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GENERAL INFORMATION

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All data within the PIREDEU project will become publicly available. The PIREDEU Steering Committee has decided for a two-stage data release:

- an initial release (March 2010) of the data set, without full documentation and intercoder reliability information
- a final release (December 2010) including full documentation.

TEXT TO BE USED IN PUBLICATIONS

The data are available for public use and are to be cited as follows:
EES (2009), European Parliament Election Study 2009, Media Study Data, Advance Release, 31/03/2010, (www.piredeu.eu).

The citation of the data should **always** be accompanied by a citation of – at least – this codebook / advance release documentation:

Schuck, Andreas; Xezonakis, Georgios; Banducci, Susan; and de Vreese, Claes H. (2010), *EES (2009) Media Study Data Advance Release Documentation*, 31/03/2010. (www.piredeu.eu)

Alternatively:

“The media study is part of the European Election Study and the PIREDEU Project (Providing Providing an Infrastructure for Research on Electoral Democracy in the European Union, www.piredeu.eu). Details about the the media study can be found in Schuck, A., Xezonakis, G., Banducci, S., & de Vreese, C. H. (2010)”.

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GOAL OF PIREDEU

The pan-European project is funded by the European Union under the Seventh Framework Program from 2008 - 2011. This three-year design study will assess the feasibility of an upgrade to the European Election Studies that will provide an infrastructure for research into citizenship, political participation, and electoral democracy in the European Union (EU). The scientific and technical feasibility of this infrastructure will be investigated by means of a pilot study conducted in the context of the 2009 elections to the European parliament. If the pilot study is successful the EES will be in a position to request funds to create a comprehensive empirical database that would endow the social science community with the most essential information required for a recurrent audit of the most important aspects of the electoral process in the European Union.

At the same time as providing evidence for a feasibility assessment, the pilot study will provide the basis for a fully-fledged study of the European Parliament elections of 2009, comprising a voters study, a candidate study, a media study, a manifestos study, and a contextual data study.

PIREDEU involves more than 20 participating researchers from some 14 institutions in western and eastern Europe and a large community of affiliated experts from all EU member states

GOAL OF WP 5 MEDIA STUDY

The scientific objectives of the Media team are to:

- carry out a content analysis of the news in the campaign for the 2009 European elections in all 27 member states of the EU.
- ensure that the data can be linked to the other data collected in this design study.

Continuity with media studies conducted in 1999 and 2004 in terms of data sources and methodology (within the framework of the European Election Studies – EES) is crucial. We will explore similar questions on Europeaness of news coverage, agenda setting, economic voting, framing and mobilisation. We intend to build a longitudinal study comprising both 1999 and 2004 and 2009 studies. The substantive innovation

would be including new themes and creating explicit links with the voter and party manifesto components. Methodologically, we will adopt a centralised model of capturing and coding. The study will give due consideration to the aim of building an infrastructure for future studies while evaluating different options and trade-offs between costs and data quality. After the collection and cleaning of data, we will provide a codebook and write a report on the quality of the data, and make the data and its codebook publicly available.

Sample:

The content analysis was carried out on a sample of national news media coverage in all 27 EU member states. We focus on national television and newspapers because these media are consistently listed as the most important sources of information about the EU for citizens in Europe (*Eurobarometer* 54–62). In each country we include the main national evening news broadcasts of the most widely watched public and commercial television stations. We also include two ‘quality’ (i.e. broadsheet) and one tabloid newspaper from each country. For countries without relevant tabloid newspaper the most sensationalist-oriented other daily newspaper was included. These media outlets were selected to provide a comprehensive idea about the news coverage in each country. [REPLACE BY EXACT OUTLETS IF NOT BASED ON ENTIRE SAMPLE]. Our television sample consists of 58 TV networks and our newspaper sample consists of 84 different newspapers. [REPLACE BY EXACT OUTLETS IF NOT BASED ON ENTIRE SAMPLE].

Period of study:

The content analysis was conducted for news items published or broadcast within the three weeks running up to the election. Since election day varied across countries also the coding period varied from e.g. May 14th-June 4th for some countries up to May 17th – June 7th for others [REPLACE BY EXACT DATES IF STUDY NOT BASED ON ENTIRE SAMPLE].

Data collection:

All relevant news outlets were collected either digitally (TV and newspapers) or as hardcopies (newspapers). [REPORT MISSING OUTLETS PER COUNTRY IN ENDNOTE]. With regard to story selection, for television, all news items have been coded; for newspapers, all news items on the title page and on one randomly selected page as well as all stories pertaining particularly to the EU and/or the EU election on any other page of the newspaper have been coded (within the Political/News, Editorial/Opinion/Comment, and Business/Economy sections). In total, 52,009 news stories have been coded in all 27 EU-member countries. 19,996 of these news stories dealt specifically with the EU of which 10,978 news stories dealt specifically with the EU election. [REPLACE BY EXACT NUMBERS IF NOT BASED ON ENTIRE SAMPLE]. In order to be classified as EU story the EU or any sort of EU institution, policy or synonym had to be mentioned at least once in the story. In order to be classified as EU election story, the election or the campaign had to be mentioned explicitly at least once in the story. All stories have been coded on the same sub-set of variables, if the story was a EU or EU election story coding continued for another, EU-specific sub-set of variables, and if the story was a EU election story coding continued for a last, EU election-specific set of variables.

Coding procedure:

Coding was conducted by a total of 58 coders at two locations, the University of Amsterdam (The Netherlands) and University of Exeter (UK). On average, the news coverage in each country was coded by two coders [CHECK FOR EXCEPTIONS IF STUDY IS NOT BASED ON ENTIRE SAMPLE]. Under supervision and in close cooperation with the principal investigators, coding was conducted by trained and supervised coders. All coders were native speakers of the respective languages. All coders received extensive training and participated in a two-weeks intensive coder training course. An inter-coder reliability test based on all coders from both locations on a subset of news items was conducted as part of the coder training and yielded satisfactory results [REPORT]. The unit of analysis and coding unit was the distinct news story. Coding was conducted electronically using an online survey tool in which coders could enter their codes, storing all data automatically in an online data base.

Measures:

[DESCRIBE THE VARIABLES OF INTEREST, E.G. THE WORDING OF THE VARIABLES AND THE CODING OPTIONS.]

MEDIA OUTLETS (MATERIAL)

Outlet Selection (sample)

The main aim of the outlet selection for the 2009 study was to ensure comparability of the data collection with prior EP election media content studies in 2004 and 1999 that were conducted at the Amsterdam School of Communication Research (e.g., de Vreese, Banducci, Semetko & Boomgaarden, 2006¹). In previous elections, the outlet selection was based on the following criteria: For television the aim was to include the most-widely watched public and commercial television newscast in each country. Priority was given to the public versus commercial television dimension. For newspapers the intention was to balance newspapers in terms of ideological leaning and type. For each country one right-wing and one left-wing broadsheet paper and one tabloid paper were to be included. Since tabloids are not published in all countries, if necessary tabloid was replaced with the most sensationalist-oriented paper.

Country peculiarities

In some countries we deviate from these general rules outlined above to assure comparability with the media content analyses conducted for the 1999 and 2004 EP elections. In particular this concerns the following countries:

Belgium: Belgium was treated as two media systems (one Dutch and one French speaking). Therefore in total ten outlets were coded, 2 Dutch speaking television news outlets, 3 Dutch language newspapers, 2 French speaking television news outlets, 3 French language newspapers.

Germany: Four television news outlets were coded, two public and two commercial.

¹ De Vreese, C.H., Banducci, S., Semetko, H. & Boomgaarden, H.G. (2006). The news coverage of the 2004 European Parliamentary Election Campaign in 25 countries. *European Union Politics*, 7(4), 477-504.

Luxembourg: Does not have a public broadcaster, only commercial television news coded.

Spain and Malta: Three television news outlets were coded.

Differences of the media sample between 2004 and 2009

Due to (1) better availability of certain news outlets in 2009 compared to 2004, and (2) changes in some national media landscapes between 2004 and 2009, the outlet selection in 2009 differs on some points from that in 2004. In sum, 18 outlets were added to the original 2004 sample (10 of which in the new member states Romania and Bulgaria), and 14 outlets were replaced (see Appendix). The final outlet list 2009 (*italics* marks differences from the 2004 list) is included in the Appendix (Appendix B).

Material collection

Coding was conducted for all newspaper issues and TV newscasts within our coding period, which included the three weeks leading up to the elections. Since the elections took place on different days in different countries (between June 4th and June 7th) and we replicated the same coding time period of three weeks in each country (including election day), this means that for some countries the coding period ran from May 14th to June 4th whereas for others it started and consequently also ended at a later date.

Television News Programs

Some of the news broadcasts could be viewed online, others were collected using contacts in the respective countries recording the news broadcasts as they were broadcasted. In the table below, for each television outlet the method of access and retrieval is shown. For the exact title and time of each news show (per country) check the news outlet overview in Appendix B.

For television news we expect them to be broadcast daily, thus expect 21 issues. Due to technical constraints, not all episodes in all countries were available to us. The missing episodes per outlet and country are reported below and their status as missing is due to either a) unavailability online; b) technical problems with downloaded material; c) missing due to external circumstances such as national

holidays etc. In the table below it is shown per country/outlet how the material was collected, how many broadcasts were collected and which dates were missing.

Table 1: TV outlets per country

Country	Title	Method collection	Achieved	Missing
Austria:	ORF	Online	21	
	ATV	Local contact	21	
Belgium:	VRT	Online	20	May 18
	VTM	Online	21	
	La Une	Online	21	
	RTL	Online	20	June 5
Bulgaria	BNT	Online	20	June 6
	BTV	Online	21	
Cyprus	ANT	Local contact	21	
	RIK	Local contact	20	June 2
Czech Republic	CESKA	Online	21	
	NOVA	Online	21	
Denmark:	DR1	Online	20	May 17
	TV2	Both	20	June 5
Estonia:	ETV	Online	20	May 18
	KA2	Online	19	May 29, June 6
Finland:	MTV	Online	20	May 31
	YLE	Online	20	May 29
France:	F2	Online	21	
	TF1	Online	21	
Germany:	ARD	Online	21	
	RTL	Online	21	
	SAT1	Local contact	19	May 24, May 31
	ZDF	Online	21	
Greece	Mega	Local contact	19	May 22, May 28
	NET	Local contact	17	May 22, May 24, May 27, May 28
Hungary	M1	Local contact	20	May 26
	RTL	Local contact	21	
Ireland:	RTE	Online	21	
	TV3	Online	17	May 23, May 30, May 31, June 1
Italy:	RAI	Online	20	May 19
	Can5	Online	20	May 26
Latvia:	LNT	Online	19	May 16, May 19
	LTV	Online	20	May 16
Lithuania:	LTV	Local contact	20	May 29
	TV3	Local contact	21	
Luxembourg:	RTL	Online	21	
Malta:	TVM	Local contact	21	
	ONETV	Local contact	21	
	NET	Local contact	21	
Netherlands:	NOS	Online	21	
	RTL	Online	21	
Poland	TVN	Online	19	May 30, June 4
	TVP	Online	16	May 22, June 2, June 3, June 4, June 5

Portugal:	RTP1	Online	21	
	TV1	Online	12	May 17, May 18, May 19, May 21, May 23, May 24, May 30, May 31, June 4
Romania:	TVR1	Local contact	19	May 18, May 28
	PROTV	Local contact	17	May 18, May 25, May 28, June 2
Slovakia:	STV1	Local contact	21	
	TVMARK	Local contact	21	
Slovenia:	POP	Local contact	21	
	TVS	Online	21	
Spain:	ANT	Local contact	20	May 27
	TEL	Online	21	
	TVE	Online	21	
Sweden:	SVT	Online	17	May 22, May 23, May 30, June 6
	TV4	Online	20	June 1
United Kingdom:	BBC	Local contact	20	May 24
	ITV	Local contact	14	May 15, May 19, May 27, May 29, June 1, June 2, June 3

Newspapers

Different actions were taken in order to obtain the different newspaper issues. First, our main source to access and retrieve newspapers (29 titles) was through 'Press Display/Newspaper Direct' (<http://www.pressdisplay.com/pressdisplay/viewer.aspx>), an online service through which one can view and download papers from any different countries on subscription. Second, we were able to collect eleven titles as printed copies via 'Bobbe International', an organization which collects and distributes hardcopies of international newspapers (<http://www.bobbe-online.nl>). Third, we obtained five titles by direct subscriptions (Tageblatt [LUX] in hardcopy and Ilta-Sanomat [FIN], La Derniere Heure, La Libre Belgique and Le Soir [BEL] by digital access). Fourth, we obtained 4 titles by direct download: Fileleytheros, Charvgi and Simerini [Cyprus] and Ta Nea, Eleftherotypia [GR]. All other titles were collected by local contacts, collecting and sending hardcopies to Amsterdam and Exeter. In the table below, the method of collection per news outlet is listed per individual title as well as the total number of issues we obtained (both, 'aimed for (goal)' and 'achieved').

Table 2: Newspaper outlets per country

Country	Newspaper	Source	Goal	Achieved
Austria	Der Standard	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	17	17
	Die Presse	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	20	20
	Neue Kronen Zeitung	Personal contact	20	20

Belgium	De Morgen	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	15	15
	De Standard	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	16	16
	Het Laatste Nieuws	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	16	16
	La Dernière Heure	Subscription	20	20
	La Libre Belgique	Subscription	16	16
	Le Soir	Subscription	16	16
Bulgaria	24 Chasa	Personal contact	22	22
	Dnevnik	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	15	15
	Trud	Personal contact	22	22
Cyprus	Charavgi	Direct digital	22	22
	Fileleytheros	Direct digital	22	22
	Simerini	Direct digital	22	22
Czech Republic	Blesk	Personal contact	22	22
	Mlada Fronta	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	19	11
	Pravo	Personal contact	19	19
Denmark	Ekstra Bladet	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22
	Morgenavisen Jyllandsp.	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	21	21
	Politiken	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	21	21
Estonia	Eesti Ekspress Wochenblatt	Personal contact	3	3
	Postimees	Personal contact	18	18
	SL Öhtuleht	Personal contact	18	18
Finland	Helsing Sanomat	Bobbe	22	22
	Aamulehti	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	21	21
	Ilta-Sanomat	Direct digital	17	17
France	Le Figaro	Bobbe	18	18
	Le Monde	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	19	19
	Libération	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	18	18
Germany	Bild	Bobbe	20	20
	FAZ	Bobbe	20	20
	Sueddeutsche Zeitung	Bobbe	16	16
Greece	Eleftherotypia	Direct digital	22	22
	Kathimerini	Direct digital	19	19
	Ta Nea	Direct digital	18	18
Hungary	Blikk	Personal contact	20	20
	Magyar Nemzet	Personal contact	17	17
	Nepszabadsag	Personal contact	17	17
Ireland	Irish Independent	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22
	The Irish Times	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	19	19
	The (Daily) Star	Personal contact	22	22
Italy	Il Corriere della Sera	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22
	Il Giornale	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22
	La Repubblica	Bobbe	22	22
Latvia	Diena	Personal contact	17	17
	Latvijas Avize	Personal contact	17	17
	Vesti segodnya	Personal contact	17	17
Lithuania	Lietuvos rytas	Personal contact	18	18
	Respublika	Personal contact	18	18
	Vakaro zinios	Personal contact	18	18
Luxembourg	Tageblatt	Direct	16	16
	Voix du Luxembourg	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	16	16
	Wort (D')	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	16	16
Malta	Nazzjon	Personal contact	22	21
	Orizzont	Personal contact	22	22
	The Times (engl.)	Personal contact	22	22

Netherlands	De Telegraaf	Bobbe	19	19
	De Volkskrant	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	16	16
	NRC Handelsblad	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	16	16
Poland	Fakt	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	18	18
	Gazeta Wyborcza	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	18	18
	Rzeczpospolita	Personal contact	17	17
Portugal	Correio da Manha	Personal contact	22	22
	Jornal de Noticias	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22
	Publico	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	21
Romania	Evenimentul Zilei	Personal contact	18	16
	Jurnalul National	Personal contact	18	13
	Libertatea	Personal contact	18	18
Slovakia	Daily Pravda	Personal contact	18	18
	Nový cas	Personal contact	22	22
	Sme/Práca	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	19	14
Slovenia	Dnevnik	Personal contact	18	18
	Slovenske Novice	Personal contact	18	18
	The Delo	Personal contact	22	22
Spain	El Mundo	Bobbe	22	21,5
	El Pais	Bobbe	22	22
	ABC	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22
Sweden:	Dagens Nyheter	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	20	20
	Svenska Dagbladet	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	20	20
	Aftonbladet	Personal contact	22	22
United Kingdom	Sun	Bobbe	22	22
	The Daily Telegraph	Bobbe	22	20
	Guardian	Press Display/Newspaper Direct	22	22

The only 'partially' missing newspaper outlet (Spain) was one copy of El Mundo (May 24), for which half a page was missing (all other parts of this particular were coded).

Except for the hardcopy newspapers, all material was obtained in digital format or was digitized to ease distribution to coders. For coders coding from within the university, they were made available on a network drive. Coders who were coding at locations where they could not access the material online were provided with DVDs containing the material in digital format. Original (non-digital) material is now stored at both locations, the University of Amsterdam, Kloveniersburgwal 48, 1012 CX, Amsterdam, and the University of Exeter. Digital material is stored on external hard-drives, also at both locations.

Newspaper material was checked by one of the team members at both locations.

- The hardcopies from Bobbe International were delivered twice a week. Immediately when they were delivered it was checked if all issues were there. Once a mistake was made in the delivery, but the right issues were send with the next batch.

- Newspapers from PressDisplay/Newspaper Direct were downloaded automatically. Every few days a check was done to see if all issues were downloaded (which was always the case).
- Newspapers from local contacts were sent to the two universities after the elections. Once they arrived it was checked whether all issues were delivered (which was the case, with the exception of Romania).
- The digital versions of Ilta-Sanomat (FIN), Ta Nea, Eleythrotypia (GR), La Dernière Heure, La Libre Belgique and Le Soir (BEL) and Fileleytheros, Charvgi and Simerini (CYP) needed to be downloaded manually. As there is an extensive archive, downloading every few days was sufficient. No problems in retrieving these outlets occurred.
- The hard-copies of Tageblatt (LUX) arrived every few days. Some issues were missing at first, but through personal contact with the editor-in-chief all outlets could eventually be obtained.

In Amsterdam two student assistants were hired to check the quality of all downloaded audio-visual material continuously. Also at Exeter two persons were responsible for downloading and checking the audiovisual material. Although they could not speak all the different languages, they checked whether a) audio tracks appeared to be audible, b) audio and video appeared synchronous and c) episodes were recorded completely. When a problem with a broadcast was detected, the teams responsible contacted the specific broadcasting station in order to obtain the programs. In most cases new versions of the broadcast could be retrieved this way.

