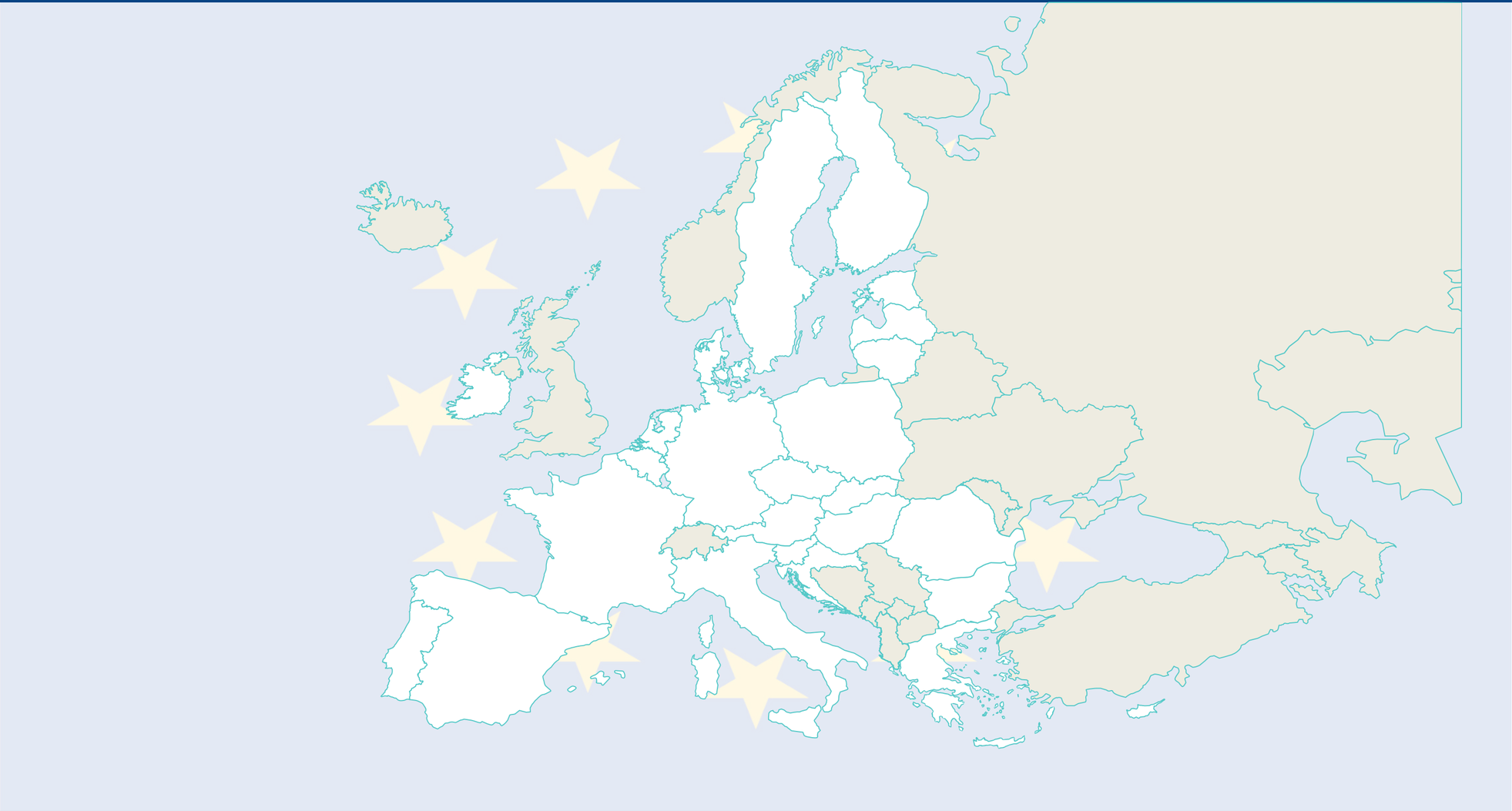
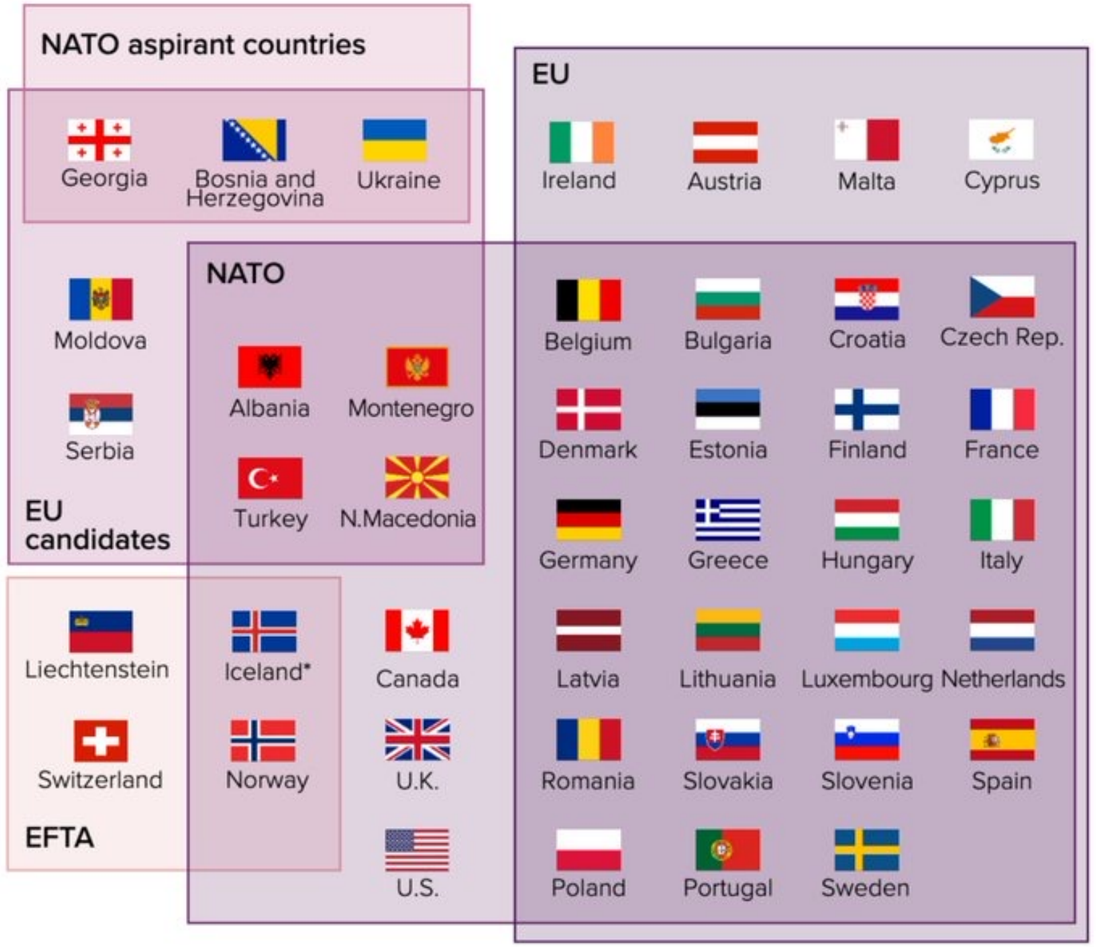
Defining the context – What is “the European level?”