During the coding, some coders reported problems with material which were not discovered previously. At all time, one member of the responsible research team at both locations was designated as contact for the coders and problems with coding material were reported to this team member. In collaboration with the technical assistant in charge the broadcasting companies were contacted for new versions of the broadcasts. In some cases no new version of the respective programs could be obtained from the broadcasting companies so that these issues are reported as 'missing' in the material overview (see Table 1 above).

CODEBOOK

Following an inventory of the content analyses conducted for the EP 1999 and EP 2004 election campaigns a draft codebook was developed and open forum input was provided on the PIREDEU website and integrated into the codebook. Furthermore, a preliminary version of the codebook was tested in a pilot study that was carried out in the period leading up to and including the meeting of the European Council in Brussels, Belgium, on December 11 and 12, 2008. The pilot study was conducted at the University of Amsterdam and included a media content analysis of all major Dutch news media during a two-week period surrounding the Brussels summit. Prior to conducting content analysis, an extensive coder training was organized. Four Dutch coders were recruited and then extensively trained in 4 sessions scheduled within a two-week period. The coder training also included a reliability test which yielded satisfactory results. After examination of the pilot study's media content and reliability test data, a number of variables in the codebook were improved, notably in terms of the wording and coding options. The resulting second, improved version of the codebook was distributed among the EXT and AMS team members. The EXT and AMS teams met face-to-face on two occasions to discuss the codebook. During these meetings (in April and May 2009) both teams also tested the codebook by test-coding a number of news stories. This coding was also tested for inter-coder reliability among those responsible for the coder training at each location. Furthermore, there was a continuous exchange via email and phone. There have been two telephone conference calls in April and two more in May to discuss final solutions for the coding of particular variables. Consequently, the codebook was further refined and then ultimately finalized before the first day of coder training in Exeter. The final version of the codebook was handed out in hard copy to coders during the last coder training session in EXT (for details, see 'Coder Training'). The codebook was not adjusted any further during the AMS coder training to assure later comparability (for full CODEBOOK see below).

DATA ENTRY AND STORAGE

After the Codebook was formally finalized, it was programmed online in the form of an online survey. This was done by using the *Survey Tool* of the Amsterdam School of Communication Research (ASCoR). The Survey Tool is an online application to

produce electronic surveys. A key advantage of collecting media content data using the Survey Tool is that coders code the news *and* insert these data into an electronic file *all at once*. While coders code the news material online, these data are automatically stored in a database and can be downloaded in various formats and then directly imported into SPSS. Due to this procedure the possibility of mistakes that could occur if coding would have been conducted on paper first and then entered into an electronic database in a subsequent step is excluded. Another important advantage is that media variables can automatically be “skipped” when they are not applicable in a certain coding context (e.g., a first variable coding the main actor of a story and subsequent variables coding the evaluation, number of direct quotes, gender etc. for this actor). This process we subsequently refer to as *routing*.

The Online Coding Tool (OCT) was subject to intense and repeated testing and was significantly refined and customized before it was published online and ready for use by the coders. Technical issues that emerged during the testing phase were solved in cooperation with a technical assistant at ASCoR. The OCT was published online on the final day of the first coder training in Exeter and thus readily available also once coding started in Amsterdam.

CODER TRAINING

Coder Recruitment

Coders did not have to be national citizens of the different countries for which they were coding the material (although they were in their majority), however, they had to be native speakers of the respective national languages. For Belgium, and given our news outlet selection (see ‘material collection/newspapers’), we recruited both Dutch as well as French native speakers. Coders were recruited via poster ads which were distributed across different university departments, the International School for Humanities and Social Sciences in Amsterdam, at language institutes, but also online via the university websites but also Facebook and other social networking sites. Prior experience in coding media coverage or knowledge about the topic (EU) were no requirement to apply for one of the positions given that accepted candidates all participated in a two-week intensive coder training. For those countries for which we received more application than we had available positions we organized individual

formal job interviews at which two members of our research team participated and based on which a final selection of candidates was made.

The final pool of selected coders was split up into two groups. Group 1 ($n = 22$ coders) was based in Exeter and received training by the Exeter training supervision team (EXT) at the University of Exeter. Group 1 included coders assigned to code material of the following countries: the UK, Ireland, France and Wallonia (BEL), Portugal, Italy, Slovakia, Czech Republic, Romania, Lithuania, and Malta.

Group 2 ($n = 36$ coders) received training by the Amsterdam team (AMS) at the University of Amsterdam. Group 2 included coders assigned to code material of the following countries: the Netherlands and Flanders (BEL), Germany, Austria, Luxembourg, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Spain, Greece and Cyprus, Hungary, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Poland, Estonia, and Latvia. Group 2 additionally included two coders assigned to the UK for comparative purposes.

Training Setup

A coder training schedule was designed in advance by both the Amsterdam and the Exeter team, which both the training supervision teams in Exeter and Amsterdam strictly adhered to.

The coder training consisted of five full-day training sessions (8 hours each) spread over a period of two weeks with appropriate intervals for coding homework in between individual sessions. The training periods ran from June 8 to June 19, 2009 in Exeter and from June 29 to July 10, 2009 in Amsterdam and followed the same set-up in terms of structure and content of training (see below). The first three sessions were held during the first week; the remaining two sessions were held in the second and final week (see Table 3).

Table 3: Training schedule

Training day	Exeter (EXT)	Amsterdam (AMS)
Day 1	June 8	June 29
Day 2	June 9	June 30
Day 3	June 11	July 2

Day 4	June 16	July 7
Day 5	June 19	July 10

Note: All dates refer to calendar year 2009

Two members from the Amsterdam team served as coordinators between the Exeter and Amsterdam training teams and as instructors (training supervisors) for the coder training taking place in AMS. In order to ensure that coders trained in different locations received consistently identical training and instructions, and thus avoiding coder training effects across locations, the coordinators not only attended but also performed as trainers in all 10 training sessions and at both locations (both coder trainings in AMS and EXT).

The training supervisors ensured that, after each session, specific problems or issues that came up during training were written down, discussed, and settled between the EXT and AMS teams before the next session. Solutions were communicated to coders at the beginning of the subsequent session. This procedure also meant that adjustments to the codebook and/or particular coding rules which resulted out of the first coder training in Exeter were not further adjusted during the second coder training in Amsterdam to assure comparability and data quality.

All training sessions took place in university class rooms where computers, beamers and projection screens were available for training and instruction purposes.

Training Sessions

Session #1 was an introduction and welcome meeting in which practical and organizational matters relating to schedule, planning, procedures, and payment were explained and background information about the research project was provided.

Session #2 was devoted to the actual practice of coding news stories. First, a folder with printed copies of a 35-page codebook and ten appendices (for details about these documents, see Codebook below and Appendix) were handed out to coders. The codebook and appendices were explained at great length from start to finish, which took up approximately 5 hours in total (excluding breaks).

Coders then individually coded one English-language newspaper article in class, followed by a plenary discussion. Coders were provided with the “Master Codes,” i.e. a set of appropriate codes for all variables in the Codebook per news

story. The Master Codes were determined by the two training supervisors from AMS in consultation with the EXT team in advance of the training, following extensive discussion and elaboration. Questions by coders were answered, ambiguities were clarified, discussions were settled, and disagreements were solved.

Finally, coders were provided with coding materials as homework. The homework material included paper copies of three English newspaper stories: one general EU story, one European Election-specific story, and one non-EU story. Coders were requested to code these three news stories in order to further familiarize themselves with the codebook and appendices, and further develop their coding skills.

In *session #3*, the homework was discussed plenary and in detail; story by story, variable by variable. In line with session #2, coders were provided with the Master Codes. Again, questions were answered, ambiguities were clarified, discussions were settled, and disagreements were solved. This procedure was time-consuming but considered necessary in order to optimize inter-coder agreement.

In order to familiarize coders with the distinct practice of coding *television* news, a subsequent and large part of session #3 was devoted to training coders in coding audio-visual information. Coders were requested to code one lengthy English general EU television news story in class. Following that, the coding of this particular news item was discussed extensively in class and Master Codes for the item were distributed to coders.

Finally, coders were provided with a package of new coding materials that served as the material for the *first* inter-coder reliability test. The reliability test material included paper copies of 30 English newspaper stories: 5 general EU stories, 20 European Election-specific stories, and 5 non-EU stories. Coders were instructed to use an electronic Excel coding sheet with pre-designed template (sent to them by email) and return their filled-in sheets to their training supervisors (two days later).

In *session #4*, coders were informed about the main results of the first inter-coder reliability test. The main goal of session #4 was to give coders additional and focused training on variables in the codebook which had shown to be problematic in terms of inter-coder agreement and as a result of the first reliability test. A variable was considered problematic if the level of agreement among coders for that particular

variable as part of the reliability test was unacceptably low (for statistical details, see section on 'Inter-Coder Reliability Test').

Next, coders were requested to code another English language newspaper story in class. Following that, coders were provided with the Master Codes for this item.

Finally, coders were provided with a new package of coding materials for the *second* inter-coder reliability test. The reliability test material included paper copies of 25 English newspaper stories: 2 general EU stories, 20 European Election-specific stories, and 3 non-EU stories. In line with the first test coding procedure, coders were instructed to use the electronic Excel coding sheet with pre-designed template and return their filled-in sheets to their training supervisors by a set deadline (two days later).

In *session #5*, coders were informed about the main results of the second inter-coder reliability test and remaining issues with regard to seemingly problematic variables were discussed. In this final session, coders were instructed how to use the Online Coding Tool (for details about the OCT, see 'Data Entry and Storage'). Coders received a URL link to a test-version of the OCT and were asked to test-code a newspaper story using the OCT so as to familiarize themselves with the practice of coding news material online. Coders were additionally asked to report any coding or technical problems while coding to the training supervisors. Technical problems were solved immediately if necessary and coders had the opportunity to ask questions and comment on the tool.

With regard to the selection of news items to be coded, the general rule applied for coders to code each and every news item in a TV news show as well as on newspaper title pages as well as on one *randomly* selected page as well as all newspaper articles relating to the EU and/or the EU election in the remainder of the newspaper in certain predefined sections (see CODEBOOK below). This meant that coders had to be provided with a system to generate random numbers in order to determine the 'random page' for newspapers which had to be coded in its entirety. For this, and as part of the fifth coder training session, coders were asked to use a random number generator available online (<http://www.random.org/integers/>) and trained how to use this tool and how to generate relevant random numbers within the

range of possible pages which could vary across outlets and issues depending on the number of pages in all relevant sections taken together.

In addition, all other remaining issues were addressed and settled in this final session. For example, coders were instructed how to deal with national media outlet peculiarities, notably with regard to separating newspaper sections and distinguishing between relevant and irrelevant sections.

At the end of this last coder training session each coder was provided with an individual list with the specific outlets and days s/he was assigned to code (for more information see below 'randomizing the order of coding news material' below).

INTER-CODER RELIABILITY TEST

Content analyses data ought to demonstrate reliability. Of the reliability measures available in the content analysis literature, Krippendorff's alpha is increasingly accepted as the standard, i.e. the best suited measure, for testing of inter-coder reliability. Krippendorff's alpha generalizes across different measurement scales, can be used not only with any number of coders, but also with missing data. Unlike other measures, Krippendorff's alpha satisfies crucial criteria for a proper reliability measure.

There is no formally adopted lower-bound acceptable level of inter-coder agreement, but in the light of our research purposes, we conceive of .60 (on a scale from 0.00 to 1.00) as an acceptable lower limit of reliability when Krippendorff's alpha is used.

The reliability tests were conducted at both locations with strictly identical material and training procedures (for exact procedure see 'training sessions' above). Two members of the Amsterdam team participated in the coder training in Exeter to assure comparability. The results of the reliability tests are largely comparable across location, pointing to the absence of training effects and assuring and reaffirming quality control over the coder training procedure. For an overview of the reliability test scores per variable an Appendix will be available.

MATERIAL DISTRIBUTION

Austria, Flanders, Wallonia, France, Cyprus, Estonia, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, the Netherlands, Slovenia, Sweden, Ireland, Romania, Italy, Lithuania, Malta and the UK all had two coders. In Exeter, the material from each outlet was split into equal parts (depending on the number of coders) and was distributed to the coders. Coders received their part of newspaper hard copies in random order and were asked (both in training and at distribution) not to code any electronic material in chronological order. In Amsterdam, the division of the material from each country was made by randomly dividing the material per outlet. This was done per outlet to prevent possible coder differences leading outlet differences. Per outlet all issues were given a random number and the issues were sorted by this random number. The first half of the randomly ordered list was assigned to coder 1 of a particular country; the second half of the list was assigned to coder 2 of the same country. When there was an odd number of issues for more outlets, the remaining issues when dividing in half were alternately assigned to coders. To ensure a comparable workload between coders, a check of the randomized division was done to ensure that no coder had significantly more outlets in the last week of the coding period (leading up to the election) than the other (with the assumption that there would be more EU and EP election news in the last week of the campaign). If differences were detected as a result of this procedure, a new randomized division of material was made.

Bulgaria had two coders, one in Amsterdam and one in Exeter. Distribution of material was conducted in the same way as for countries with two coders.

Greece, Poland, Portugal, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Spain all had three coders. The division of the material was conducted in similar fashion as for countries with two coders, dividing each outlet into three even sets of material.

Denmark and Luxembourg both had one coder, coding the entire material for that respective country.

Finland had two coders, however, one coder only joined about halfway into the coding process and received the exact same (but separate) training (individual) based on the same examples and test materials as the large group of coders before. Both Finnish coders received a randomized set of material, however, equal numbers of issues coded per outlet between the two coders were not achieved due to the fact that the second coder who joined later in the process in total spent more time on the coding (due to more time available).

Randomizing the Order of Coding News Material

To limit the influence of learning effects during the coding process, coders were instructed to follow the order of a randomized list for the coding of their assigned material which they were provided with following the last coder training session. This list was created by assigning a random number to each issue of that country and sorting all issues according to this random number. Thus, coders have coded their assigned material not in chronological (date) but in random order.

CODING AND MONITORING

The time it took coders to finish the coding varied due to differences in availability of coders (full-time or part-time) and national differences in the amount of EU and EU-election specific coverage. The majority of coders finished coding their assigned material within 4-8 weeks. All coding for all countries was finished within 16 weeks. During the entire coding process coders were asked to write down problems that occurred while coding, e.g. with regard to the coding of particular variables for particular news items or technical problems concerning the data entry tool or incorrect codes entered into the online tool. These so-called 'problem sheets' were collected on a weekly basis via email, and printed and archived in a folder. Immediate problems were solved right away, all other problems were dealt with once coding was finished and as part of the data cleaning process (see 'data cleaning and preparation' below). Throughout the entire coding period coders had an assigned contact person they could turn to in case of questions or immediate problems. Coding progress was monitored continuously based on the coder-specific data entries in the online tool with regard to the time spent coding and the number of items coded.

DATA CLEANING AND PREPARATION

Data cleaning involved a number of steps. First, the data sets created in Exeter and in Amsterdam were merged into one data file, for which then variables and variable values were labeled. Second, 'problem sheets' provided by the coders were

processed in two steps. A common problem was that stories had to be coded anew, because the online data entry program crashed or the internet connection was interrupted during the coding process of a story. These incomplete stories were deleted. Next, mistakes in the coding of particular variables that were noticed by the coder only after the coding of a particular news item was completed and stored in the online data base (after which it could not be accessed and changed anymore by the coder him/herself) were corrected. Common mistakes, in this regard, pertain to the coding of actors and certain frames. An approximate number of 230 problem sheets with some 800 problems were processed.

In a third step value frequencies for all variables were considered. Some 550 cases did contain no, or insufficient data and therefore had to be deleted from the file. About 200 stories had no existing values for date or outlet, which was corrected as far as possible (only 5 of these had to be deleted altogether). About 300 cases contained non-existing actor codes. These were replaced with a code (999999) that represents that an actor was coded, but that it is unknown who the actor is. Other than that, there were some scattered problems with values for the length of television stories, story location and few other variables, which were fixed.

In a final step, combinations of coder IDs, outlet codes and dates were compared with the material that was assigned to coders. Some 350 stories were identified in which this combination was wrong, and these could be corrected by means of the material distribution list.

Codebook

Media Content Analysis

EUROPEAN ELECTION STUDY
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Additional documents (final versions available):

Appendix A. List of Coders (see separate list)

Appendix B. List of News Outlets (see separate list)

Appendix C. List of Locations (see separate list)

Appendix D. List of Actors (see separate list)

Appendix E. List of Ethnic Minority Groups (see separate list)

Appendix F. List of Topics (see separate list)

Appendix G. List of EU-specific Topics (see separate list)

Appendix H. List of Political Parties (V49) (see separate list)

Appendix I. Problem Sheet (see separate sheet)

Appendix J. Hours Sheet (see separate sheet)

This codebook consists of *three* parts. The *first* part is applied to all relevant news stories (i.e., all items that fall under the selection criteria listed below). For the *second* part, a filter is applied that selects all news stories that deal with the EU specifically or with the EU Parliamentary elections or the campaign (see page 20). Finally, for the *third* part, another filter is applied that selects only those news stories that deal with the EU Parliamentary elections or the campaign specifically (see page 33).

All stories about the EU or about the EP election campaign in the newspaper are coded in depth. This means you have to check the following sections of each newspaper for **any (!) EU or EP election stories (i.e., look for ALL EU stories and not only for EU election specific stories)** and code them: Political/News section, Editorial (including Opinion/Comment) and Business (or Economy) Section. Do **not** code Sport, Travel, Housing, Culture, Motor/Auto, Fashion or Entertainment sections.

About the EU* is defined as:

in TV: mentioned at least once

in newspapers: mentioned at least once

* Also includes EU institutions and EU policies, or EU synonyms such as “Europe” or “Brussels” (when in fact the EU is meant) etc.

About the EP election campaign* is defined as:

in TV: mentioned at least once (anywhere in the whole story)

in newspapers: mentioned at least once (anywhere in the whole story)

Selection Criteria

For all newspapers:

- All stories on the front page and all stories on one randomly chosen page are coded.
- All stories mentioning the European Union (EU) or the EP election campaign have to be coded in the following sections: Political/News section, Editorial (including Opinion/Comment) and Business (or Economy) Section. Do **not** code Sport, Travel, Housing, Culture, Motor/Auto, Fashion or Entertainment sections. Magazines that come together with a newspaper are **not** coded.

Selection rules for the one randomly chosen page:

- The randomly chosen page has to be part of one of the following sections: domestic news, international (foreign) news, business/economy news. Full-page ads or stock market figures are never to be taken as randomly chosen page!
- Start on a random page (will be assigned to coders individually) as first randomly chosen page for the first newspaper to be coded and move one page forward for every other newspaper until you reach the last page of the above mentioned sections .
- In case of a full-page advertisement, stock market numbers etc., move one more page forward.
- Once you reach the last page of the sections mentioned above in a specific newspaper start back with page 2 for the subsequent newspaper (random order of newspapers! Do **not** code outlets in chronological order).

For all television programs:

TV newscasts (e.g., BBC 9 o'clock news) have to be coded entirely, i.e. all stories have to be coded, excluding the weather forecast and specific sections of broadcast devoted to sports.