SWEDEN JOINS NATO CLUB

Sweden has officially become the Western military alliance's 32nd member. That leaves only four EU member countries now out of the club — Ireland, Malta, Austria and Cyprus.



*Iceland has not officially withdrawn its EU application, but in 2015 its government requested that "Iceland should not be regarded as a candidate country for EU membership."

SOURCE: POLITICO research, European Union, NATO, EFTA

By Arnau Busquets Guàrdia and Lucia Mackenzie

Source: POLITICO, last update March 2024

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Energy, Environment, 4 Freedoms, Agriculture Consumer Protection… rural and regional funding instruments
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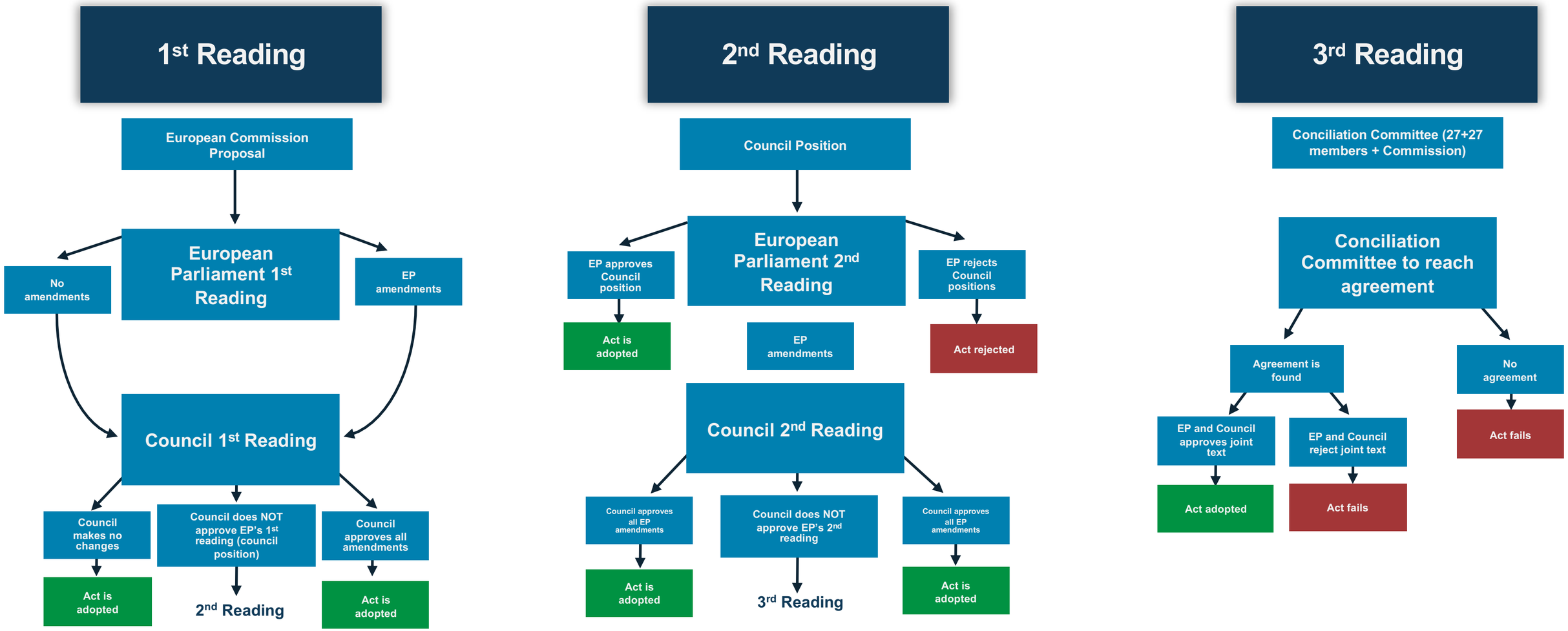
The Ordinary Legislative Procedure