Definition: News story

A news story (unit of coding) is an article in a newspaper and a news item in a TV newscast.

Television

- A news item is defined by its **topic**. It consists of all story elements (films, interviews, statements etc. - see below) that are presented as belonging to the same topic UNTIL the background/backdrop of the anchorperson changes. A clear topic change always defines a new news story (e.g., from Middle East to the EU elections).
- The news story **has to be longer than two sentence(s)**. *Note:* Headlines, summaries, teasers, announcements of other programs and commercials within the newscast are **not** coded.
- Several (sub-)topics may be combined into one "package" about an overarching topic, such as the EU Elections. This package then looks like one long story. For our analysis, however, a new story begins
 - a) once the background/backdrop of the anchorperson changes (e.g., the headline or the graph/photograph) *and/ or*
 - b) once a topic is explicitly announced as different by the anchor: e.g., "Also today," "Now to."
- If it is *unclear* whether there is a new topic (e.g., in news packages and regarding the change of subtopics), you start coding a new news story when the bulletin shows the anchor again. After the film material, the anchor may sometimes make some concluding remarks concerning the story. Make sure that you don't include that when stop-watching the next story, but add that to the story the film material pertains to.

Newspapers

- The individual editorial news item (not advertising), including accompanying picture(s), or individual pictures or graphics or cartoons with or without text. There is no minimum length for an item to be considered a news story.
- *Note:* If an article **explicitly** says that this same article is continued on another page, its continuation on the other page has to be coded as well, as one story. *But:* If there is a short story or bullet on the title page that has a beginning and an end, and only refers to another independent article within the newspaper this is coded as two separate stories.
- Articles that only consist of a headline, a short bullet without further concrete reference or are only announced in an index/table of contents (e.g., at the top row of the front page) are **not** coded. However, an exception should be made for big-font-size headlines that take up a (very) large part of the front page. (These articles should be coded '8' for NP3/type of story, also if a "screaming" headline is accompanied with a picture and caption.)
- Letters to the editor are often grouped together on one page, but they sometimes have one overarching headline. *Rule:* Each letter represents a unique news story and should be coded accordingly. But given that the headline does not belong to any letter in particular, the headline is NOT coded, based on bullet point 3 for newspapers (see above).

- *Note:* A “side story” embedded within the body of a larger newspaper article (on the right or left side, or at the center top or bottom of the article) that carries its own headline and constitutes a related but nonetheless separate story vis-à-vis the larger newspaper article has to be treated as a unique story and be coded accordingly.
- *Note:* New headlines **within** the text of an article do **not** constitute a new article.

V1 Coder ID

01 ...

02 ...

03 ...

04 ...

[see Appendix A, *not yet available*]**V2 Story identification number**

Running number, assign a number in ascending order to each article you code (1,2,3, ... 567, 568, 569 etc.). *Note:* Do not start back at “1” when you start coding another newspaper or TV show but continue to assign numbers in ascending order across the outlets you code. Thus, every item you code has to have a unique identification number which is only assigned once for a specific item. **CODER INSTRUCTION:** Before you start coding a story, write down the story id number, and make sure you also do that for last article you code every day so that you know with which story id number to continue the following day. Do not start back at 1 when you *switch* from coding newspaper articles to TV news items, no matter what medium always type in the next highest running number for each and every subsequent item you code.

V3a Date (day)

Date is coded in two variables, this first one represents the day (ranging from 1-31); e.g. for a news item published on May 17th only code “17” for this first variable.

V3b Date (month)

This second variable represents the month (ranging from 1-12); e.g. for a news item published on May 17th only code “05” for this second variable.

V4 News outlet

[see Appendix B]

Newspapers only**NP1 Page number**

The number of the page on which the story appeared. In case the story runs over two or more pages write down the page number on which the story begins.

NP2 Section

Is the article part of the *first* section of the newspaper? Sections are not meant to be thematic distinctions among the different news pages (e.g., domestic news, foreign news, arts, business, etc.) but **physically separate** sections of the paper (i.e., with separate stapling).

1 = No

2 = Yes

NP3**Type of story**

- 1 = “News story”**
(i.e. most frequent type of story (!), factual news report, report of events etc., of what has happened [when, where, who, what, why?], e.g., party meeting, report on recent events etc.)
- 2 = “Column / “commentary”**
(column: clearly marked as special column, distinct from regular coverage, most likely always at the same place within newspaper, re-occurring item on a regular basis as fixed part of newspaper coverage, can be written in very personal style) / (commentary: often not written by a journalist but by an external source such as an expert, politician etc., often the official position of the author is given as well; often explicitly marked as “commentary”, e.g. by guest author)
- 3 = “Reportage” / “background story”**
(reportage: feature article, vivid report of a correspondent, named as the author of the article. A “reportage” describes individual experience of the author; often explicitly marked as “reportage”) / (background story: often longer article, not only factual reporting, looking behind the scenes, analytical, in-depth – not only descriptive, often explicitly marked as “analysis”, etc.)
- 4 = “Editorial”**
(typically explicitly marked as editorial, opinion-piece, an article of its own, clearly defined to give evaluations, typically on same page within newspaper each time. It has to be formally distinct from the rest of the page. It clearly expresses a standpoint of the author/editor who again speaks for his newspaper)
- 5 = “Portrait”**
(e.g., of a person, group, institution, organization – and nothing more than that. Otherwise it may be a news story or a reportage / see above)
- 6 = “Interview”**
(The article is an interview – there have to be **at least two interview questions (often in bold or italic)**! *Note*: Interview sections which are part of a “reportage” are not meant here)
- 7 = “Bullet”**
(i.e. mostly on the title page or first page of a section; headline and a short summary – at least one sentence –, which announces a substantial article that can be found inside the newspaper, it is a short summary of an article that stands independent or as a summary, it then often refers to a more in-depth article inside the newspaper)
- 8 = “Headline only”**
- 9 = “Documentation”**
(The article is the original text, e.g., of a treaty, constitution, contract, of a letter, speech, official report)
- 10 = “Picture/graph/map”**
(The article is just that, often with a caption)

11 = “**Letter to the editor**” (including responses from the editor)

12 = “**Question to the newspaper (question and answer/info/quiz)**”

13 = “**Other**”

NP4

How many **photographs, visuals, graphs or illustrations** belong to the article?

Rule: A picture, sidebar graph, group of bullet points etc typically DOES belong to the article it is presumed to accompany, UNLESS that extra 'sidebar' information (visual or not) clearly constitutes a "side story" that carries its own headline and constitutes a related but nonetheless SEPARATE "STORY" vis-a-vis the larger newspaper article (see definition newspaper story, bullet point 5). In the latter case, it should be treated as a unique story and be coded accordingly.

_____ (total number)

NP5

Length of newspaper story (FULL story, including photos, figures, tables, etc). If the article continues on a following page, also include these additional parts of the article in your calculation.

1 = up to ¼ of the page

2 = up to ½ of the page

3 = up to ¾ of a page

4 = more than ¾ of a page

NP6

Total number of pages in Political/News section, Editorial section (including Opinion/Comment) and Business (or Economy) section taken together. Also count full-page ads, stock market pages, and obituaries (but NOT classifieds!) if they are part of these sections! Pages that are partly (e.g. ½) filled with editorial content and partly (e.g. ½) with classifieds should be included.

NP7

Does the article begin on the top half of the page or on the lower half of the page?

1 = top half of the page

2 = lower half of the page

Television only

TV1

Length of TV news item (in seconds), incl. its introduction by the anchorperson.

Example: 1 minute and 58 seconds are coded as 118 seconds!

TV2

Story number of TV news item, consecutive count (number), i.e. the number/position of the news item within the overall news cast

Television AND newspapers

V5a

Primary topic of the story

(i.e. major subject of the story = taking the most space or time – often mentioned in the headline). Topics have to be referred to/mentioned at least **twice** in the article or newscast and not just mentioned in passing.

→ See Appendix F

Note: If there is more than one appropriate category, **always choose the most specific one.**

NOTE: Up to 3 topics can be coded. However, a story does not necessarily address more than 1 topic. Thus, do not search for additional topics if there really are no more than 1 or 2 topics discernable!

V5a1

FILTER: only code V5a1-V5a2 IF V5a= European integration (topic code); or environment (topic code); or globalization (topic code)

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who is said or depicted as **mainly handling, working on or taking care of the topic?**

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are depicted as equally dealing with the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

V5a2

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):

Who, according to the story, if mentioned at all, **SHOULD** mainly be responsible for handling, working on or taking care of the topic?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's desired handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who should typically be responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are equally depicted in the sense that they should handle the topic, code the first one mentioned.

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- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
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V5b **FILTER: CODE ONLY IF V5a HAS NOT BEEN CODED ‘NOT APPLICABLE’**
Secondary topic of the story

(i.e. second most important subject of the story)

→ See Appendix F

Note: If there is more than one appropriate category, **always choose the most specific one.**

V5b1 **FILTER: only code V5b1-V5b2 IF V5b= European integration (topic code); or environment (topic code); or globalization (topic code)**

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who is said or depicted as **mainly handling, working on or taking care of the topic?**

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor’s handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

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- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
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- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

V5b2 **Explicitly** (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who, according to the story, if mentioned at all, **SHOULD** mainly be responsible for handling, working on or taking care of the topic?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor’s desired handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who should typically be responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are equally depicted in the sense that they should handle the topic, code the first one mentioned.

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- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, and public administration)
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V5c**FILTER: CODE ONLY IF V5b HAS NOT BEEN CODED ‘NOT APPLICABLE’****Tertiary topic of the story**

(i.e. third most important subject of the story)

→ See Appendix F

Note: If there is more than one appropriate category, **always choose the most specific one.****V5c1****FILTER: only code V5c1-V5c2 IF V5c= European integration (topic code); or environment (topic code); or globalization (topic code)****Explicitly** (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who is said or depicted as **mainly handling, working on or taking care of the topic?***Mainly* means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor’s handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

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- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

V5c2**Explicitly** (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who, according to the story, if mentioned at all, **SHOULD** mainly be responsible for handling, working on or taking care of the topic?*Mainly* means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor’s desired handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the

depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who should typically be responsible for the topic.
If there are two actors who are equally depicted in the sense that they should handle the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

TOPICS – ATTRIBUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY

FILTER: code V6a1-V6b2 only IF V5a OR V5b OR V5c = [topic code: economic condition / see Appendix F]

V6a1 Does the item contain a reference to national [i.e. COUNTRY]’s economic conditions specifically? (Note that “[COUNTRY]” used anywhere in this codebook refers to the country which the coded news outlet belongs to.)

- 1 = No reference to national [i.e. COUNTRY]’s economic conditions
- 2 = Reference to national [i.e. COUNTRY]’s economic conditions

V6a2 **[IF V6a1=1] ECONOMIC CONDITIONS: Does the item contain an evaluation of whether national economic conditions have changed over the past 12 months?**

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = a lot better
- 3 = a little better
- 4 = stayed the same
- 5 = a little worse
- 6 = a lot worse

V6a3 **[IF V6a1=1] Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/depicts so): Does the story indicate whether the national government or EU level government has had a positive or negative impact on *national economic conditions*? NOTE: Sometimes a news story may attribute no or multiple responsibility/ies. If the news story explicitly mentions/depicts or an actor(s) in the story explicitly says there are multiple affects and responsibilities then check all that apply (but only if explicitly mentioned). If no affects and responsibilities are mentioned do not tick any of the below options.**

- 1 = National government/government policy has had a positive effect
- 2 = National government/government policy has had a negative effect
- 3 = National government/government policy has had no effect
- 4 = EU governance/EU policy has had a positive effect
- 5 = EU governance/EU policy has had a negative effect
- 6 = EU governance/EU policy has had no effect

V6b1 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):** Who is said or depicted as *mainly* handling, working on or taking care of the *economic conditions*?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are depicted as equally dealing with the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

V6b2 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):** Who, according to the story, if mentioned at all, **SHOULD** mainly be responsible for handling, working on or taking care of the *economic conditions*?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's desired handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who should typically be responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are equally depicted in the sense that they should handle the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)

6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

FILTER: code V7a1-V7b2 only IF V5a OR V5b OR V5c = [topic code: immigration / see Appendix F]

V7a1 IMMIGRATION: Does the item contain an evaluation of whether the rate of immigration has changed over the past 12 months?

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = increased a lot
- 3 = increased a little
- 4 = stayed the same
- 5 = decreased a little
- 6 = decreased a lot

V7a2 [if v7a1<9] IMMIGRATION: Only if the item contains a specific evaluation, does the item suggest that the change in immigration is positive or negative?

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = positive/better
- 3 = negative/worse
- 4 = both positive and negative

V7a3 Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Does the story indicate whether the national government or EU level government has had a positive or negative impact on *immigration*? **NOTE: Sometimes a news story may attribute no or multiple responsibility/ies. If the news story explicitly mentions/depicts or an actor(s) in the story explicitly says there are multiple affects and responsibilities then check all that apply (but only if explicitly mentioned). If no affects and responsibilities are mentioned do not tick any of the below options.**

- 1 = National government/government policy has had a positive effect
- 2 = National government/government policy has had a negative effect
- 3 = National government/government policy has had no effect
- 4 = EU governance/EU policy has had a positive effect
- 5 = EU governance/EU policy has had a negative effect
- 6 = EU governance/EU policy has had no effect

V7b1 Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who is said or depicted as *mainly* handling, working on or taking care of *immigration*?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the

depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are depicted as equally dealing with the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

V7b2

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):
Who, according to the story, if mentioned at all, **SHOULD** mainly be responsible for handling, working on or taking care of **immigration**?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's desired handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who should typically be responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are equally depicted in the sense that they should handle the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

FILTER: code V8a1-V8b only IF V5a OR V5b OR V5c = [topic code: interest rates / see Appendix F]

V8a1

INTEREST RATES: Does the item contain an evaluation of whether interest rates have changed over the past 12 months?

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = increased a lot
- 3 = increased a little
- 4 = stayed the same

- 5 = decreased a little
- 6 = decreased a lot

V8a2 [if v8a1<9] **INTEREST RATES: Only if the item contains a specific evaluation, does the item suggest that the change in interest rates is positive or negative?**

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = positive/better
- 3 = negative/worse
- 4 = both positive and negative

V8a3 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):** Does the story indicate whether the national government or EU level government has had a positive or negative impact on *interest rates*? **NOTE: Sometimes a news story may attribute no or multiple responsibility/ies. If the news story explicitly mentions/depicts or an actor(s) in the story explicitly says there are multiple affects and responsibilities then check all that apply (but only if explicitly mentioned). If no affects and responsibilities are mentioned do not tick any of the below options.**

- 1 = National government/government policy has had a positive effect
- 2 = National government/government policy has had a negative impact
- 3 = National government/government policy has had no effect
- 4 = EU governance/EU policy has had a positive effect
- 5 = EU governance/EU policy has had a negative effect
- 6 = EU governance/EU policy has had no effect

V8b **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):** Who is said or depicted as *mainly* handling, working on or taking care of *interest rates*?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are depicted as equally dealing with the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

FILTER: code V9a-V9c only IF V5a OR V5b OR V5c = [topic code: health care / see Appendix F]

V9a HEALTH CARE: Does the item contain an evaluation of whether health care standards have changed over the past 12 months?

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = a lot better
- 3 = a little better
- 4 = stayed the same
- 5 = a little worse
- 6 = a lot worse

V9b Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Does the story indicate whether the national government or EU level government has had a positive or negative impact on *health care*? **NOTE: Sometimes a news story may attribute no or multiple responsibility/ies. If the news story explicitly mentions/depicts or an actor(s) in the story explicitly says there are multiple affects and responsibilities then check all that apply (but only if explicitly mentioned). If no affects and responsibilities are mentioned do not tick any of the below options.**

- 1 = National government/government policy has had a positive effect
- 2 = National government/government policy has had a negative impact
- 3 = National government/government policy has had no effect
- 4 = EU governance/EU policy has had a positive effect
- 5 = EU governance/EU policy has had a negative effect
- 6 = EU governance/EU policy has had no effect

V9c Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who is said or depicted as *mainly* handling, working on or taking care of *health care*?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are depicted as equally dealing with the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)
- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)

- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

FILTER: code V10a-V10c only IF V5a OR V5b OR V5c = [topic code: climate change / see Appendix F]

V10a CLIMATE CHANGE: Does the item contain an evaluation of whether climate change has become more or less of a problem over the past 12 months?

- 1 = no evaluation
 2 = a lot more of a problem
 3 = a little more of a problem
 4 = stayed the same
 5 = a little less of a problem
 6 = a lot less of a problem

V10b Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Does the story indicate whether the national government or EU level government has had a positive or negative impact on *climate change*? **NOTE: Sometimes a news story may attribute no or multiple responsibility/ies. If the news story explicitly mentions/depicts or an actor(s) in the story explicitly says there are multiple affects and responsibilities then check all that apply (but only if explicitly mentioned). If no affects and responsibilities are mentioned do not tick any of the below options.**

- 1 = National government/government policy has had a positive effect
 2 = National government/government policy has had a negative impact
 3 = National government/government policy has had no effect
 4 = EU governance/EU policy has had a positive effect
 5 = EU governance/EU policy has had a negative effect
 6 = EU governance/EU policy has had no effect

V10c Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Who is said or depicted as *mainly* handling, working on or taking care of *climate change*?

Mainly means in terms of the prominence, the length/ space a story devotes to an actor's handling of the topic. Always code this category according to the depiction of the story and not according to your knowledge about who is typically responsible for the topic.

If there are two actors who are depicted as equally dealing with the topic, code the first one mentioned.

- 1 = Not applicable / not mentioned
 2 = Any national *government/governmental* actors (e.g., head of government, ministry, ministers, prime ministers of federal states, governors of regions, national army/troops and public administration)

- 3 = Any national *non-governmental political* actors (e.g., opposition politicians – also in federal states/regions, political organizations, political institutions other than government)
- 4 = Any national *non-political* actors (e.g., ordinary citizens, non-political organizations)
- 5 = EU or EU-related actors (e.g., EU institutions, EU politicians)
- 6 = Other (e.g., NATO, UN, UN/ NATO and other supranational troops)

END OF TOPIC – CODING

V11a

Main location of the story, part 1

Where does the story or the actions it depicts (mainly) take place (in terms of **prominence** in the story or **length**)?

→ **List of locations – (see Appendix C)**

Note: If there are two equally important locations, code the one mentioned *first* in the story.

Note for newspapers: Headlines, bullets, cartoons, and pictures/ graphs may not contain enough information to code this category.

Example: An article about a speech held by Gordon Brown in Germany talking about the UK would be coded as “Germany”.

Note: Only code “EU” (=code 43) if indeed the political institution is meant and not the geographical entity (=code 46). When ‘Brussels’ is the location code 43 if it signifies the EU and code “02” (=Belgium) only when it is referred to as the capital of Belgium but not linked to the EU.