Decision-making Rules in the Institutions

EUROPEAN COMMISSION	EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT	EUROPEAN MINISTERS (MEMBER STATES)
Absolute majority	Simple majority	Unanimity
Unanimity (consensus)	Absolute majority	Qualified majority ▪ 55% ▪ 65%
	Special majority	

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Set the votes for each country

Countries participating	Votes	Reset all to Yes
All countries participating / Only Eurozone countries participating		
Austria 1.98% of population		
Belgium 2.56% of population		
Bulgaria 1.56% of population		
Croatia 0.91% of population		
Cyprus 0.20% of population		
Czech Republic 2.35% of population		
Denmark 1.30% of population		
Estonia 0.30% of population		
Finland		

Choose the voting rule

Voting rule: Qualified majority

Voting result

Final result

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27 **member states**
Minimum "Yes" required for adoption: (55%) 15

27	0	0
Yes	No	Abstain

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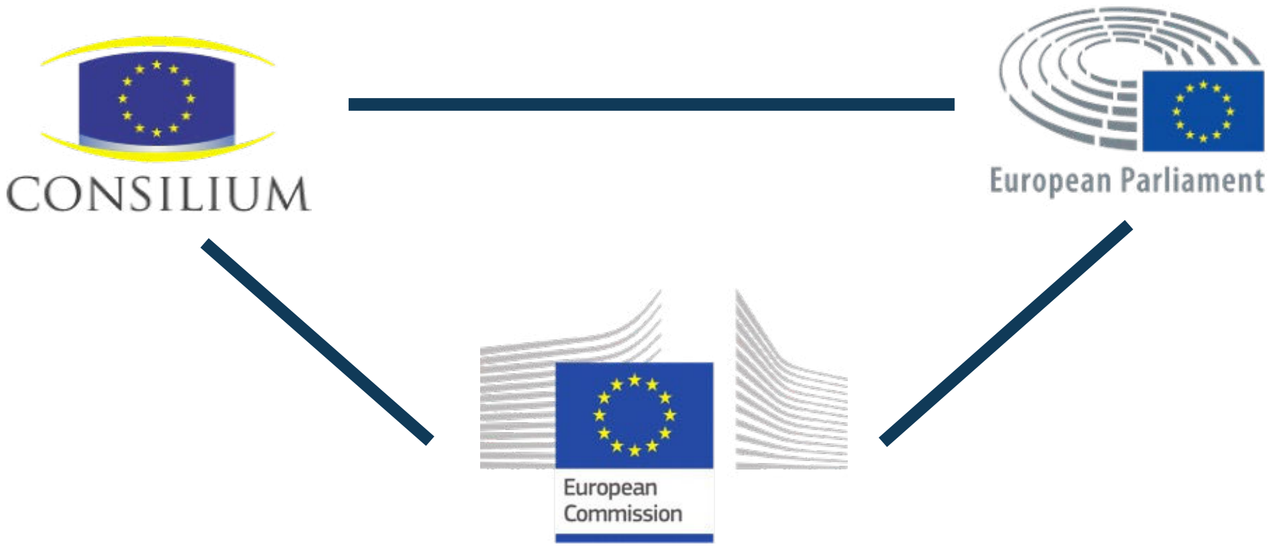

AGENCIES (INC. ESAs)

European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
European Medicines Agency (EMA)
European Banking Authority
European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority
European Securities and Markets Authority
European Systemic Risk Board