V11b

Main location of the story, part 2

Which geographical entity is most *affected* by the story or the actions the story depicts (in terms of **prominence** in the story or **length**)?

→ **List of locations – (see Appendix C)**

Note: If there are two equally important locations, code the one mentioned *first* in the story.

Example: example with Gordon Brown – would be coded with UK since he is talking about the UK.

Note: Only code “EU” (code 43) if indeed the political institution is meant and not the geographical entity (code 46). When ‘Brussels’ is the location code 43 if it signifies the EU and code “02”(Belgium) only when it is referred to as the capital of Belgium but not linked to the EU.

V12

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): Does the story mention **the current [NATIONAL] government and if so, how is it evaluated?** “National government’ here refers to the government or “head of government” (but only if explicitly identified as such; “Prime Minister” does not count, only when referred to as ‘head of government’) of the country the news outlet originates from. Does it mention satisfaction or dissatisfaction with it – regardless of

the source of such an evaluation? Does the story or somebody in the story comment on it negatively or positively?

Refers to tendency/bias contained in the presentation by a journalist, protagonist or his partners, competitors, independent sources (e.g. politicians, businessmen, scientists)
The tendency must be expressed:

- **explicitly**, by using terms of clearly positive or negative **judgment** (e.g., "good", "promising", "ominous", "disappointing").

Per news item you only assign one (overall) code for the explicit evaluation of the current national government in a story. Please note that particular care should be exercised while recording the tendencies and only undoubtedly positive or negative ones should be coded as such.

All evaluations are judged from the perspective of the current national government, i.e. is the evaluation positive/negative from their perspective!

In case no tendency can be assumed (i.e. there is no evaluation), then choose **no evaluation** (0). Don't interpret too much or become too subtle, too creative or too subjective.

If your impression is that the evaluation is mixed positive and negative tendencies are exactly in balance, then code **balanced/mixed** (3). If there are *both* positive and negative evaluations but the overall evaluation (or sum of specific evaluations) is, e.g., more positive than negative, then code **rather positive** (4). If it is more negative than positive, then code **rather negative** (2). If there are *either only* positive *OR* negative evaluations, even if it is just one evaluation, then code **positive** (5) or **negative** (1) respectively.

1 = not applicable / not mentioned

2 = mentioned but not evaluated

3 = negative

4 = rather negative

5 = balanced/mixed

6 = rather positive

7 = positive

FILTER VARIABLE

V13 Does the story mention either the European Union (EU)*, its institutions or policies or the European Parliamentary elections or the campaign?

1 = no

2 = yes

*** or synonyms such as ‘Brussels’ (when EU is meant), Europe (when EU is meant), EU countries (if explicitly referred to as such), EU member states (if explicitly referred to as such). EU institutions include the European Central Bank (ECB), for instance.**

SCREENING SELECTION:

THE ABOVE VARIABLES (V1-V13) ARE CODED FOR ALL POLITICAL STORIES IN A TV NEWS PROGRAM OR IN A NEWSPAPER

ONLY CODE STORIES BEYOND THIS POINT (V14-V46 / =until next filter) IF THEY ARE ABOUT* THE EU, ITS INSTITUTIONS, THE EUROPEAN ELECTIONS OR THE CAMPAIGN

**About is defined as:*

TV: mentioned at least once (anywhere in the whole story)

Newspapers: mentioned at least once (anywhere in the whole story)

All subsequent variables are only coded if V13=1

All EU stories in the relevant sections of newspapers need to be coded, not only those on the title page and on the one randomly chosen page. Thus, you have to go through all relevant sections in order to identify and code all news stories about the EU.

Newspapers: All EU stories have to be coded in the following sections: Political/News section, Editorial (including Opinion/Comment) and Business (or Economy) Section.

Do not code Sport, Travel, Housing, Culture, Motor/Auto, Fashion or Entertainment sections.

Actors

V14a-V14f Actors

→ List of actors (see Appendix D)

Up to **SIX** different **persons, groups, institutions or organizations** that are

- mentioned verbally at least twice. He/she, him/her, who(m)/which also count. Synonyms or personal pronouns also count (e.g. if Gordon Brown is referred to as “the PM” or “the Incredible Hulk” if that is indeed clearly discernable from the text. An actor should be mentioned verbally at least twice in two separate sentences. Thus, a reference to “Jose Manuel Barroso, the commission’s president” or a single sentence like “Barroso yesterday announced that he wants a second term as Commission president” only counts as *one* mentioning of Barroso, as both his name, his function, and “he” are mentioned within in a single sentence.
- or**
- verbally mentioned once **and** quoted (Brown said: "Britain...") / or quoted without quotation marks (i.e. reported speech: Brown said that...)
- or**
- mentioned verbally at least once **and** depicted at least once.

Exception: If an article in a newspaper only consists of a headline/ bullet/ picture, **one** mentioning or depiction of politicians, political groups, institutions or organizations is sufficient! However, cartoon/drawing does not count as a reference to an actor! Also, coding of actors shown on photography or film is limited to *persons* (depictions of logos, buildings of institutions do not count a reference to non-personal actors).

Note: If an **actor in a TV news** item is not verbally mentioned / interviewed/ referred to and **only depicted several times**, this does not establish him as an actor.

1. Actors are **not necessarily persons**. A government, an institution, an organization, even a country as a whole can be an actor if the story depicts so.
2. Actors can be **subjects** as well as **objects**. So an actor does **not necessarily have to act**. Actors can also be **objects** or **targets** of actions—they can be attacked or criticized, for instance.

But keep in mind that actors can only be persons, groups, institutions or organizations.

Also a reference to “Gordon Brown’s policy proposals” or “ the government’s goals” or “Tony Blair’s Notting Hill residence” counts as a mentioning of Brown, the government, or Tony Blair as actors. Similarly, a reference to “European Commission proposal” or “EU allies”

counts as a mentioning of European Commission or EU, respectively. Also a reference to the “Eurozone” or “EU member states” counts as EU actor references.

Countries as such are not coded as actors (e.g., “Germany is facing a sharp economic downturn” or “the G20 met in the UK today” does NOT count as actor reference). ONLY code a country as an actor when the country name (or mentioning of the capital of a country) is used as a synonym for the national government (e.g., “the UK yesterday announced to exit the EU” or “Germany has opposed the US proposal to increase the number of troops in Afghanistan”). In these latter cases the country name clearly indicates the national government which is listed with a respective code in the actor appendix.

3. An *unspecified* group (i.e., a mix of different) of actors referred to in plural form as “they” or “these four companies” etc. (e.g., “The Times, the Sun, and the Guardian all reported today that *they* expect ad revenues to be lower”) does not count as an actor mentioning. However, a story referring to “SPD party members” as “they” does count because it refers to a specified actor (=SPD party members), for example.
4. **Journalists** are actors *only* if they are **interviewed, reported about, or used as sources**.
5. An actor can only be coded once – although she/he/it/they may appear at several places and with different functions in the story. Then, choose the category depicting the most important role of that actor in the story. If more than one code applies to one actor, choose the most specific one (e.g., a farmer is not to be coded as ordinary citizen, but as member of a professional group). There may be cases in which the same code has to be assigned to different actors, e.g. when two members of the same party are quarreling with each other. The reference point for deciding how to code an actor is always the story. If, for example, a minister is a *candidate* running for the EP, use the relevant EP Candidate Actor List code. If the story is about the person as member of the government, use the relevant minister code.
6. **Generic groups of actors such as Europeans, voters, citizens, public, MPs, MEPs, politicians, etc. have to be mentioned twice with the same descriptive term** (e.g., 2x “voters” or 2x “Dutch MEPs”) and are coded according to the codes in the actor appendix.
7. **“I” or “We”** (e.g. “I think” or “we are”), e.g. in a column or commentary does not establish the author as an actor and thus does not count as a mentioning of an actor! This rule is not applicable regarding *interviewees* referring to themselves as “I” or “we”, since interviewees can only refer to themselves as “I” or “we” in **quotes**. One or more direct quotes always establish the interviewee as an actor (provided of course he or she is among the first 6 actors of a story).
8. Criteria for selecting actors

*If there is more than **one** actor:*

Actor 1 = the main actor, the most important actor **of the story**.

Indicators of importance are:

- duration, space of information about the actor
- frequency of being mentioned
- visibility (film, photographs etc.)
- quotes, statements of the actor.

NOTE: If two actors are equally prominent in the article with regard to the above criteria, then count the number of references to each actor and choose the one who is most often referred to. However, this rule only applies if two actors are really exactly evenly prominent with regard to the above criteria.

Note: Actors do **not** become important in a story because of their position, their rank or prestige!

If there are two or more actors that are sufficiently present (see above) in the story:
Code the other actors (except the main actor) **in the order of their appearance in the story.**

NOTE: In order to determine the order of appearance in newspaper articles and in order to determine which actor is mentioned *first* it is important to determine what part of the story is the '**coding starting point**'. Starting point is always (1) the headline, followed by (2) the photo and the caption directly following the photograph (if present), followed by (3) the first (intro) paragraph of the article, then (4) the second etc.

V15a-f Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so): **Is actor 1-6 evaluated favorably or unfavorably (regardless of the source) from his/her own perspective?**

Refers to tendency/bias contained in the presentation by a journalist, protagonist or his partners, competitors, independent sources (e.g. politicians, businessmen, scientists)
The tendency must be expressed:

- **explicitly**, by using terms of clearly positive or negative **judgment** (e.g., "good", "promising", "ominous", "disappointing").

Per news item you only assign one (overall) code for the explicit evaluation of an actor in a story. Please note, however, that particular care should be exercised while recording the tendencies and only undoubtedly positive or negative ones should be coded as such.

NOTE: Any attribute that is associated with a particular actor (e.g., policy plans, Notting Hill residence, environmental directive) also forms a part of the evaluation of the actor. For example, a "terrible EU health care directive" carries a negative evaluation of the directive, but since the directive is associated with the EU, it counts as an actor reference to the EU and as a negative evaluation of the EU (for the next variable/actor evaluation).

All evaluations are judged from the perspective of the actor!

In case no tendency can be assumed (i.e. there is no evaluation), then choose **no evaluation** (0). Don't interpret too much or become too subtle, too creative or too subjective.

If your impression is that the evaluation is mixed positive and negative tendencies are exactly in balance, then code **balanced/mixed** (3).

If there are *both* positive and negative evaluations but the overall evaluation (or sum of specific evaluations) is, e.g., more positive than negative, then code **rather positive** (4). If it is more negative than positive, then code **rather negative** (2).

If there are *either only* positive *OR* negative evaluations, even if it is just one evaluation, then code **positive** (5) or **negative** (1) respectively.

- 1 = no evaluation
- 2 = negative
- 3 = rather negative
- 4 = balanced/mixed
- 5 = rather positive
- 6 = positive

V16a-f If the actor is a person: **Is the actor male or female?** If the actor is not a person (e.g., a country or an institution) or the gender is not discernible, code “not applicable” (“9”). However, do code the gender when the actor code goes back to a person as a representative of an institution (e.g., Strauss-Kahn on behalf of the IMF = “male”). In case of a *group* of persons: only code 1 or 2 if it is clearly discernible from the story that the individuals of that group are either *all* male or *all* female. Otherwise, code “9”.

- 1 = male
- 2 = female
- 3 = not applicable

V17a-f If the actor is a person: Is the actor **explicitly** referred to as a member of an **ethnic minority group**?

Coding has to be based on explicit reference such as e.g. German politician “of Turkish decent” or as being part of (specified or unspecified) ethnic minority; a reference of e.g. a German politician being referred to as being “of Turkish descent” is enough of a reference to be coded (thus the term “ethnic minority” as such does not have to be there explicitly), note that a story about “Moroccan government” in Morocco is *not* coded as ethnic minority.

If the ethnic minority status is not discernible, code “not discernible” (code=0). If the actor is not a person, code “not applicable” (code=99). In the case of a *group* of actors: if the group of actors consists of *persons*, only code “1” if this group of actors is in fact explicitly referred to as an ethnic minority group (otherwise code “not discernible”). If the group of actors consists of *organizations*, code “not applicable” (“99”).

- 0 not discernible
- 1... see list [*appendix E*]
- 99 not applicable

V18a-f **How many times is the actor directly quoted?** Count the number of quotation marks divided by two. Thus, quotes that are interrupted by short text fragments are counted as separate quotes. Only direct quotes count; paraphrasing does not!

Groups or institutions can also be quoted (e.g.: “The EU Commission yesterday announced that they ‘were not amused’ by the statement of the Polish president.”), but *not* if e.g. a spokesman is delivering the quote *on behalf of* the group or institution (for that quote belongs to the spokesman, which establishes *him* as an actor if referred to more than once).

NOTE: For interviews on TV, any interruption during a longer interview constitutes a new quote (i.e. code the number of sound-bites as separate quotes).

_____ times (count number of direct quotes; if there are no direct quotes code “0”).

V19a-f **Is the actor being shown on photography or in film?** A cartoon/drawing does not count as a depiction of an actor! The coding of actors shown on photography or film is limited to *persons* (depictions of logos, buildings of institutions, etc. do not count). Inanimate non-human depictions of impersonal actors (institutions, groups, organizations) are NOT coded as 1, BUT they are coded as “1” if they are depicted by humans, persons (e.g., trade union members protesting on the streets).

- 1 = no
- 2 = yes

- V20A-F **DOES THE JOURNALIST OR COLUMNIST (=WRITER/AUTHOR OF THE ARTICLE) CHALLENGE ANY STATEMENT(S) OF POSITION(S) OF THIS ACTOR IN THE STORY? DOES THE JOURNALIST INDICATE THAT RE-EXAMINATION OF THIS ACTOR'S POSITION OR STATEMENT MIGHT BE REQUIRED? FOR EXAMPLE: WHEN A JOURNALIST, AFTER QUOTING OR PARAPHRASING A POLITICIAN, WRITES: "HOWEVER, THIS IS NOT NECESSARILY THE CASE." OR "EVEN SO (OR TRUE AS THAT MAY BE), THE FACTS TELL A DIFFERENT STORY." ON TV, IF A JOURNALIST (ANCHORMAN) DISAGREES WITH AN INTERVIEWEE DURING AN INTERVIEW, ALSO CODE "YES."**
- 1 = no
2 = yes

END OF ACTOR CODING

The following variables are coded for each topic

EU Topics

Code up to **five EU-specific** topics per story. These can be (but do not have to be) identical with the topics you coded earlier on as part of V5 (main topics). **Code topics in order of appearance.** Topics have to be referred to/mentioned at least **twice** (in two separate sentences) in the article or newscast and not just mentioned in passing. *Coding rule:* If in doubt, always choose **the more specific topic category.**

Only code topics that are *EU-specific*. Non-EU topics, even if they dominate the story, should be ignored and not coded.

Up to 5 EU-specific topics can be coded. However, a story does not necessarily address more than 1 topic. Thus, *do not search* for additional topics if there really are no more than 1 or 2 topics discernable!

V21a-e Code up to five EU-specific topics per story in order of appearance.

FILTER: Only code V21b if V21a is not coded "not applicable"; only code V21c if V21b is not coded "not applicable"; only code V21d if V21c is not coded "not applicable"; only code V21e if V21d is not coded "not applicable"

→ List of EU-specific topics – (see Appendix G)

Topic Specific Coding

V22a-e **Topic discussion (Code for each topic!)**
What is the extent of discussion of the topic **relative to the total length of the story?**

1 = Mentioned briefly. The topic appears briefly such as in one or two sentences with no further discussion.

- 2 = Discussed extensively, but not the main focus. The topic is discussed in several sentences, but is not the focus of the story
 3 = Focal or key topic. The topic serves as the central point of discussion in the story and will be discussed at length generally throughout the story.

V23a-e Topic relevant information (Code for each topic!)

What is the density of relevant information given in the story regarding this topic **relative to the extent of the total discussion of the topic?**

Some stories contain a great deal of relevant in-depth, factual information, others contain only little relevant in-depth, factual information and some stories do not contain any in-depth, factual information. Example: A story on the role of the EU parliament could either contain a lot of information (content/substance) regarding, for example, the competences or composition of the parliament (code=2), or - in passing - briefly mention only the main function of the parliament (code=1), or just mention the parliament without any substantial further information (code=0).

As a coding rule, “0” should be coded if there is virtually no factual information on the topic readers/viewers would be able to learn from; “1” is coded if there is some basic descriptive information readers/viewers would be able to learn from; “2” is coded if there is extensive discussion of relevant content/information readers/viewers would be able to learn from. ‘Topic-relevant information’, in general, is defined as facts, figures, numbers etc. / More informally, the basic distinction to be made here is between “content/substance” and “irrelevant/fluff”.

- 1 = No topic-relevant information mentioned
 2 = Low density of topic-relevant information
 3 = High density of topic-relevant information

V24a-e Public’s satisfaction with topic (Code for each topic!)

Does the story explicitly mention satisfaction/dissatisfaction of the general public (e.g., Dutch, Irish public, can also be individuals e.g. man in the street being interviewed) with the current state of affairs regarding the topic?

- 1 = no evaluation of public (dis-)satisfaction
 2 = Very dissatisfied (problems)
 3 = Somewhat dissatisfied
 4 = Both satisfied/dissatisfied/mixed
 5 = Somewhat satisfied
 6 = Very satisfied (no problems)

V25a-e Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says/ depicts so):

Does the story mention what the development on the topic has been in terms of ‘good’ and ‘bad? (Code for each topic! Do not code in relation to specific actors but only code with regard to specific topics!). “Development” also includes decision making, new legislation, etc. Examples (code=1): “We shouldn’t have allowed Bulgaria and Romania to join the EU in 2007; that was a mistake.” OR (when the topic is campaigning): “The PvdA campaign has gotten into trouble.” However, “the European Parliament has gotten more powers over the years” does not count, since this is not an explicit evaluation of the development in terms of good or bad (thus code=9).

- 1 = no evaluation

- 2 = situation has gotten worse
- 3 = situation has gotten better
- 4 = situation is ambivalent (gotten worse and gotten better)

END OF Topic Specific Coding
The following variables are coded for the story in general

V26

Explicitly: Does the story **evaluate the EU**, and if so, how? ‘The EU’ here refers to the EU as a political institution as such, not to single, more specific institutions such as the EP or the EC. Also code if synonyms are used which clearly refer to the EU as such, e.g., “Europe” (when in fact the EU is meant / but not if Europe is only referred to as a geographical entity) or “Brussels” (when in fact the EU is meant).

Examples of when the EU is NOT mentioned (code=9):

- “Euroskepticism is booming in the Netherlands.”
- “The EU leaders were satisfied with their decisiveness during the Summit.”

Examples of when the EU is mentioned but NOT evaluated (code=0):

- “By giving away emission rights for free, the EU does not push industries towards a cleaner production.”
- “The EU signed a historical agreement with the US.”
- “The Lisbon Treaty will enable the EU to become more democratic.”

Examples of when the EU is negatively evaluated:

- “The EU is *failing* to push industries towards a cleaner production.”

- 1 = not mentioned
- 2 = mentioned but not evaluated

- 3 = negative
- 4 = rather negative
- 5 = balanced/mixed
- 6 = rather positive
- 7 = positive

V27

Explicitly: Does the story **evaluate the European Parliament**, and if so, how?

- 1 = not mentioned
- 2 = mentioned but not evaluated

- 3 = negative
- 4 = rather negative
- 5 = balanced/mixed
- 6 = rather positive
- 7 = positive

V28

Explicitly: Does the story **evaluate the potential (=future!) enlargement of the EU (in general)?** *NOTE:* The term ‘enlargement’ needs to be explicitly mentioned as a more general political process for it to be coded 1-5. If a story refers to potential

membership of one or more specific countries (e.g. Turkey), code “mentioned but not evaluated” here. If there is an evaluation of the potential membership of either Turkey, Croatia, or Switzerland code “mentioned but not evaluated” here (since the story does deal with enlargement) but only code the evaluation here if it specifically refers to “future enlargement IN GENERAL”, if it refers to one of the specific countries code this evaluation in one of the following country-specific variables.

- 1 = not mentioned
- 2 = mentioned but not evaluated

- 3 = negative
- 4 = rather negative
- 5 = balanced/mixed
- 6 = rather positive
- 7 = positive

V29a **Explicitly:** Does the story **evaluate the potential membership of CROATIA in the EU?**

- 1 = not mentioned
- 2 = mentioned but not evaluated

- 3 = negative
- 4 = rather negative
- 5 = balanced/mixed
- 6 = rather positive
- 7 = positive

V29b **Explicitly:** Does the story **evaluate the potential membership of SWITZERLAND in the EU?**

- 1 = not mentioned
- 2 = mentioned but not evaluated

- 3 = negative
- 4 = rather negative
- 5 = balanced/mixed
- 6 = rather positive
- 7 = positive

V29c **Explicitly:** Does the story **evaluate the potential membership of TURKEY in the EU?**

- 1 = not mentioned
- 2 = mentioned but not evaluated

- 3 = negative
- 4 = rather negative
- 5 = balanced/mixed
- 6 = rather positive
- 7 = positive

V30a-f

Does the story contain explicit factual information about the following (note that “[COUNTRY]” used anywhere in this codebook refers to the country which the coded news outlet belongs to):

- a. The total number of member states in the EU (only code “yes” if the specific number mentioned is **27**).
- b. The number of representatives one or more member state(s) elect(s) in the European Parliament (either before or after the EP elections) (the number must refer to the total number of MEPs of a country as a whole; numbers for specific parties of a certain country do not count)
- c. The rotation of the presidency of the Council of the European Union (every six months) (i.e., the fact it rotates)
- d. The minimum age limit for standing as a candidate for the [COUNTRY] general elections
- e. The total number of MPs in [COUNTRY] national parliament
- f. The number of seats the European Parliament will have **after** the 2009 election

1 = no
2 = yes

V31

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so): Does the story mention any aspect related to **the state of democracy in the EU**, and if so, how is it evaluated? E.g., does the story mention whether the European Union is **democratic/transparent** or **undemocratic/intransparent**.

For example: Does the story suggest that most things are dealt with behind closed doors, most things discussed were decided in advance, or that the EU does not respect the will of the citizens, or that the EP has little power; or on the contrary does the story emphasize the transparency and democratic character of the European Union? “The European Parliament is irrelevant” does not count here because it is not an explicit evaluation of the state of EU democracy.

1 = not applicable / not mentioned
2 = mentioned but not evaluated

3 = negative
4 = rather negative
5 = balanced/mixed
6 = rather positive
7 = positive

V32

If the story or somebody in story mentions referendums on matters of European integration, is the story rather **supportive of holding referendums on matters of EU integration** or does it **oppose referendums on matters of EU integration**?

1 = not applicable / not mentioned
2 = mentioned but not evaluated

3 = negative/opposed
4 = rather negative
5 = balanced/mixed
6 = rather positive
7 = positive/supportive

FRAMES

V33 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says depicts so):** Does the story (or somebody in the story) mention **two or more sides** of (i.e., not two separate arguments of but **two or more distinct perspectives** on) a problem or issue?

Note: These “sides” do not necessarily indicate a conflict or disagreement. Example:
 “The tax increase might look good on the budget but it might slow down demand as citizens will be left with less money to spend”

1 = no
 2 = yes

V34a **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention any conflict/disagreement? *Note:* There needs to be reference to two opposing sides (e.g., “he supports , but she opposes this policy”). An expression of a one-sided opinion (e.g., “I doubt that...”; “I disagree on ...”) or discontent does not constitute a conflict. Neither does, for example, a cartel watchdog “expressing concern” about a potential merger between two big companies. Also code “1” for references to conflicts that are anticipated, i.e. conflicts that are *expected* to emerge. For example, a reference to a government party being “on collision course” with another government party would count as a reference to conflict.

1 = no
 2 = yes

V34b **[FILTER: IF V34a=1] EU-COUNTRY conflict:** Does the story mention any kind of conflict, differences of opinion, diverging points of view, disagreement over proposed policy measures between **the [COUNTRY] or the [NATIONAL] government** (incl. formal government representatives [government officials/spokespersons] or “Germany” when in fact the German government is meant) **and** (one or more political actors representing) **the European Union or the European Commission** (e.g., a EU commissioner, President of the European Commission)? For example: “According to the European Commission, Croatia is ready to join the EU. But the position of the Dutch government is and remains: ‘Croatia must do more to prevent corruption. Croatia will not join anytime soon. We will use our veto if necessary,’ said Frans Timmermans, the Dutch EU affairs minister.”

1 = no
 2 = yes

V35 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention a **personal attack** between two or more actors? Personal attacks *primarily* but not exclusively focus on persons and personal characteristics and not on issue content, or substance. One politician stating that he disagrees with another politician on a certain policy or issue does not constitute a ‘personal attack’. This is only fulfilled if the attack contains a reference to the person/personality/personal characteristics of the other politician at the expense of content-related considerations. Furthermore, personal attacks are often unsubstantiated, i.e. not backed up with factual information. Example: “These leftist politicians don’t know what they’re talking

about.” OR “Politician X said yesterday that the arrogance of politician Y would simply be unbearable”, OR: “A called B a ‘liar’ in response to his earlier statement.”

1 = no
2 = yes

V36a **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story say that one person, group, institution or organization **reproaches/blames/criticizes** another?

1 = no
2 = yes

V36b **[FILTER: IF V36a=1] EU-COUNTRY reproach:** Does the story say that (one or more political actors representing) the [COUNTRY] or the [NATIONAL] **government reproaches/blames/criticizes** (one or more political actors representing) **the European Union or the European Commission** (e.g., a EU commissioner, President of the European Commission) **or vice versa?** E.g. the Dutch government said: The EC is wrong: Croatia should not join.

1 = no
2 = yes

V37 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the author or any kind of actor mentioned in the article express/argue that one’s country has had any kinds of **benefits from the EU** (generally or specific) or that the situation in one’s country has improved or will (potentially) improve because of the EU? (*Note:* This does not only refer to EU membership of a country but also benefits with regard to the process of EU integration, EU enlargement etc.)

1 = no
2 = yes

V38 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the article present **numbers, figures, statistics that indicate that one’s country has benefited from the EU?** (*Note:* This does not only refer to EU membership of a country but also benefits with regard to the process of EU integration, EU enlargement etc.)

1 = no
2 = yes

V39 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the author or any kind of actor mentioned in the article express/argue that one’s country has had any kind of **disadvantages from the EU** (generally or specific) or that the situation in one’s country has been negatively affected or will (potentially) be negatively affected because of the EU? (*Note:* This does not only refer to EU membership of a country but also disadvantages with regard to the process of EU integration, EU enlargement etc.)

1 = no
2 = yes

V40 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the article present **numbers, figures, statistics that indicate that one’s country has been**

negatively affected by the EU? (*Note:* This does not only refer to EU membership of a country but also disadvantages with regard to the process of EU integration, EU enlargement etc.)

1 = no
2 = yes

V41 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story make any kind of **negative** reference to a particular **distance or ‘gap’ between the EU and its citizens?** Example: If a story refers to citizens feeling not represented/understood by the EU (also includes citizen indifference, disinterest towards EU).

1 = no
2 = yes

V42 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story make any kind of **positive** reference to the **responsiveness of the EU towards its citizens?** Example: If a story mentions that the EU makes efforts to address concerns of citizens (responding, reaching out, listening to EU citizens, etc.; also includes Plan D for Democracy initiative by European Commission)

1 = no
2 = yes

V43 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story **contrast** the people/ the masses/ the electorate (as a collective entity) and the interest of the people/ the masses/ the electorate against political or economic authorities/ elites/ power holders and their interests? Does the story **contrast/juxtapose** the will/position of elites and the will/position of the general public? E.g., "politicians do not voice the will of the people", "parties have interests different from those of the man in the street", "the elections will be a means of sticking two fingers up at the political establishment."

1 = no
2 = yes

V44 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story in general display **criticism or negativity** towards political or economic authorities/ elites/ power holders **from the perspective of the public/people/citizens?** E.g., bank managers are corrupt and selfish, European civil servants are self-centered etc. However, "politicians do not voice the will of the people", "parties have interests different from those of the man in the street" are mere observations and do not contain explicit elements of criticism (and would thus be coded as 0).

1 = no
2 = yes

V45 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says depicts so):** Does the story mention aspects relating to women as a group or gender differences? For example, does the story focus on gender differences or women candidates, women as voters or women's issues in the campaign. For example, the story may focus on the gender gap in turnout, the number of female candidates or the story may focus on the training of women political candidates.

1 = no
2 = yes

FILTER VARIABLE

EU ELECTION AND CAMPAIGN STORIES ONLY

V46 ***IS THE STORY ABOUT* THE EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS AND/OR
THE CAMPAIGN?***

1 = no
2 = yes

SCREENING SELECTION:

THE ABOVE ARE CODED FOR ALL EU SPECIFIC AND ELECTION AND CAMPAIGN
RELATED STORIES IN A NEWS PROGRAM OR IN A NEWSPAPER

**ONLY CODE STORIES BEYOND THIS POINT (V47-V60) IF THEY ARE ABOUT*
THE EU PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS AND/OR THE CAMPAIGN**

**About the European Parliamentary elections and/or the campaign is defined as:*

TV: mentioned once

Newspapers: mentioned at least once

All subsequent variables are only coded if V46=1

POLLS

V47 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention opinion poll results predicting the **outcome** of the European Parliamentary elections in **[COUNTRY]** (=survey results about vote choice intentions)? **Only code 1, 2 or 3** if a poll is (1) **conducted in the country which the news outlet belongs to** and (2) reports poll results about **vote choice intentions** (i.e., outcome predictions/ parties' shares of the national EP vote at a particular point in time). **Only code 2 or 3 if the poll results include actual numbers** such as a party's exact share of the vote (e.g. latest polls predict the Labour party to get 10% of

the vote) or increases or decreases of that share (e.g. “Labour has lost ground; their share of the vote dropped 5 %”). If, for example, a story in a Dutch newspaper mentions that “the Dutch Eurosceptic parties are expected to do well in the EP elections”, code “1” (for this reference does not include actual numbers). **Only code 3 if the story mentions the source** of the poll results.

1 = No

2 = Yes, public opinion polls mentioned in general

3 = Yes, specific opinion poll result mentioned without source

4 = Yes, specific opinion poll result mentioned with source (e.g., polling organization)

V48 FILTER: ONLY IF V47 > 0

From which country is the news paper/TV broadcast?

[LIST OF LOCATIONS # 1 - # 27]

V49 FILTER: ONLY IF V47 > 0

Explicitly (only if explicitly mentioned in the text): If opinion polls are mentioned, how well or poorly are the following parties expected to perform **in the European Parliamentary elections?**

Note: Poll needs to be about the EU elections (not national elections). Prediction needs to be explicitly mentioned/referred to in the text, do **not** just read the polls/graphs and interpret the numbers yourself. Percentages that are only part of a graph/illustration are not sufficient to be coded.

Only code 1, 2, 3 or 4 if the story EXPLICITLY mentions a REFERENCE POINT; something like "Labour has dropped to 5 pct" is NOT sufficient. There needs to be a reference point (any previous election but also, for example, any previous poll, the number of seats in the present national parliament or any kind of previous prediction or expectation by the media). However, the coding is independent of *which* reference point the prediction refers to (e.g., last EP election or last regional or national election). **The reference point MUST be present in the TEXT.** Reference points that are ONLY presented in ILLUSTRATIONS (e.g. graph comparing current results to '04 outcome) are NOT sufficient.

For example: an article that states that party A is expected to gain vote shares compared to the last EP election is coded as “1”; an article that states that party A is expected to gain vote shares compared to last national election is also coded as “1”. Category “4” (both) is only coded if there is the *exact* same amount of positive and negative predictions regarding a certain party (e.g., losing with regard to last EP election but gaining with regard to last national election).

All parties contesting the EPE in [COUNTRY].

[see APPENDIX H)

1 = not applicable / no prediction

2 = better

3 = about the same, i.e. no change

4 = worse

5 = both, better and worse

V50

Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so): Does the story mention **interviews of persons in the street** (= vox populi) (i.e., an actual statement, quote from a person in the street; paraphrasing does not count, neither does a reference by a politician to a remark made by e.g. Joe the Plumber)?

1 = No
2 = Yes; people interviewed in the street

FRAMES

V51 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Are one or more *actors* (only actors, though not necessarily one of actors 1-6!) called (potential) **“winners”** or **“losers”**? (e.g., “The winner of the day was politician/party X”).
Note: Has to be mentioned explicitly – not victims, refugees that are not **called** “losers” or dictators that are not **called** “winners”, for instance.

1 = no
2 = yes

V52 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention a person’s, group’s, institution’s or organization’s **presentation and style** – of how, in which way, in which manner they handle an issue? (e.g., competently, nervously, proudly, elegantly, badly, ill-prepared, hastily etc.).

1 = no
2 = yes

V53 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention that an action of a person, group, institution or organization was taken in order to **stabilize, consolidate or enhance his/her/its position**, in order to make him/her/it look better in public opinion or in the political arena? I.e., does the story mention a **tactical, calculated or strategic move with a certain motivation**?

1 = no
2 = yes

V54 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story use one or more metaphors from the **language of games, sport and/or war**? (e.g., race, fight, clash, blow up, bombing, battle, attack, throwing in the towel, betting on the right horse, taking the bull by the horns, a good team-player, a good sportsman, a kick in the teeth, a kicking, a political gun for hire, etc.)
Note: Every country has its own sports metaphors. Please take them into account. Also note that a reference to the “war in Iraq” does not count, for example, because it is not used as a metaphor.

1 = no
2 = yes

V55 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention that the European Parliamentary election campaign is boring and/or exciting? If there is equal reference to both code “3”; if both are mentioned but one is given more prominence code the respective code (either “1” or “2”).

1 = not applicable / not mentioned
2 = boring (incl. “not exciting”)
3 = exciting (incl. “not boring”)
4 = both, boring and exiting

V56 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention that turnout in the European Parliamentary elections in [COUNTRY] will be low and/or high? If there is equal reference to both code “3”; if both are mentioned but one is given more prominence code the respective code (either “1” or “2”). Note that “boring” does not include references to citizen indifference and disinterest (for that, see V58).

- 1 = not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = low
- 3 = high
- 4 = both, low and high

V57 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention that turnout in the European Parliamentary elections [EU-wide] will be low and/or high? If there is equal reference to both code “3”; if both are mentioned but one is given more prominence code the respective code (either “1” or “2”).

- 1 = not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = low
- 3 = high
- 4 = both, low and high

V58 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says so):** Does the story mention that people are not interested and/ or interested in either the campaign or the election itself? If there is equal reference to both code “3”; if both are mentioned but one is given more prominence code the respective code (either “1” or “2”).

- 1 = not applicable / not mentioned
- 2 = don't care, are not interested, apathetic, indifferent
- 3 = care, are interested, excited
- 4 = both, not interested, apathetic and interested, not excited

V59 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says depicts so):** Does the story mention any aspect relating to the **role of the media** in or media coverage of the election campaign or political affairs in general (e.g., press presence, behaviors, and influence)? Examples: The (news) media are a technical transmitter of campaign events. / The (news) media are a journalistic platform of campaign events. / The (news) media are a important/influential actor in the election/campaign/game of politics./ The (news) media try to live up to standards of democratic performance. Also includes political campaigns or candidates complaining about media treatment, e.g.: “the media should take us, the MEPs, more seriously.”

- 1 = No
- 2 = Yes

V60 **Explicitly (only if the story or somebody in the story says depicts so):** Does the story mention any aspect relating to one or more **publicity* efforts of political actors/campaigns towards the media*? Political publicity involves the *promotion* of, and/or the *management of perceptions* about, a particular political candidate, party, and/or institution. For example, a news story that refers to political advertising, politicians' media strategies (e.g., media appearances), spin doctors or image management strategies of politicians in which the media feature a certain role would be coded as “1”. Also includes, for example: “Brussels is making huge efforts to boost

participation: an advertisement is being screened on the national television networks of almost all member states.”