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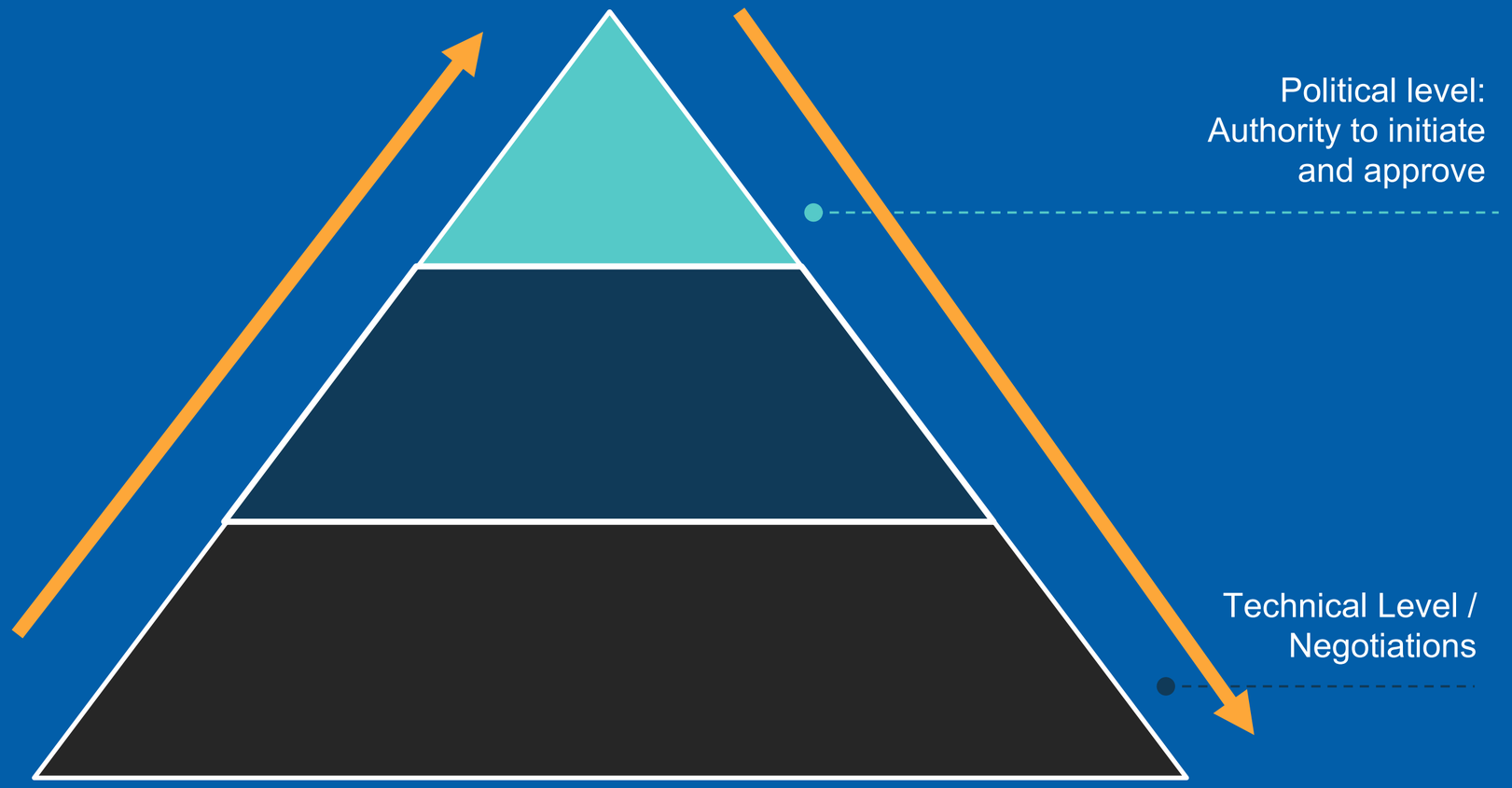
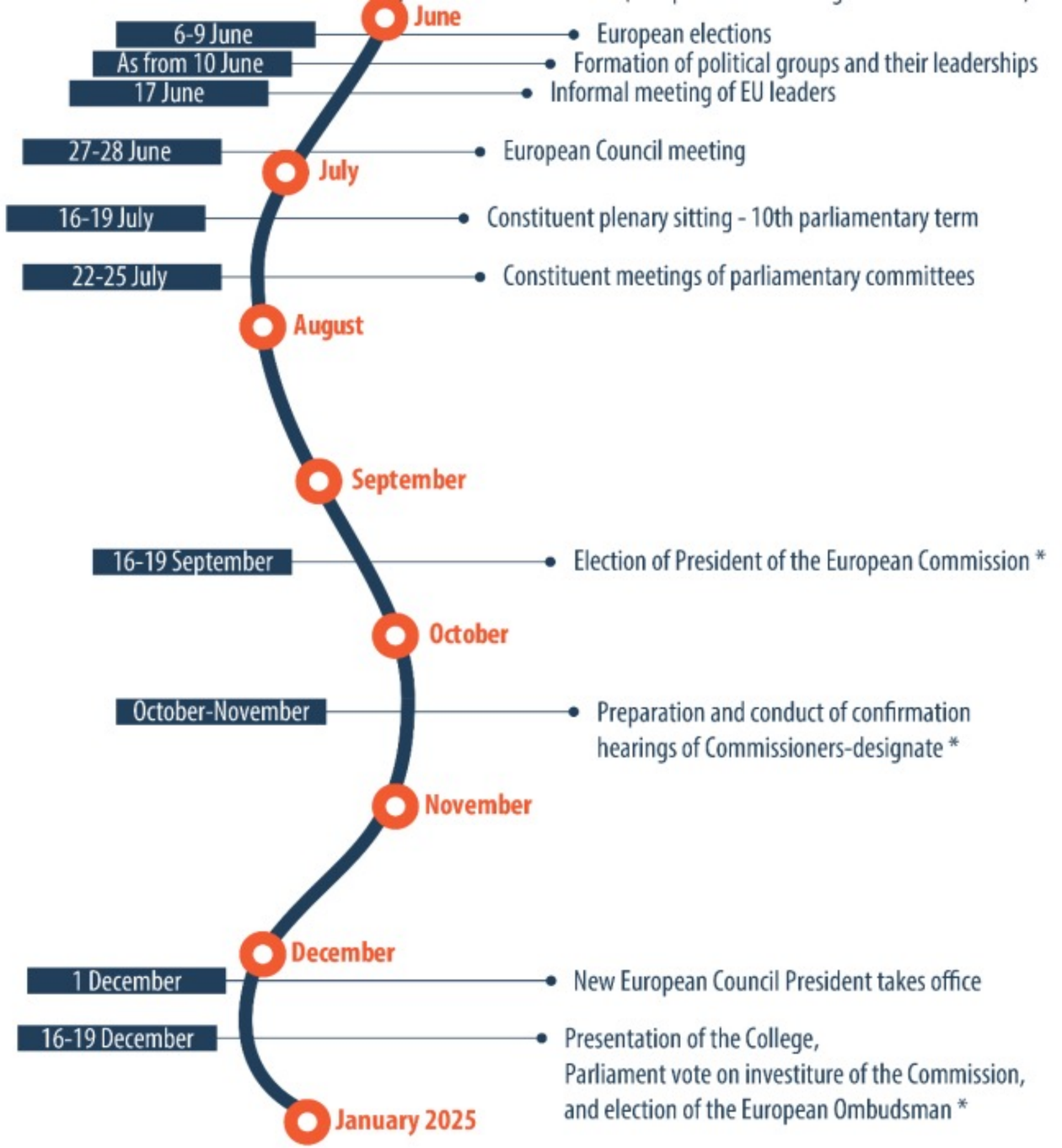
Policy-Making in the Institutions



The EU Elections:

New Parliament, New Commission, New Council



* These dates concerning the installation of the new European Commission represent the scenario currently considered most likely, but a different timetable could unfold, depending on the political situation after the elections. In particular, the timings will depend on decisions of the Conference of Presidents in the new Parliament

What Influences the Commission to Initiate Legislation?