1 = No
2 = Yes

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APPENDIX A – List of coders

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Emma Callet	013
Tewfiq Al-Sharaiya	014
Vlad Cadar	015
Hugo Pinto	016
Pedro Geirinhas	017
Lucas Freire	018
Marzio Menichetti	019
Gilda Fulco	020
Ausra Kasperaviciute	021
Zita Patapovaite	022
Neli Ivanova	023
Samantha Abela	024
Simone Azzopardi	025
Plamena Ivanova	030
Sarah Kristensen	031
Liisu Lass	032
Juulia Baer-Bader	033
Erika Stenmark	034
Jennifer Eurich	035
Andreas Schuetz	036
Kati Vogt	037
Jasmin Rocha	038
Madara Laksa	039
Marta Engere	040
Roxane Schwandt	041
Silvie van der Zee	042

Esther Mol	043
Liesbeth Mann	044
Erlijn Wenink	045
Agnieszka Kazimierczuk	046
Ewa Urywkow-Tchang	047
Izabella Dabrowska	048
Andreja Trdina	049
Boris Mance	050
Sandra ten Zijthoff	051
Cristina Alonso	052
Fernando Morente	053
Patrik Edvardsson	054
Cecilia Bengtsson	055
Eowyn Castle	056
Philip Boven	057
Apostolos Andrikopoulos	058
Evangelia Sigala	059
Vasilis Tsaousis	060
Marta Geronikolaki	061
Eleni Kanava	062
Sandor Blasko	063
Katalin Toth	064
Johanna Timonen	065
Alex Virtanen	066

Appendix B: List of News Outlets

Newspapers

Final outlet list 2009 (italics marks differences from the 2004 list):

Country	Outlet	Code
Austria:	Der Standard	0401001
	Die Presse	0401002
	Neue Kronen Zeitung	0401003
Belgium:	De Morgen	0561001
	De Standard	0561002
	Het Laatste Nieuws	0561003
	La Dernière Heure	0561004
	La Libre Belgique	0561005
	Le Soir	0561006
Bulgaria	<i>24 Chasa</i>	1001001
	<i>Dnevnik</i>	1001002
	<i>Trud</i>	1001003
Czech. Rep.:	Blesk	2031001
	Mlada Fronta	2031002
	Pravo	2031003
Cyprus:	<i>Fileleytheros</i>	1961001
	<i>Haravgi</i>	1961002
	<i>Simerini</i>	1961003
Denmark:	Ekstra Bladet	2081001
	Morgenavisen Jyllandsp.	2081002
	Politiken	2081003
Estonia:	<i>Eesti Ekspress Wochenblatt</i>	2331001
	Postimees	2331002
	SL Öhtuleht	2331003
Finland:	Aamulehti	2461001
	Helsingin Sanomat	2461002
	<i>Iltasanomat</i>	2461003
France:	Le Figaro	2501001
	Le Monde	2501002

	Libération	2501003
Germany:	Bild	2761001
	FAZ	2761002
	SZ	2761003
Greece:	Eleftherotypia	3001001
	Kathimerini	3001002
	Ta Nea	3001003
Hungary:	Blikk	3481001
	Magyar Nemzet	3481002
	Nepszabadsag	3481003
Ireland:	Irish Independent	3721001
	The Irish Times	3721002
	The (Daily) Star	3721003
Italy:	Il Corriere della Sera	3801001
	Il Giornale	3801002
	La Repubblica	3801003
Latvia:	Diena	4281001
	<i>Latvijas Avize</i>	4281002
	<i>Vesti segodnya</i>	4281003
Lithuania:	Lietuvos rytas	4401001
	Respublika	4401002
	<i>Vakaro zinijs</i>	4401003
Luxembourg:	Tageblatt	4421001
	Voix du Luxembourg	4421002
	Wort (D')	4421003
Malta:	<i>Nazzjon</i>	4701001
	<i>Orizzont</i>	4701002
	The Times (engl.)	4701003
Netherlands:	De Telegraaf	5281001
	De Volkskrant	5281002
	NRC Handelsblad	5281003
Poland	<i>Fakt</i>	6161001
	Gazeta Wyborcza	6161002
	Rzeczpospolita	6161003

Portugal:	Correio da Manha	6201001
	Jornal de Notícias	6201002
	Publico	6201003
Romania	<i>Evenimentul Zilei</i>	6421001
	<i>Jurnalul National</i>	6421002
	<i>Libertatea</i>	6421003
Slovakia:	Daily Pravda	7031001
	Nový cas	7031002
	Sme/Práca	7031003
Slovenia:	Dnevnik	7051001
	Slovenske Novice	7051002
	The Delo	7051003
Spain:	ABC	7241001
	El Mundo	7241002
	El Pais	7241003
Sweden:	Aftonbladet	7521001
	Dagens Nyheter	7521002
	<i>Svenska Dagbladet</i>	7521003
United Kingdom:	Daily Telegraph	8261001
	(Sunday: Sunday Telegraph)	
	Guardian	8261002
	(Sunday: The Observer)	
Sun	8261003	

TV News Shows

Country	Outlet	Code
Austria	<i>Aktuell 19.20 (ATV)</i>	0402002
	ZiB 19.30 (ORF1)	0402001
Belgium	Het Journaal 19.00 (VRT)	0562001
	JT Meteo 19.30 (La Une)	0562003
	Le Journal 19.00 (RTL-TV)	0562004
	VTM-Nieuws 19.00 (VTM)	0562002
Bulgaria	<i>bTV Новините 19:00 (bTV)</i>	1002001

	<i>По света и у нас 20:00 (BNT kanal 1)</i>	1002002
Cyprus	<i>Ειδήσεις 20.00 (RIK1) Τα Νέα του Ant1 20.15 (Antenna)</i>	1962001 1962002
Czech Republic	Udalosti 19.00 (Ceska televize) Televizni noviny 19.30 (TV Nova)	2032001 2032002
Denmark	Nyhederne 19.00 (TV2) TV-avisen 21.00 (DR 1)	2082001 2082002
Estonia	Aktuaalne kaamera 21.00 (ETV) Reporter 19.00 (Kanal2)	2332001 2332002
Finland	Kymmenen uutiset 22:00 (MTV3) Tv-uutiset ja sää 20.30 (YLE TV1)	2462002 2462001
France	Le Journal 20.00 (F2) Le Journal 20.00 (TF1)	2502002 2502001
Germany	18.30 (SAT1) Heute 19.00 (ZDF) RTL aktuell 18.45 (RTL) Tagesschau 20.00 (ARD)	2762004 2762002 2762003 2762001
Greece	<i>Ειδήσεις NET (21.00) Κεντρικό Δελτίο 20.00 (Mega)</i>	3002002 3002001
Hungary	<i>Esti Híradó 18:30 (RTL Klub)</i> Híradó 20:30 (M2)	3482002 3482001
Italy	TG1 20.00 (RaiUno) TG5 20.00 (Canale5)	3802001 3802002
Ireland	Nine News 21.00 (RTEI1) TV3 News 17:30 (TV3)	3722001 3722002

Latvia	Panorāmas 20:30 (LTV)	4282001
	T Ziņas 20:00 (LNT)	4282002
Lithuania	Panorama 20.30 (LTV)	4402001
	TV3 žinios 18.45 (TV3)	4402002
Luxembourg	De Journal 19.30 (RTL)	4422001
Malta	L-Aħbarijiet TVM 20.00 (TVM)	4702001
	One News 19.30 (One TV)	4702002
Netherlands	NOS Journaal 20.00	5282002
	RTL Nieuws 19.30 (RTL)	5282001
Poland	FAKTY 19:00 (TVN)	6162002
	Wiadomości 19:30 (TVP1)	6162001
Portugal	<i>Jornal Nacional (20:00)</i> (TVI)	6202002
	Telejornal 20:00 (RTP1)	6202001
	<i>Stirile 19.00 (Pro TV)</i>	6422002
Romania	<i>Telejurnal 20:00 (TVR1)</i>	6422001
	Spravy 19:30 (STV 1)	7032001
Slovakia	Televizne Noviny 19:00 (TV Markiza)	7032002
	Slovenia	24UR 19.00 (POP TV)
Spain	<i>Dnevnik 19.00 (TV SI)</i>	7052001
	Noticias2 21.00 (Antena3)	7242003
	Telecinco 20.30 (Tele5)	7242002
	Telediario-2 21.00 (TVE1)	7242001
Sweden	Nyheterna 18.25 (TV4)	7522002
	Rapport 19.30 (TV2)	7522001
UK	BBC1 News at 10	8262001
	ITV News at 10	8262002

Appendix C: List of Locations

01	Austria
02	Belgium
03	Denmark
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05	France
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12	Portugal
13	Spain
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15	UK
16	Estonia
17	Latvia
18	Lithuania
19	Poland
20	Hungary
21	Czech
22	Slovakia
23	Slovenia
24	Cyprus
25	Malta
26	Bulgaria
27	Romania
28	Croatia
29	Turkey
30	Switzerland
31	Serbia
32	Bosnia
33	Macedonia
34	Iceland
35	Norway
36	Moldova (incl. Transnistria)
37	Ukraine
38	Belarus
39	Kosovo
40	Albania
41	Montenegro
42	Balkan (<i>or one of its countries that is not mentioned above</i>)

- 43 The **EU, EU countries**¹ (e.g. ‘the European Union’ or group of EU countries or
synonyms such as ‘Brussels’ if it is applied to represent/signify the EU)
- 44 **“Eurozone”**¹
- 45 **other European (non-EU) countries** (*non-EU countries*, e.g. Andorra,
Liechtenstein, but not Russia, Balkan, etc., see above and below)
- 46 **Europe** as a (geographical) whole¹ (Note: Make sure that not only the EU-
countries are meant [code: 43], but Europe as a geographical entity)
- 47 Georgia (i.e. Georgië) (incl. South Ossetia, Abkhazia, Adjara)
- 48 Russia
- 49 Europe/Asia transcontinental states (i.e. Azerbaijan, Armenia, Kazakhstan; not:
Cyprus, Turkey, Georgia, Russia: see above)
- 50 U.S.A.
- 51 Canada
- 52 China
- 53 India
- 54 Japan
- 55 Asia (if not any of the above countries)
- 56 Gulf region/Middle East (e.g., Iran, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Israel, Syria etc.)
- 57 Australia, New Zealand (Oceania)
- 58 South and Central America
- 59 Africa
- 60 Arctica/Antarctica
- 61 **NATO countries**² (Belgium, Canada, Czech Rep, Denmark, France, Germany,
Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Poland,
Portugal, Spain, Turkey, United Kingdom, US)
- 62 Rest of the world¹
- 63 **World** as a whole¹
- 64 **UN countries**¹
- 65 **OSCE states**¹
- 66 **WEU states**¹ (Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Luxembourg,
Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom)
- 67 **G8/G20 states**¹ (USA, Canada, UK, France, Germany, Italy, Russia, Japan)
- 68 Third World countries¹, Developing countries¹
- 90 other location (e.g. universe etc.)
- 99 Not applicable / not determinable

¹ Please make sure that this term is used explicitly.

² Please make sure that this term is used explicitly.

Appendix D: List of Actors

EU-LEVEL/ EU-WIDE

I. Political Actors

- 100 EU Commission as a whole
- 101 Jose Manuel Barroso (President)
- 102 Margot Wallstroem (Vice-president, Institutional Relations and Communication Strategy)
- 103 Guenter Verheugen (Vice-president, Enterprise and Industry)
- 104 Jacques Barrot (Vice-president, Justice, Freedom and Security)
- 105 Siim Kallas (Vice-president, Administrative Affairs, Audit and Anti-Fraud)
- 106 Antonio Tajani (Vice-president, Transport)
- 107 Viviane Reding (Information Society and Media)
- 108 Stavros Dimas (Environment)
- 109 Joaquin Almunia (Economic and Monetary Affairs)
- 110 Danuta Huebner (Regional Policy)
- 111 Joe Borg (Fisheries and Maritime Affairs)
- 112 Dalia Grybauskaite (Financial Programming and Budget)
- 113 Janez Potocnik (Science and Research)
- 114 Jan Figel (Education, Training, Culture and Youth)
- 115 Olli Rehn (Enlargement)
- 116 Louis Michel (Development and Humanitarian Aid)
- 117 Laszlo Kovacs (Taxation and Customs Union)
- 118 Neelie Kroes (Competition)
- 119 Mariann Fischer Boel (Agriculture and Rural Development)
- 120 Benita Ferrero-Waldner (External Relations and European Neighbourhood Policy)
- 121 Charlie McCreevy (Internal Market and Services)
- 122 Vladimir Spidla (Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities)
- 123 Andris Piebalgs (Energy)
- 124 Meglena Kuneva (Consumer Protection)
- 125 Leonard Orban (Multilingualism)
- 126 Androulla Vassiliou (Health)
- 127 Catherine Ashton (Trade)

- 200 The EU as a whole (or synonyms like “EU member states”, “Europe”)
- 201 European Council (or synonyms like “EU Council”)
- 202 Jan Fischer (President of the European Council) (*Only* code if he is referred to with this function. If he is introduced as both head of EU council and prime minister of Czech Republic, code the first function that is mentioned)
- 203 Javier Solana (High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy)
- 204 Council of Ministers

- 250 European Parliament
- 251 Hans Gert Pöttering (President of the European Parliament)

- 252 EPP-ED (or EVP-ED European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats – christian-dem./conserve.)
- 253 PES (or PSE: Party of European Socialists – social-dem.)
- 254 ALDE (or ADLE: Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe)
- 255 UEN (Union for Europe of the Nations – nationalist/conservative)
- 256 Greens/EFA (The Greens Europe Free Alliance – green)
- 257 GUE/NGL (European United Left / Nordic Green Left – socialist/communist)
- 258 IND/DEM (Independence /Democracy group – anti-european)
- 259 Libertas (e.g. Declan Ganley)
- 260 Newropeans
- 261 Non-affiliated members of the European Parliament
- 262 Members of the European Parliament in general (EU-wide, cross-national!)

- 298 Other EU-level/ EU-wide political actor
- 299 EU parties/politicians in general

II. Non-political Actors

- 300 European Central Bank (ECB) and its representatives (e.g. Jean-Claude Trichet)
- 301 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks, “European businesses”)
- 302 EUROPOL
- 303 Committee of regions
- 304 Social and Economic Committee
- 305 Council of Europe
- 306 OSCE (Organizatoin for Security and Co-operation in Europe) (Dutch: OVSE)
- 307 Other administrative actors (authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 308 Judiciary (e.g. European Court of Justice, other EU courts, judges, lawyers)
- 309 Activists
- 310 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 311 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 312 Thinktanks (e.g. Centre for European Reform)
- 313 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 314 Experts
- 315 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 316 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists, etc)
- 317 Unidentified “inside” sources (e.g. insiders)
- 318 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: Europeans, European voters, European citizens, European population, European voters, European public etc.).
- 319 Other EU-level/ EU-wide non-political actors

SUPRANATIONAL LEVEL/ WORLDWIDE

- 400 NATO
- 401 UN / UN General Secretary (incl. Security Council, UNCHR, UNDP, etc.)
- 402 Ban Ki-moon (UN Secretary)
- 403 G7/G8/G10/G15/G20

- 404 International Monetary Fund (IMF), World Bank, World Trade Organization (WTO)
- 405 Supranational organizations (e.g. Greenpeace, Red Cross, Amnesty, social movements with a supranational character)
- 406 Pope
- 407 Dalai Lama
- 408 Other supranational religious leader
- 499 Other supranational institutions/organization/actor

EU APPLICANT COUNTRIES

Turkey, Croatia, Macedonia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia

I. Political Actors

- 400001 Head of state
- 400002 Head of government
- 400003 (Member(s) of) Parliament
- 400004 Government / country as a whole (also synonyms such as “Istanbul”, “Turkey”), Cabinet as a whole
- 400005 Foreign secretary
- 400006 Minister(s) (Not: Foreign secretary),
- 400007 (Politicians of) Government party(ies) (Not: Ministers), Government party(ies) as a whole
- 400008 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 400009 Other politician(s) from other first-step enter EU applicant countries (e.g. local, regional, and ex-politicians)

II. Non-political actors

- 400100 National Central Bank
- 400101 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 400102 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 400103 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 400104 Activists
- 400105 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 400106 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 400107 Thinktanks
- 400108 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 400109 Experts
- 400110 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 400111 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 400112 Unidentified “inside” sources (e.g. insiders)
- 400113 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. ordinary citizens being interviewed

- 400114 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 400115 Other non-politicians

NON-EU COUNTRIES

These include Iceland, Norway, Switzerland, Ukraine, Georgia

I. Political actors

- 999001 Head of state
- 999002 Head of government
- 999003 (Member(s) of) Parliament (or one of its chambers; e.g., US: Senate/
Congress)
- 999004 Government / country as a whole (also synonyms such as “Washington”,
“The US”, “Ukraine”, “Russia”), Cabinet as a whole
- 999005 Foreign secretary
- 999006 Minister(s) (Not: Foreign secretary)
- 999007 (Politicians of) Government party(ies) (Not: Ministers), Government
party(ies) as a whole
- 999008 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a
whole
- 999009 Other politician(s) from the rest of the world (e.g. local, regional, and ex-
politicians, e.g. mayor of New York, or Bill Clinton)
- 999010 US president Barack Obama
- 999011 Japanese prime minister Taro Aso
- 999012 Russian premier Vladimir Poetin
- 999013 Russian president Dmitri Medvedev
- 999014 Canadian prime minister Stephen Harper

II. Non political actors

- 999101 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 999102 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 999103 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 999104 Activists
- 999105 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 999106 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 999107 Thinktanks
- 999108 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers
etc.)
- 999109 Experts
- 999110 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 999111 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers,
publicists)
- 999112 Unidentified “inside” sources (e.g. insiders)
- 999113 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups,
populations as a whole (e.g. Americans, Russians etc.) (also: voters,

people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. normal citizens from other non-EU country being interviewed

999114 Other non political actors from the rest of the world

AUSTRIA

Country code = 10

I. Government Members

100000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
100001 Werner Faymann (Chancellor)
100002 Josef Pröll
100003 Michael Spindelegger (EU)
100004 Alois Stöger
100005 Maria Fekter
100006 Claudia Bandion-Ortner
100007 Nikolaus Berlakovich
100008 Norbert Darabos
100009 Rudolf Hundstorfer
100010 Claudia Schmied
100011 Doris Bures
100012 Reinold Mittellehner
100013 Johannes Hahn
100014 Gabriele Heinisch-Hosek
100030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

100050 Heinz Fischer (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

100100 ÖVP (party as a whole)
100101 Josef Pröll
100102 Karlheinz Kopf
100105 Ernst Strasser
100106 Othmar Karas
100110 Other ÖVP national politician
100115 Other ÖVP (candidate) MEP

100200 SPÖ (party as a whole)
100201 Werner Faymann
100202 Josef Cap
100205 Hans Swoboda
100210 Other SPÖ national politician
100215 Other SPÖ (candidate) MEP

100300 Grünen (party as a whole)

100301 Eva Glawischnig-Piesczek
 100305 Ulrike Lunacek
 100306 Johannes Voggenhuber
 100310 Other Grünen national politician
 100315 Other Grünen (candidate) MEP

 100400 FPÖ (party as a whole)
 100401 Heinz-Christian Strache
 100405 Andreas Mölzer
 100410 Other FPÖ national politician
 100415 Other FPÖ (candidate) MEP

 100500 Liste Dr Martin (party as a whole)
 100505 Hans Peter Martin
 100515 Other Liste Dr Martin (candidate) MEP

 100600 BZÖ (party as a whole)
 100601 Josef Bucher
 100605 Ewald Stadler
 100610 Other BZÖ national politician
 100615 Other BZÖ (candidate) MEP

 100700 KPÖ (party as a whole)
 100701 Melina Klaus
 100705 Guenther Hopfgartner
 100710 Other KPÖ national politician
 100715 Other KPÖ (candidate) MEP

 100800 JuLis/ Junge Liberale (party as a whole)
 100810 JuLis/ Junge Liberale national politician
 100815 JuLis/ Junge Liberale (candidate) MEP

 103000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 103001 Other Austrian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 103002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
 103003 Austrian (candidate) MEPs in general
 103004 Austrian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

105000 National Central Bank
 105001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
 105002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
 105003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
 105004 Activists
 105005 Police and military units (troops, army)

105006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
105007	Thinktanks
105008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
105009	Experts
105010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
105011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
105012	Unidentified “inside” sources
105013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
105014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
105015	Country's other non political actors

BELGIUM

Country code = 11

I. FEDERAL Government Members

110000	Government / country as a whole (also synonyms such as “Den Haag”), Cabinet as a whole
110001	Herman Van Rompuy (minister-president)
110002	Steven Vanackere
110003	Didier Reynders
110004	Karel De Gucht (EU)
110005	Joëlle Milquet
110006	Laurette Onkelinx
110007	Guido De Padt
110008	Pieter De Crem
110009	Charles Michel
110010	Paul Magnette
110011	Vincent Van Quickenborne
110012	Annemie Turtelboom
110013	Sabine Laruelle
110014	Marie Arena
110030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