TECHNICAL ACTORS

- Input from scientific and advisory committees
- Expert Groups
- Agencies

Important: check the relevant institutional stakeholders to your sector!

POLITICAL ACTORS

- European Parliament
- Member States in the Council
- European Citizens' Initiative: 1 million citizens from at least 7 Member States

PUBLIC ACTORS

- Public Consultations
- Stakeholder Consultations
- Member States Engagement
- Media

- "Real Life", Political Events

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No.	Policy objective	Initiatives
A European Green Deal		
1.	**Zero pollution package**	a) **Revision of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q2 2022) b) **Integrated water management – revised lists of surface and groundwater pollutants** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 192 TFEU, Q3 2021) c) **Revision of EU ambient air quality legislation** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 192 TFEU, Q3 2022)
2.	**Climate measures package**	a) **Review of EU rules on fluorinated greenhouse gases** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 192(1) TFEU, Q2 2022) b) **EU framework for harmonised measurement of transport and logistics emissions** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Articles 91 and 100(2) TFEU, Q4 2022) c) **Review of the CO2 emission standards for heavy-duty vehicles** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 192(1) TFEU, Q4 2022) d) **Carbon removal certification** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 192(1) TFEU, Q4 2022)
3.	**Circular economy**	**Initiative on the right to repair** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Q3 2022)
4.	**Plastics package**	a) **Policy framework for bio-based, biodegradable and compostable plastics** (non-legislative, Q2 2022) b) **Restriction on microplastics** (non-legislative, Q4 2022) c) **Measures to reduce the release of microplastics in the environment** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 114 TFEU, Q4 2022)
5.	**Biodiversity and Farm to fork**	**Sustainable use of pesticides – revision of the EU rules** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Article 192(1) TFEU, Q1 2022)
A Europe Fit for the Digital Age		
6.	**Cyber resilience**	**European cyber resilience act** (legislative, incl. impact assessment, Q3 2022)
7.	**Semi-conductors**	**European chips act** (legislative or non-legislative, Q2 2022)
8.	**Security and defence**	**Roadmap on security and defence technologies** (non-legislative, Q1 2022)

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Allocation of responsibilities and supporting services [1]

Responsibilities	Names	Services
President of the Commission	Ursula von der Leyen	**Secretariat-General (SG)** **Legal Service (LS)** **DG Communication (COMM),** including the **Spokespersons' Service (SPP)** **I.D.E.A.**
The European Green Deal Climate Action Policy	Frans Timmermans	**Secretariat-General** for the Executive Vice-President coordination role **DG Climate Action (DG CLIMA)** for the Commissioner's role
A Europe fit for the Digital Age Competition	Margrethe Vestager	**Secretariat-General** for the Executive Vice-President coordination role **DG Competition (DG COMP)** for the Commissioner's role *Changes for DG COMP:* - *Unit AGRI.I.2 (State Aid) moves from DG AGRI to DG COMP* - *The relevant part of Unit MARE.E.4 (Legal Affairs), dealing with state aid, moves from DG MARE to DG COMP*
An Economy that Works for People Financial Services	Valdis Dombrovskis	**Secretariat-General** for the Executive Vice-President coordination role **DG Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union (DG FISMA)** for the Commissioner's role. *Changes for DG FISMA:* - *Unit JUST.B.3 (Financial Crime) dealing with anti-money laundering moves from DG JUST to DG FISMA* - *The part of Unit FPI.5 dealing with sanctions moves from FPI to DG FISMA* Responsible for relations with: - European Banking Authority (EBA) - European Insurance and Occupational Pensions Authority (EIOPA) - European Securities and Markets Authority (ESMA) - European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) - Single Resolution Board (SRB)

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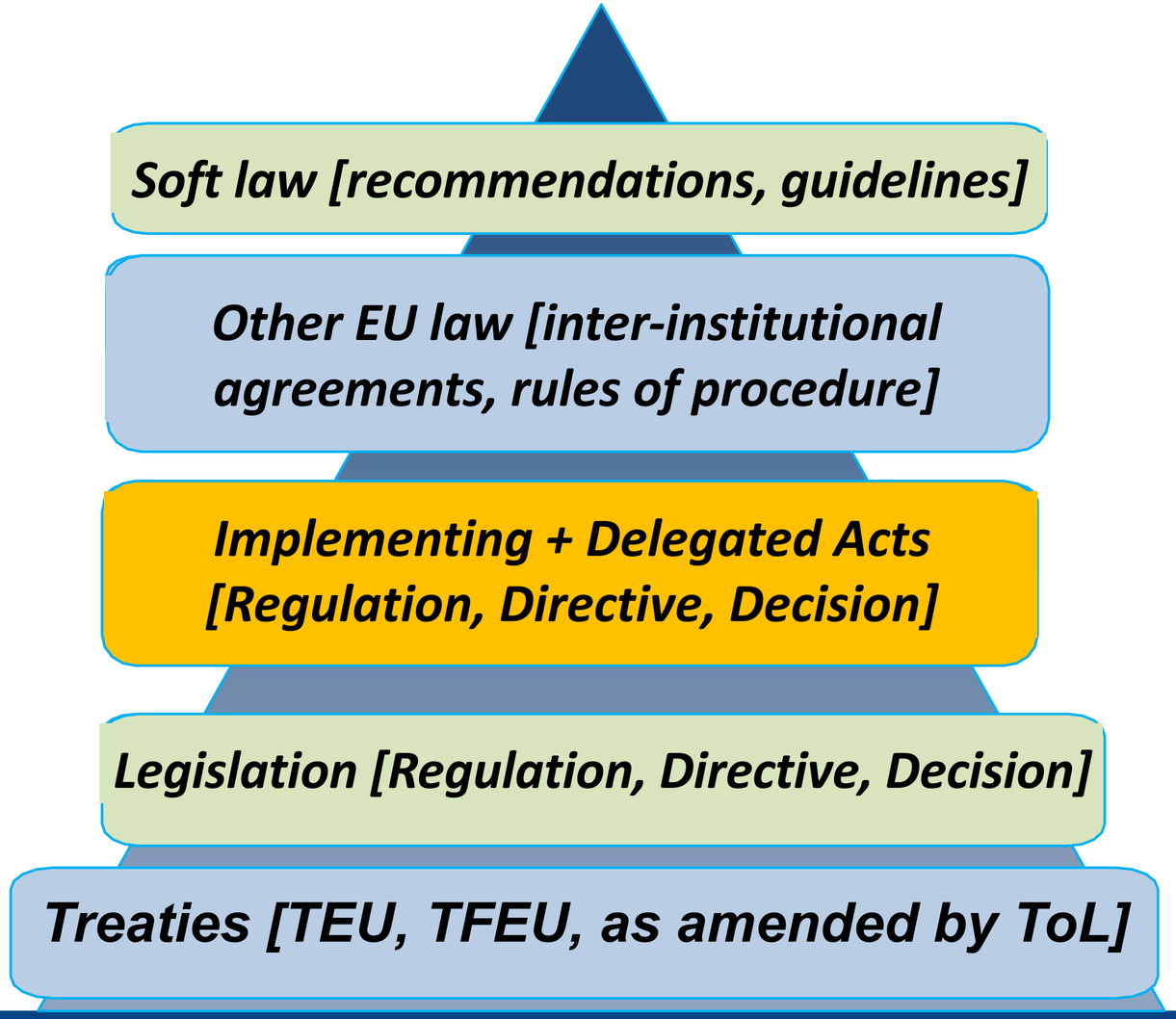
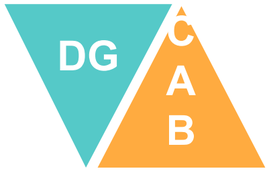
Hierarchy of EU Legislation





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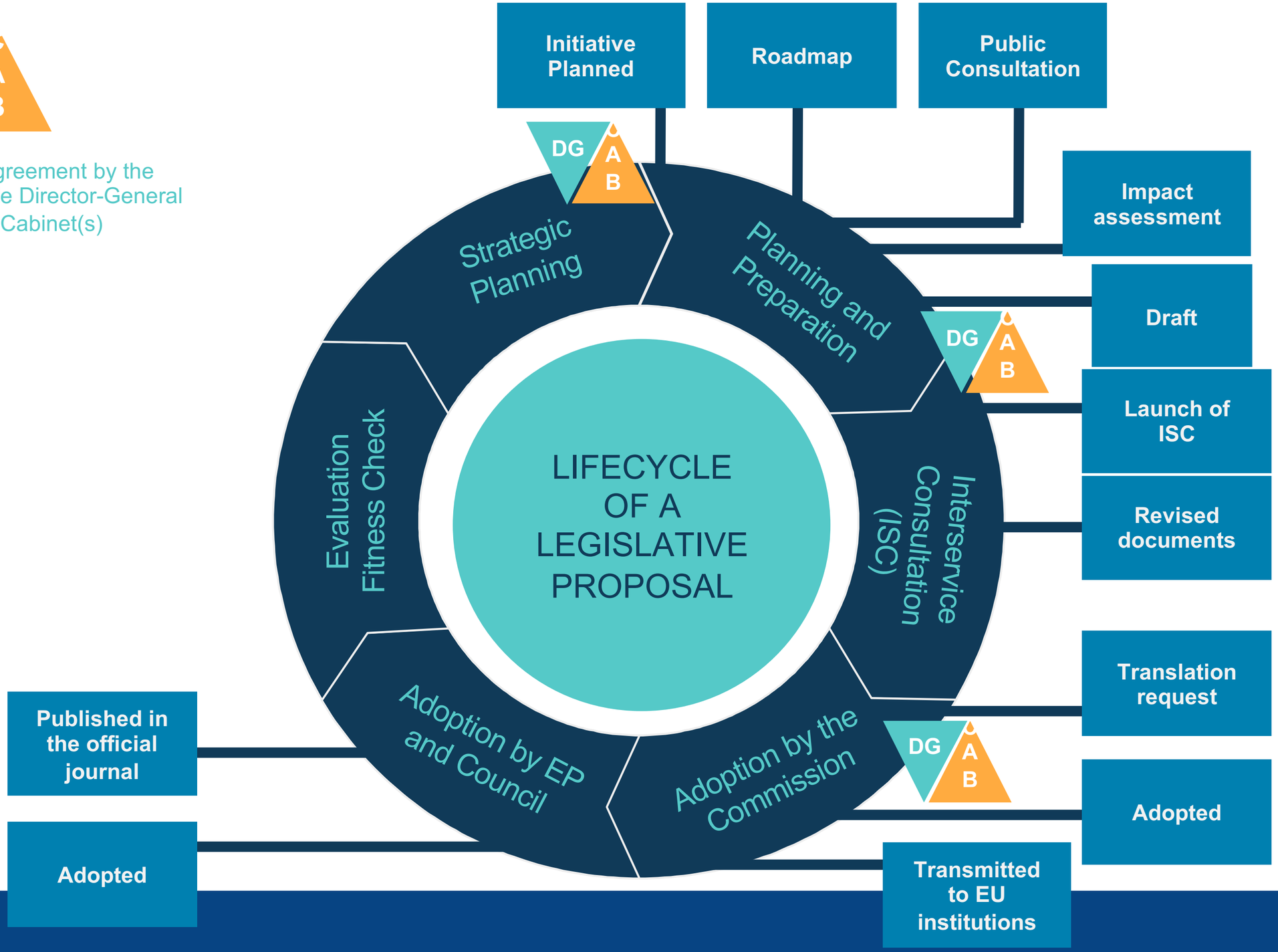