119050	King Albert II
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III(a). FLEMISH Government Members

119000	FLEMISH government / Flanders as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
119001	Kris Peeters (Minister-president)
119002	Dirk Van Mechelen
119003	Frank Vandenbroucke
119004	Bert Anciaux

119005 Marino Keulen
119006 Kathleen Van Brempt
119007 Veerle Heeren
119008 Hilde Crevits
119009 Patricia Ceysens
119030 Other member of FLEMISH government

III(b). WALLOON Government Members

119011 WALLOON government / Wallonia as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
119012 Rudy Demotte (minister-president)
119013 André Antoine
119014 Michel Daerden
119015 Marie Arena
119016 Philippe Courard
119017 Marie-Dominique Simonet
119018 Jean-Claude Marcourt
119019 Christiane Vienne
119020 Benoit Lutgen
119030 Other member of WALLOON government

IV. FLEMISH/ WALLOON Political Parties/ Party Leaders

110100 CD&V (Christen-Democratisch en Vlaams) (party as a whole)
110101 Marianne Thyssen
110102 Servais Verherstraeten
110105 Bart Dochy
110110 Other CD&V national politician
110115 Other CD&V (candidate) MEP

110200 NV-A (Nieuw-Vlaamse Alliantie) (party as a whole)
110201 Bart De Wever
110202 Jan Peumans
110203 Jan Jambon
110205 Frieda Brepoels
110210 Other NV-A national politician
110215 Other NV-A (candidate) MEP

110300 CDH (Centre Démocrate Humaniste) (party as a whole)
110301 Joëlle Milquet
110302 Anne-Marie Corbisier-Hagon
110303 Melchior Wathelet jr
110305 Anne Delvaux
110310 Other CDH national politician
110315 Other CDH (candidate) MEP

110400 Open VLD (Open Vlaamse Liberalen en Democraten) (party as a whole)
110401 Sven Gatz

110402	Bart Tommelein
110405	Guy Verhofstadt
110406	Philippe De Backer
110410	Other Open VLD national politician
110415	Other Open VLD (candidate) MEP
110500	MR (Mouvement Réformateur) (party as a whole)
110501	Didier Reynders
110502	Françoise Berthiaux
110503	Daniel Bacquelaine
110505	Louis Michel
110510	Other MR national politician
110515	Other MR (candidate) MEP
110600	PS (Parti Socialiste) (party as a whole)
110601	Elio di Rupo
110602	Léon Walry
110603	Thierry Giet
110605	Jean-Claude Marcourt
110610	Other PS national politician
110615	Other PS (candidate) MEP
110700	sp.a (Socialistische Partij Anders) (party as a whole)
110701	Caroline Gennez
110702	Ludo Sannen
110703	Peter van Velthoven
110705	Kathleen Van Brempt
110706	Toon Wassenberg
110710	Other sp.a national politician
110715	Other sp.a (candidate) MEP
110800	Groen! (party as a whole)
110801	Mieke Vogels
110802	Rudi Daems
110805	Bart Staes
110806	Wouter Vanbesien
110810	Other Groen! national politician
110815	Other Groen! (candidate) MEP
110900	Écolo (Écologistes Confédérés pour l'organisation de luttes originales) (party as a whole)
110901	Jean-Michel Javaux
110902	Bernard Wesphael
110903	Jean-Marc Nollet
110905	Isabelle Durant
110910	Other Écolo national politician

110915 Other Écolo (candidate) MEP

 111000 VB (Vlaams Belang) (party as a whole)
 111001 Filip Dewinter
 111002 Bruno Valkeniers
 111003 Gerolf Annemans
 111005 Frank Vanhecke
 111010 Other VB national politician
 111015 Other VB (candidate) MEP

 111100 SLP (Sociaal Liberale Partij) (party as a whole)
 111101 Geert Lambert
 111102 Els Van Weert
 111105 Nelly Maes
 111106 Günther Dauwen
 111110 Other SLP national politician
 111115 Other SLP (candidate) MEP

 111200 LDD (Lijst Dedecker) (party as a whole)
 111205 Jean-Marie Dedecker
 111210 Other LDD national politician
 111215 Other LDD (candidate) MEP

 111300 CAP (Comité voor een andere politiek) (party as a whole)
 111301 Frank Lambrechts
 111302 Natan Hertogen
 111305 Raf Verbeke
 111310 Other CAP national politician
 111315 Other CAP (candidate) MEP

 111400 RWF (Rasssemblement Wallonie France) (party as a whole)
 111405 Paul-Henry Gendebien
 111410 Other RWF national politician
 111415 Other RWF (candidate) MEP

 111500 Wallonie d'Abord (party as a whole)
 111505 Christian Haudegand
 111510 Other Wallonie d'Abord national politician
 111515 Other Wallonie d'Abord (candidate) MEP

 111600 PC (Parti Communiste – Gauche européenne) (party as a whole)
 111605 Pierre Eyben
 111610 Other PC national politician
 111615 Other PC (candidate) MEP

 111700 FN (Front National) (party as a whole)

111701 Daniel Huygens
 111702 Patrick Cocriamont
 111705 Jean-Pierre Borbouse
 111710 Other FN national politician
 111715 Other FN (candidate)

111800 CAP D'Orazio (Comité pour une autre politique) (party as a whole)
 111805 Ezio D'Orazio
 111810 Other CAP D'Orazio politician (national)
 111815 Other CAP D'Orazio (candidate) MEP

111900 PTB+ (Parti du travail de Belgique) (party as a whole)
 111905 Raoul Hedebouw
 111915 Other PTB+ national politician
 111915 Other PTB+ (candidate) MEP

112000 PVDA+ (Partij van de Arbeid) (party as a whole)
 112001 Peter Mertens
 112005 Chris Merckx
 112010 Other PVDA+ national politician
 112015 Other PVDA+ (candidate) MEP

112100 CSP (Christlich Soziale Partei) (party as a whole)
 112101 Herbert Grommes
 112105 Mathieu Grosch
 112110 Other CSP national politician
 112115 Other CSP (candidate) MEP

113000 Other BELGIAN (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole (unspecified in terms
 of Flemish or Walloon)
 113001 Other BELGIAN politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 (unspecified in terms of Flemish or Walloon)
 113002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a
 whole
 113003 BELGIAN (candidate) MEPs in general (unspecified in terms of Flemish
 or Walloon)
 113004 BELGIAN politicians in general (unspecified in terms of Flemish or
 Walloon)
 113100 Other FLEMISH (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 113101 Other FLEMISH politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 113102 FLEMISH opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a
 whole
 113103 FLEMISH (candidate) MEPs in general
 113104 FLEMISH politicians in general
 113200 Other WALLOON (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 113201 Other WALLOON politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)

- 113202 WALLOON opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 113203 WALLOON (candidate) MEPs in general
- 113204 WALLOON politicians in general

V. Non-political Actors

- 115000 National Central Bank
- 115001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 115002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 115003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 115004 Activists
- 115005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 115006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 115007 Thinktanks
- 115008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 115009 Experts
- 115010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 115011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 115012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 115013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 115014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 115015 Country's other non political actors

BULGARIA

Country code = 12

I. Government Members

- 120000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 120001 Sergey Stanishev (PM)
- 120002 Ivaylo Kalfin (EU)
- 120003 Daniel Vulchev
- 120004 Emel Toshkova
- 120005 Meglena Plugchieva
- 120006 Nikolai Tzonev
- 120007 Plamen Oresharski
- 120008 Mikail Mikov
- 120009 Miglena Tacheva
- 120010 Gergana Gruncharova
- 120011 Evgeni Zhelev
- 120012 Valeri Tcvetanov
- 120013 Emiliya Maslarova
- 120014 Petur Mutafchiev

120015 Petur Dimitrov
120016 Djevdet Chakarov
120017 Asen Gagauzov
120018 Stefan Danailov
120019 Nikolai Vasilev
120030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

120050 Georgi Parvanov (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

120100 BSP (Coalition for Bulgaria) (party as a whole)
120101 Angel Petrov Naydenov
120105 Ivalyo Kalfin
120110 Other BSP national politician
120115 Other BSP (candidate) MEP

120200 NDSV (party as a whole)
120201 Simeon Borisov Sakskoburggotski
120202 Plamen Nedelchev Mollov
120205 Meglena Kuleva
120210 Other NDSV national politician
120215 Other NDSV (candidate) MEP

120300 DPS (party as a whole)
120301 Ahmed Demir Dogan
120305 Filiz Chiusmenova
120310 Other DPS national politician
120315 Other DPS (candidate) MEP

120400 ATAKA (party as a whole)
120401 Volen Siderov
120405 Dimitar Stoyanov
120410 Other ATAKA national politician
120415 Other ATAKA (candidate) MEP

120500 GERB (party as a whole)
120501 Tsvetan Tsvetanov
120502 Boyko Borisov
120505 Romyana Tseleva
120510 Other GERB national politician
120515 Other GERB (candidate) MEP

120600 SDS-DSB (Siniata koalitsia) (party as a whole)
120601 Ivan Kostov
120605 Nadetsda Michailova

120610 Other SDS-DSB national politician
 120615 Other SDS-DSB (candidate) MEP

 120700 NAPRED (party as a whole)
 120701 Krasimir Karakachanov
 120710 Other NAPRED national politician
 120715 Other NAPRED (candidate) MEP

 120800 RZS (party as a whole)
 120801 Georgi Markov
 120802 Yane Yanev
 120805 Dimitar Abadtsiev
 120810 Other RZS national politician
 120815 Other RZS (candidate) MEP

 120900 LIDER (party as a whole)
 120905 Emil Koshlukov
 120915 Other LIDER (candidate) MEP

 121000 BND (Bulgarian New Democracy) (party as a whole)
 121001 Ahmed Demir Dogan
 121005 Filiz Chiusmenova
 121010 Other BND national politician
 121015 Other BND (candidate) MEP

 123000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 123001 Other Bulgarian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 123002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
 123003 Bulgarian (candidate) MEPs in general
 123004 Bulgarian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

125000 National Central Bank
 125001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
 125002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
 125003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
 125004 Activists
 125005 Police and military units (troops, army)
 125006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
 125007 Thinktanks
 125008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
 125009 Experts
 125010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
 125011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)

- 125012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 125013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 125014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups\
- 125015 Country's other non political actors

CYPRUS

Country code = 13

I. Government Members

- 130000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 130001 Michalis Polynikis
- 130002 Andonis Paschalides
- 130003 Nicos Nicolaides
- 130004 Costas Papacostas
- 130005 Andreas Demetriou
- 130006 Charliaos Stavrakis
- 130007 Markos Kyprianou (EU)
- 130008 Christos Patsalides
- 130009 Neoclis Sylikiotis
- 130010 Kypros Chrysostomides
- 130011 Soteroula Charalambous
- 130012 Athanasios Orphanides
- 130013 Andreas Kakouris
- 130014 Minas Hadjimichael
- 130030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

- 130050 Demetris Christofias (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

- 130100 AKEL (party as a whole)
- 130101 Andros Kyprianou
- 130105 Joseph Joseph
- 130110 Other AKEL national politician
- 130115 Other AKEL (candidate) MEP

- 130200 DISY (party as a whole)
- 130201 Nicos Anastasiades
- 130205 Ioannis Kasoulides
- 130210 Other DISY national politician
- 130215 Other DISY (candidate) MEP

- 130300 DI.KO (party as a whole)

130301	Marios Karoyian
130302	Tassos Papadopoulos
130305	Simos Angelides
130310	Other DI.KO national politician
130315	Other DI.KO (candidate) MEP
130400	EDEK (party as a whole)
130401	Yiannakis Omirou
130405	Dimitris Komodromos
130410	Other EDEK national politician
130415	Other EDEK (candidate) MEP
130500	KOP (Kinema Ekologon Perivallontesto) (Cypriot Greens) (party as a whole)
130501	George Perdikis
130510	Other KOP national politician (national)
130515	Other KOP (candidate) MEP
130600	EVROKO (party as a whole)
130601	Demetris Syllouris
130605	Nikos Koutsou
130610	Other EVROKO national politician
130615	Other EVROKO (candidate) MEP
130700	KEK (Kinima Epanenosis Kiprou) (party as a whole)
130710	KEK national politician
130715	KEP (candidate) MEP
130800	ELAM (party as a whole)
130810	ELAM national politician
130815	ELAM (candidate) MEP
133000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
133001	Other Cypriot politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
133002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
133003	Cypriot (candidate) MEPs in general
133004	Cypriot politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

135000	National Central Bank
135001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
135002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
135003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
135004	Activists

135005	Police and military units (troops, army)
135006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
135007	Thinktanks
135008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
135009	Experts
135010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
135011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
135012	Unidentified “inside” sources
135013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
135014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
135015	Country's other non political actors

CZECH REPUBLIC

Country code = 14

I. Government Members

140000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
140001	Jan Fischer (PM)
140002	Jan Kohout
140003	Martin Barták
140004	Eduard Janota
140005	Štefan Füle (EU)
140006	Martin Pecina
140007	Vladimír Tošovský
140008	Daniela Kovářová
140009	Petr Šimerka
140010	Gustáv Slamečka
140011	Jakub Šebesta
140012	Dana Jurásková
140013	Miroslava Kopicová
140014	Ladislav Miko
140015	Riedlbauch
140016	Rostislav Vondruška
140017	Michael Kocáb
140030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

140050	Vaclav Klaus (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

140100	ODS (party as a whole)
140101	Mirek Topolanek

140102	Petr Tluchor
140105	Jan Zahradil
140110	Other ODS national politician
140115	Other ODS (candidate) MEP
140200	CSSD (party as a whole)
140201	Jiri Paroubek
140202	Bohuslav Sobotka
140205	Jiří Havel
140210	Other CSSD national politician
140215	Other CSSD (candidate) MEP
140300	KSCM (party as a whole)
140301	Vojtech Filip
140302	Pavel Kovacic
140303	Miroslav Ransdorf
140310	Other KSCM national politician
140315	Other KSCM (candidate) MEP
140400	KDU-CSL (party as a whole)
140401	Jiri Cunek
140402	Cyril Svoboda
140405	Zuzana Roithová
140410	Other KDU-CSL national politician
140415	Other KDU-CSL (candidate) MEP
140500	SNK ED (party as a whole)
140501	Helmut Dohnalek
140510	Other SNK ED national politician
140515	SNK ED (candidate) MEP
140600	EDS (party as a whole)
140610	EDS national politician
140615	EDS (candidate) MEP
140700	SZ (party as a whole)
140701	Martin Bursik
140702	Premysl Rabas
140703	Jan Dusík
140710	Other SZ national politician
140715	Other SZ (candidate) MEP
140800	Nezavisli (party as a whole)
140810	Nezavisli national politician
140815	Nezavisli (candidate) MEP

140900	Strana svobodnych obcanu (party as a whole)
140905	Strana svobodnych obcanu national politician
140915	Strana svobodnych obcanu (candidate) MEP
141000	Libertas.cz (party as a whole)
141015	Libertas.cz (candidate) MEP
143000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
143001	Other Czech politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
143002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
143003	Czech (candidate) MEPs in general
143004	Czech politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

145000	National Central Bank
145001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
145002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
145003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
145004	Activists
145005	Police and military units (troops, army)
145006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
145007	Thinktanks
145008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
145009	Experts
145010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
145011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
145012	Unidentified “inside” sources
145013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
145014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
145015	Country's other non political actors

DENMARK

Country code = 15

I. Government Members

150000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
150001	Lars Løkke Rasmussen (PM)
150002	Bertel Haarder
150003	Birthe Rønn Hornbech

150004	Brian Mikkelsen
150005	Carina Christensen
150006	Claus Hjort Frederiksen
150007	Connie Hedegaard
150008	Eva Kjer Hansen
150009	Helge Sander
150010	Inger Støjberg
150011	Jakob Axel Nielsen
150012	Karen Ellemann
150013	Kristian Jensen
150014	Lene Espersen
150015	Per Stig Møller (EU)
150016	Søren Gade Jensen
150017	Troels Lund Poulsen
150018	Ulla Tørnes
150030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

150050	Queen Margarethe II
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

150100	Venstre (party as a whole)
150101	Hans Christian Schmidt
150105	Jens Rohde
150110	Other Venstre national politician
150115	Other Venstre (candidate) MEP
150200	Socialdemokratiet (party as a whole)
150201	Helle Thorning-Schmidt
150202	Carsten Hansen
150203	Frank Jensen
150205	Dan Jørgensen
150210	Other Socialdemokratiet national politician
150215	Other Socialdemokratiet (candidate) MEP
150300	Dansk Folkeparti (DF) (party as a whole)
150301	Pia Kjaersgaard
150302	Christian Thulesen Dahl
150305	Morten Messerschmidt
150310	Other DF national politician
150315	Other DF (candidate) MEP
150400	Socialistik Folkepartiet (SF) (party as a whole)
150401	Villy Sovndal
150405	Margrethe Auken
150410	Other SF national politician

- 150415 Other SF (candidate) MEP

- 150500 Det Konservative Folkepartiet (KF) (party as a whole)
- 150501 Lene Espersen
- 150502 Henriette Kjaer
- 150505 Bendt Bendtsen
- 150510 Other KF national politician
- 150515 Other KF (candidate) MEP

- 150600 Det Radikale Venstre (RV) (party as a whole)
- 150601 Søren Bald
- 150602 Margrethe Vestager
- 150605 Sofie Carsten Nielsen
- 150610 Other RV national politician
- 150615 Other RV (candidate) MEP

- 150700 Folkebevægelsen mod EU (party as a whole)
- 150705 Søren Søndergaard
- 150715 Folkebevægelsen (candidate) MEP

- 150800 JuniBevægelsen (party as a whole)
- 150805 Hanne Dahl
- 150815 JuniBevægelsen (candidate) MEP

- 150900 Liberal Alliance (LA) (party as a whole)
- 150901 Anders Samuelsen
- 150905 Benjamin Dickow
- 150910 LA national politician
- 150915 LA (candidate) MEP

- 153000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 153001 Other Danish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 153002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 153003 Danish (candidate) MEPs in general
- 153004 Danish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 155000 National Central Bank
- 155001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 155002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 155003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 155004 Activists
- 155005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 155006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 155007 Thinktanks

- 155008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 155009 Experts
- 155010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 155011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 155012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 155013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 155014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 155015 Country's other non political actors

ESTONIA

Country code = 16

I. Government Members

- 160000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 160001 Andrus Ansip (PM)
- 160002 Tõnis Lukas
- 160003 Urve Palo
- 160004 Vallo Reimaa
- 160005 Urmas Paet (EU)
- 160006 Maret Maripuu
- 160007 Jüri Pihl
- 160008 Ivari Padar
- 160009 Helir-Valdor Seeder
- 160010 Juhan Parts
- 160011 Laine Jänes
- 160012 Jaanus Tamkivi
- 160013 Jaak Aaviksoo
- 160014 Rein Lang
- 160030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