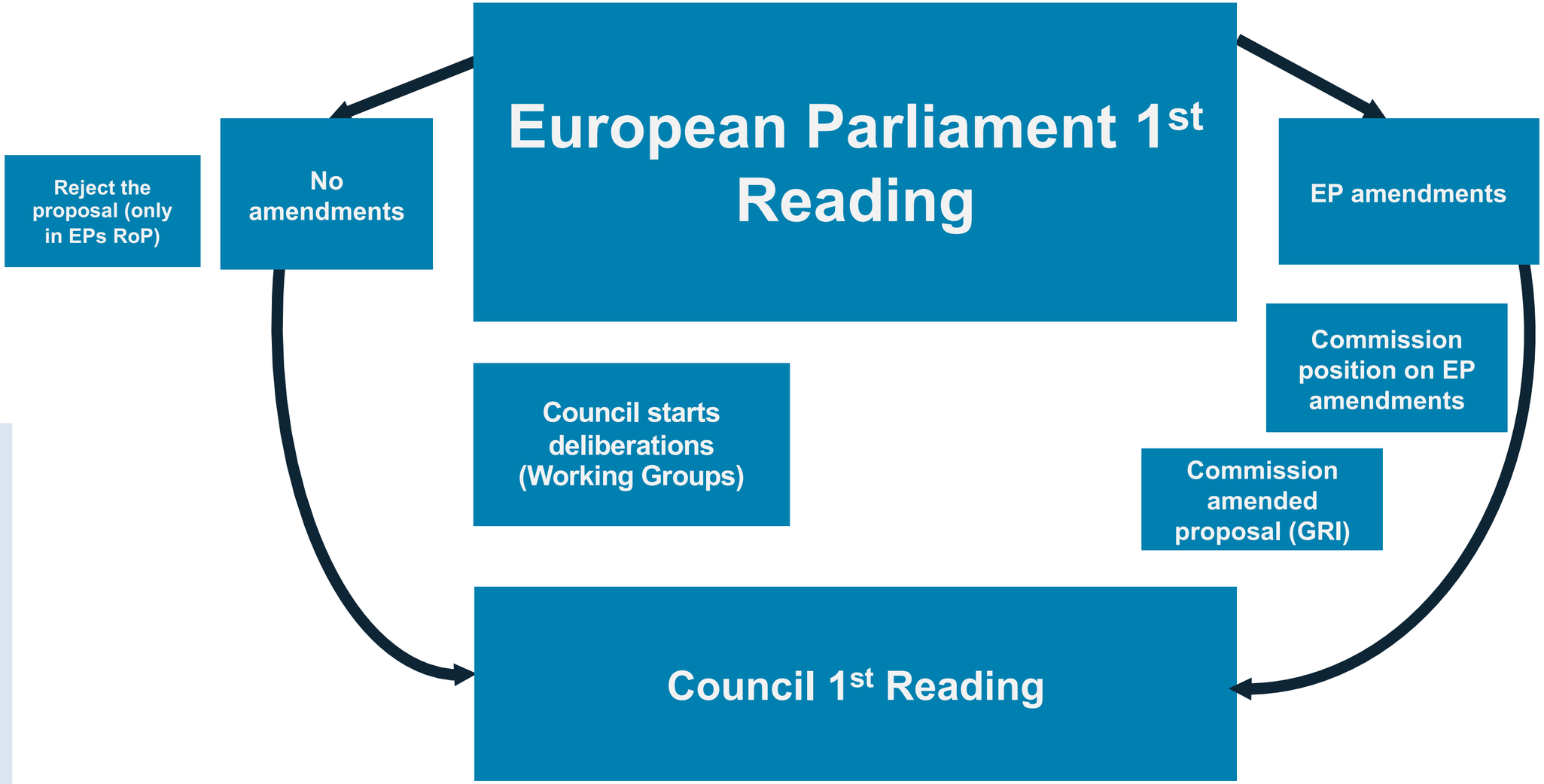
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Reject the proposal (only in EPs RoP)
No amendments
EP amendments
Commission position on EP amendments
Council starts deliberations (Working Groups)
Commission amended proposal (GRI)
Council 1st Reading

A Growing Parliament: from 706 to 720 MEPs

Source: European Parliament, 2004

Commissioners' relationships with EP Committees

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Vice-Presidents	Margrethe Vestager	Europe fit for the Digital Age	ECON	ITRE, IMCO, ECON
Vice-Presidents	Josep Borrell	High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy; A Stronger Europe in the World	ECON	AFET
Vice-Presidents	Margaritis Schinas	Promoting our European Way of Life	EMPL	LIBE, CULT
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Vice-Presidents	Věra Jourová	Values and Transparency	ITRE	AFCO, LIBE
Vice-Presidents	Dubravka Šuica	Democracy and Demography	ITRE	AFCO
Commissioners	Johannes Hahn	Budget and Administration		BUDG, CONT
Commissioners	Mariya Gabriel	Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth	IMCO	ITRE, CULT
Commissioners	Nicolas Schmit	Jobs and Social Rights	AFET	EMPL
Commissioners	Paolo Gentiloni	Economy	LIBE	ECON
Commissioners	Janusz Wojciechowski	Agriculture	LIBE	AGRI
Commissioners	Thierry Breton	Internal Market	LIBE	IMCO, ITRE
Commissioners	Elisa Ferreira	Cohesion and Reforms	CULT	REGI
Commissioners	Stella Kyriakides	Health and Food Safety		ENVI
Commissioners	Didier Reynders	Justice	AFCO	LIBE, JURI
Commissioners	Helena Dalli	Equality	AFCO	FEMM, EMPL
Commissioners	Ylva Johansson	Home Affairs		LIBE
Commissioners	Janez Lenarčič	Crisis Management		DEVE
Commissioners	Adina Vălean	Transport		TRAN
Commissioners	Olivér Várhelyi	Neighbourhood and Enlargement		AFET
Commissioners	Jutta Urpilainen	International Partnerships	DEV	DEVE
Commissioners	Kadri Simson	Energy	DEV	ITRE
Commissioners	Virginijus Sinkevičius	Oceans and Fisheries		ENVI, PECH
Commissioners	Mairead McGuinness	Financial Services, Financial Stability and Capital Markets Union		ECON

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David Sassoli (S&D)

Lorenzo Mannelli, *Head of Cabinet*

Klaus Welle, *Secretary General*

"I want the European Green Deal to become Europe's hallmark. At the heart of it is our commitment to becoming the world's first climate-neutral continent. It is also a long-term economic imperative: those who act first and fastest will be the ones who grasp the opportunities from the ecological transition. I want Europe to be the front-runner. I want Europe to be the exporter of knowledge, technologies and best practice."

— Ursula von der Leyen
President of the European Commission

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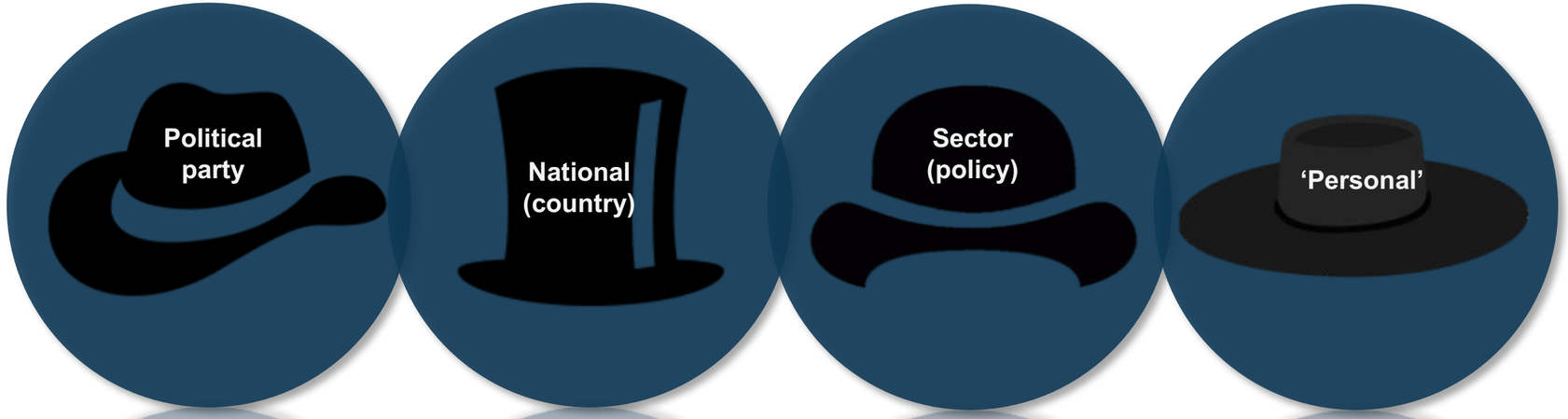

Key players

European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	ENVI Environment, Public Health and Food Safety	RIES Frédérique	07/05/2018
		Shadow rapporteur	
		FLORENZ Karl-Heinz	
		PAOLUCCI Massimo	
		DEMESMAEKER Mark	
		BOYLAN Lynn	
		AUKEN Margrete	
		PEDICINI Piernicola	
		GODDYN Sylvie	
	Committee for opinion	**Rapporteur for opinion**	**Appointed**
	ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	KAPPEL Barbara	20/06/2018
	ITRE Industry, Research and Energy	KAPPEL Barbara	25/06/2018
	AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	ROPÉ Bronis	10/07/2018
	PECH Fisheries	BRIANO Renata	14/06/2018
	JURI Legal Affairs	The committee decided not to give an opinion.	
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European Commission	**Commission DG**	**Commissioner**	
	Environment	VELLA Karmenu	

Key events

28/05/2018	Legislative proposal published	COM(2018)0340	Summary
11/06/2018	Committee referral announced in Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		
10/10/2018	Vote in committee, 1st reading/single reading		
11/10/2018	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0317/2018	Summary
22/10/2018	Debate in Parliament		
24/10/2018	Results of vote in Parliament		
24/10/2018	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T8-0411/2018	Summary
24/10/2018	Matter referred back to the committee responsible		
22/01/2019	Approval in committee of the text agreed at 1st reading interinstitutional negotiations	PE632.990 GEDA/A/(2019)000622	
27/03/2019	Debate in Parliament		
27/03/2019	Decision by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	T8-0305/2019	Summary
21/05/2019	Act adopted by Council after Parliament's 1st reading		
05/06/2019	Final act signed		
05/06/2019	End of procedure in Parliament		
12/06/2019	Final act published in Official Journal		

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- Working Party of Veterinary Experts
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- Working Party on Foodstuff Quality
- Working Party on Foodstuffs
- Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices
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