- 160050 Toomas Hendrik Ilves (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

- 160100 ER (Eesti Reformierakond) (party as a whole)
- 160101 Keit Pentus
- 160105 Kristiina Ojuland
- 160110 Other ER national politician
- 160115 Other ER (candidate) MEP

- 160200 IRL (Isamaa ja Res Publica Liit) (party as a whole)
- 160201 Mart Laar

160205	Tunne-Välto Kelam
160210	Other IRL national politician
160215	Other IRL (candidate) MEP
160300	SDE (Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond) (party as a whole)
160301	Eiki Nestor
160305	Ivari Padar
160310	Other SDE national politician
160315	Other SDE (candidate) MEP
160400	Eesti Keskerakond (EK) (party as a whole)
160401	Vilja Savisaar
160405	Edgar Savisaar
160410	Other EK national politician
160415	Other EK (candidate) MEP
160500	EER (Erakond Eestimaa Rohelised) (party as a whole)
160505	Marek Strandberg
160510	Other EER national politician
160515	Other EER (candidate) MEP
160600	ERL (Eestima Rahvaliid) (party as a whole)
160601	Karel Rüütli
160605	Anto Liivat
160610	Other ERL national politician
160615	Other ERL (candidate) MPE
160700	LEE (Libertas Eesti Erakond) (party as a whole)
160705	Jüri Heldur Estam
160715	LEE (candidate) MEP
160800	VEE (Vene Erakond Eestis) (party as a whole)
160805	Stanislav Tserepanov
160810	Other VEE national politician
160815	Other VEE (candidate) MEP
160900	Pollumeeste Kogu (PK) (party as a whole)
160905	Mart-Olav Niklus
160910	Other PK national politician
160915	Other PK (candidate) MEP
161000	EUVP (Eestimaa Uhendatud Vasakpartei) (party as a whole)
161005	Georgi Bostrov
161010	Other EUVP national politician
161015	Other EUVP (candidate) MEP

161100	EKD (Eesti Kristlikud Demokraadid) (party as a whole)
161105	Peeter Vosu
161110	Other EKD national politician
161115	Other EKD (candidate) MEP
161205	Indrek Tarand (independent candidate)
163000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
163001	Other Estonian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
163002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
163003	Estonian (candidate) MEPs in general
163004	Estonian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

165000	National Central Bank
165001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
165002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
165003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
165004	Activists
165005	Police and military units (troops, army)
165006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
165007	Thinktanks
165008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
165009	Experts
165010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
165011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
165012	Unidentified “inside” sources
165013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
165014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
165015	Country's other non political actors

FINLAND

Country code = 17

I. Government Members

170000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
170001	Matti Vanhanen (PM)
170002	Jyrki Katainen
170003	Alexander Stubb (EU)
170004	Paavo Väyrynen

170005	Tuija Brax
170006	Anne Holmlund
170007	Astrid Thors
170008	Jyri Häkämies
170009	Mari Kiviniemi
170010	Henna Virkkunen
170011	Stefan Wallin
170012	Sirkka-Liisa Anttila
170013	Anu Vehviläinen
170014	Suvi Lindén
170015	Mauri Pekkarinen
170016	Liisa Hyssälä
170017	Paula Risikko
170018	Tarja Cronberg
170019	Paula Lehtomäki
170020	Jan Vapaavuori
170030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

170050	Tarja Halonen (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

170100	KESK (Suomen Keskusta) (party as a whole)
170101	Timo Kalli
170105	Anneli Jäätteenmäki
170110	Other KESK national politician
170115	Other KESK (candidate) MEP
170200	KOK (Kansallinen Kokoomus) (party as a whole)
170201	Jyrki Katainen
170202	Pekka Ravi
170205	Ville Itälä
170210	Other KOK national politician
170215	Other KOK (candidate) MEP
170300	SDP (Suomen Sosialidemokraattinen Puolue) (party as a whole)
170301	Jutta Urpilainen
170302	Tarja Filatov
170305	Liisa Jaakonsaari
170310	Other SDP national politician
170315	Other SDP (candidate) MEP
170400	Vasemmistoliitto (VAS) (party as a whole)
170401	Martti Korhonen
170405	Annika Lapintie

170410 Other VAS national politician
 170415 Other VAS (candidate) MEP

170500 Vihreä Liitto (VIHR) (party as a whole)
 170501 Tarja Cronberg
 170502 Anni Sinnemäki
 170505 Heidi Hautala
 170510 Other VIHR national politician
 170515 Other VIHR (candidate) MEP

170600 RKP/SFP (Ruotsalainen Kansanpuolue/Svenska Folkepartiet i Finland)
 (party as a whole)
 170601 Ulla-Maj Winderöos
 170605 Carl Haglund
 170610 Other RKP/SFP national politician
 170615 Other RKP/SFP (candidate) MEP

170700 Vaaliliitossa / I Valförbund (KD-PS) (party as a whole)
 170701 Päivi Räsänen (KD)
 170702 Bjarne Kallis (KD)
 170703 Timo Soini (PS)
 170704 Raimo Vistbacka (PS)
 170705 Sari Essayah (KD)
 170706 Timo Soini (PS)
 170710 Other KD-PS national politician
 170715 Other KD-PS (candidate) MEP

170800 Köyhien Asialla (KA) (party as a whole)
 170810 KA national politician
 170815 KA (candidate) MEP

170900 STP (Suomen Työväenpuolue) (party as a whole)
 170910 STP national politician
 170915 STP (candidate) MEP

171000 SKP (Suomen Kommunistinen Puolue) (party as a whole)
 171010 SKP national politician
 171015 SKP (candidate) MEP

171100 SSP (Suomen Senioripuolue) (party as a whole)
 171110 SSP national politician
 171115 SSP (candidate) MEP

171200 Itsenäisyyspuolue (party as a whole)
 171210 Itsenäisyyspuolue national politician
 171215 Itsenäisyyspuolue (candidate) MEP

- 173000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 173001 Other Finnish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 173002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 173003 Finnish (candidate) MEPs in general
- 173004 Finnish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 175000 National Central Bank
- 175001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 175002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 175003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 175004 Activists
- 175005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 175006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 175007 Thinktanks
- 175008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 175009 Experts
- 175010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 175011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 175012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 175013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 175014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 175015 Country's other non political actors

FRANCE

Country code = 18

I. Government Members

- 180000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 180001 François Fillon (PM)
- 180002 Jean-Louis Borloo
- 180003 Michèle Alliot-Marie
- 180004 Bernard Kouchner
- 180005 Christine Lagarde
- 180006 Brice Hortefeux
- 180007 Rachida Dati
- 180008 Michel Barnier
- 180009 Patrick Devedjian
- 180010 Xavier Darcos
- 180011 Valérie Pécresse

180012	Hervé Morin
180013	Roselyne Bachelot-Narquin
180014	Christine Boutin
180015	Christine Albanel
180016	André Santini
180017	Eric Besson
180018	Jean-Pierre Jouyet (EU)
180030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

180050	Nicolas Sarkozy (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

180100	UMP+NC (Union pour un mouvement populaire) (party as a whole)
180101	Jean-Francois Copé (UMP)
180102	Hervé Morin (NC)
180103	Xavier Bertrand (UMP)
180104	Francois Sauvadet (NC)
180105	Joseph Daul (UMP)
180106	Michel Barnier (UMP)
180107	Jean-Pierre Audy (UMP)
180108	Dominique Riquet (UMP)
180109	Marie-Luce Penchard (UMP)
180111	Francoise Grossetete (UMP)
180112	Dominique Baudis (UMP)
180113	Christophe Béchu (UMP)
180110	Other UMP+NC national politician
180115	Other UMP+NC (candidate) MEP
180200	PS (Parti Socialiste) (party as a whole)
180201	Jean-Marc Ayrault (Socialiste, Radicale, Citoyen et diverse Gauche)
180202	Martine Aubry (PS)
180203	Ségolène Royal (PS)
180205	Catherine Trautmann (PS)
180206	Harlem Désir (PS)
180207	Henri Weber (PS)
180208	Gilles Pargneaux (PS)
180209	Erika Bareigts (PS)
180211	Vincent Peillon (PS)
180212	Kader Arif (PS)
180213	Bernadette Vergnaud (PS)
180210	Other PS national politician
180215	Other PS (candidate) MEP
180300	MoDem (Mouvement Démocrate) (party as a whole)
180301	Francois Bayrou (MoDem)

180305 Jean-Francois Kahn (MoDem)
 180306 Marielle de Sarnez (MoDem)
 180307 Jean-Marie Beaupuy (MoDem)
 180308 Corinne Lepage (MoDem)
 180309 Jean-Luc Bennahmias (MoDem)
 180311 Robert Rochefort (MoDem)
 180312 Sylvie Goulard (MoDem)
 180310 Other MoDem national politician
 180315 Other MoDem (candidate) MEP

180400 Europe Ecologie (Verts) (party as a whole)
 180401 Cecile Duflot (Verts)
 180405 Sandrine Béliet (Europe Écologie)
 180406 Daniel Cohn-Bendit (Europe Écologie)
 180407 Jean-Paul Basset (Europe Écologie)
 180408 H  l  ne Flautre (Europe   cologie)
 180409 Harry Durimel (Europe   cologie)
 180411 Mich  le Rivasi (Europe   cologie)
 180412 Jos   Bov   (Europe   cologie)
 180413 Yannick Jadot (Europe   cologie)
 180410 Other Europe Ecologie (Verts) national politician
 180415 Other Europe Ecologie (Verts) (candidate) MEP

180500 Front de Gauche (Parti communiste fran  ais+Parti de gauche) (party as a whole)
 180501 Jean-Claude Sandrier (Gauche D  mocrate et R  publicaine)
 180502 Marie-George Buffet (PCF)
 180505 H  l  ne Franco (FG)
 180506 Patrick le Hyaric (FG)
 180507 Marie-France Beaufils (FG)
 180508 Jacky H  nin (FG)
 180509 Marie-Christine Vergiat (FG)
 180511 Jean-Luc M  lenchon (FG)
 180512 Jacques G  n  reux (FG)
 180510 Other Front de Gauche national politician
 180515 Other Front de Gauche (candidate) MEP

180600 Libertas (Libertas+MPF+CPNT) (party as a whole)
 180605 Christophe Beaudouin (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180606 J  rome Riv  re (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180607 V  ronique Goncalv  s (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180608 Fr  d  ric Nihous (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180609 Erika Kuttner-Perreau (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180611 Partick Louis (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180612 Eddie Puyjalon (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)
 180613 Philippe de Villiers (MPF-CPNT-Libertas)

180610 Other MPF-CPNT-Libertas national politician
180615 Other Libertas (candidate) MEP

180700 Front National (FN) (party as a whole)
180705 Jean-Michel Dubois (FN)
180706 Patrick Bourson (FN)
180707 Marine Le Pen (FN)
180708 Jean-Marie Le Pen (FN)
180709 Louis Aliot (FN)
180711 Brigitte Neveux (FN)
180710 Other FN national politician
180715 Other FN (candidate) MEP

180800 Debout la République (party as a whole)
180810 Debout la République national politician
180815 Debout la République (candidate) MEP

180900 NPA (Nouveau parti anticapitaliste/Pas question de payer leur crise) (party as a whole)
180901 Olivier Besancenot (NPA)
180910 Other NPA national politician
180915 Other NPA (candidate) MEP

181000 Lutte Ouvriere (LO) (party as a whole)
181001 Arlette Laguiller (LO)
181010 Other LO national politician
181015 Other LO (candidate) MEP

181100 Newropeans (party as a whole)
181115 Newropeans (candidate) MEP

181200 Alliance des Outremers (party as a whole)
181205 Elie Horau
181215 Other Alliance des Outremers (candidate) MEP

183000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
183001 Other French politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
183002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
183003 French (candidate) MEPs in general
183004 French politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

185000 National Central Bank
185001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
185002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)

185003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
185004	Activists
185005	Police and military units (troops, army)
185006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
185007	Thinktanks
185008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
185009	Experts
185010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
185011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
185012	Unidentified “inside” sources
185013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
185014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
185015	Country's other non political actors

GERMANY

Country code = 19

I. Government Members

190000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
190001	Angela Merkel (Chancellor)
190002	Frank-Walter Steinmeier (EU)
190003	Wolfgang Schäuble
190004	Brigitte Zypries
190005	Peer Steinbrück
190006	Karl-Theodor Freiherr zu Guttenberg
190007	Olaf Scholz
190008	Ilse Aigner
190009	Franz Josef Jung
190010	Ursula von der Leyen
190011	Ulla Schmidt
190012	Wolfgang Tiefensee
190013	Sigmar Gabriel
190014	Annette Schavan
190015	Heidemarie Wieczorek-Zeul
190016	Thomas de Maizière
190030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

190050	Horst Köhler (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

190100	CDU (Christlich Demokratische Union Deutschlands) (party as a whole)
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190101	Volker Kauder
190105	Reimer Böge
190106	Elmar Heinrich Brok
190107	Carl Daniel Maria Kaune
190108	Dieter-L. Koch
190109	Werner Kuhn
190111	Werner Langen
190112	Thomas Mann
190113	Doris Pack
190114	Hans-Gert Pöttering
190116	Kurt Oswald Schnellhardt
190117	Birgit Schnieber-Jastram
190118	Rainer Wieland
190119	Hermann Winkler
190120	Joachim Zeller
190110	Other CDU national politician
190115	Other CDU (candidate) MEP
190200	CSU (Christlich-Soziale Union in Bayern) (party as a whole)
190201	Horst Seehofer
190205	Markus Ferber
190210	Other CSU national politician
190215	Other CSU (candidate) MEP
190300	SPD (Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands) (party as a whole)
190301	Franz Muntefering
190302	Frank-Walter Steinmeier
190303	Peter Struck
190305	Martina Schulz
190310	Other SPD national politician
190315	Other SPD (candidate) MEP
190400	FDP (Freie Demokratische Partei) (party as a whole)
190401	Guido Westerwelle
190405	Silvana Koch-Mehrin
190410	Other FDP national politician
190415	Other FDP (candidate) MEP
190500	Grünen (party as a whole)
190501	Cem Ozdemir
190502	Claudia Roth
190503	Renate Kuenast
190504	Fritz Kuhn
190505	Rebecca Harms
190510	Other Grünen national politician
190515	Other Grünen (candidate) MEP

190600	Die Linke (party as a whole)
190601	Oskar Lafontaine
190602	Gregor Gysi
190605	Lothar Bisky
190610	Other Die Linke national politician
190615	Other Die Linke (candidate) MEP
190700	Die Tierschutzpartei (Tierschutz) (party as a whole)
190710	Tierschutz national politician
190715	Tierschutz (candidate) MEP
190800	Die Republikaner (REP) (party as a whole)
190810	REP national politician
190815	REP (candidate) MEP
190900	Familie (party as a whole)
190910	Familie national politician
190915	Familie (candidate) MEP
191000	Die Frauen (party as a whole)
191010	Die Frauen national politician
191015	Die Frauen (candidate) MEP
191100	PBC (party as a whole)
191110	PBC national politician
191115	PBC (candidate) MEP
193000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
193001	Other German politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
193002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
193003	German (candidate) MEPs in general
193004	German politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

195000	National Central Bank
195001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
195002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
195003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
195004	Activists
195005	Police and military units (troops, army)
195006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
195007	Thinktanks
195008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)

195009	Experts
195010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
195011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
195012	Unidentified “inside” sources
195013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
195014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
195015	Country's other non political actors

GREECE

Ccountry code = 20

I. Government Members

200000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
200001	Kostas Karamanlis (PM)
200002	Prokopis Pavlopoulos
200003	Giannis Papathanasiou
200004	Dora Bakoyannis (EU)
200005	Vangelis Meimarakis
200006	Kostis Hatzidakis
200007	Georgios Souflias
200008	Aris Spiliotopoulos
200009	Fani Palli-Petralia
200010	Dimitris Avramopoulos
200011	Sotirios Hatzigakis
200012	Nikos Dendias
200013	Antonis Samaras
200014	Kostas Markopoulos
200015	Evrpidis Stylianidis
200016	Anastasios Papaligouras
200017	Stavros Kalafatis
200018	Prokopis Pavlopoulos
200030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

200050	Karolos Papoulias (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

200100	Nea Dimocracia (party as a whole)
200105	Mariori Giannakou
200110	Other Nea Dimocracia national politician
200115	Other Nea Dimocracia (candidate) MEP

200200	PASOK (party as a whole)
200201	George Papandreou Jr.
200205	Georgios Pattakonstantinou
200210	Other PASOK national politician
200215	Other PASOK (candidate) MEP
200300	KKE (party as a whole)
200301	Aleka Pappariga
200305	Thanasis Panafilis
200310	Other KKE national politician
200315	Other KKE (candidate) MEP
200400	Syriza (party as a whole)
200401	Alekos Alavanos
200405	Nikos Chountis
200410	Other Syriza national politician
200415	Other Syriza (candidate) MEP
200500	LAOS (party as a whole)
200501	Georgios Karatzaferis
200505	Niki Tzabella
200510	Other LAOS national politician
200515	Other LAOS (candidate) MEP
200600	Oikologoi Prassinou (OP) (party as a whole)
200605	Michalis Tremottoulos
200610	Other OP national politician
200615	Other OP (candidate) MEP
200700	Fileleftheri Symmaia (FS) (party as a whole)
200710	FS national politician
200715	FS (candidate) MEP
200800	Enossi Kendroon (EK) (party as a whole)
200810	EK national politician
200815	EK (candidate) MEP
203000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
203001	Other Greek politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
203002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
203003	Greek (candidate) MEPs in general
203004	Greek politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

205000	National Central Bank
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205001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
205002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
205003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
205004	Activists
205005	Police and military units (troops, army)
205006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
205007	Thinktanks
205008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
205009	Experts
205010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
205011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
205012	Unidentified “inside” sources
205013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
205014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
205015	Country's other non-political actors

HUNGARY

Country code = 21

I. Government Members

210000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
210001	Gordon Bajnai (PM)
210002	Balázs Péter (EU)
210003	Draskovics Tibor
210004	Ficsor Ádám
210005	Gráf József
210006	Herczog László
210007	Hiller István
210008	Hónig Péter
210009	Kiss Péter
210010	Molnár Csaba
210011	Oszkó Péter
210012	Szabó Imre
210013	Székely Tamás
210014	Szekeres Imre
210015	Varga Zoltán
210030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

210050	Laszlo Solyom (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

210100	MSZP (party as a whole)
210101	Ildiko Lendvai
210102	Attila Mesterhazy
210105	Kinga Göncz
210110	Other MSZP national politician
210115	Other MSZP (candidate) MEP
210200	FIDESZ – KDNP (party as a whole)
210201	Viktor Orban (Fidesz)
210202	Tibor Navracsics (Fidesz)
210203	Zsolt Semjen (KDNP)
210205	Pál Schmit (Fidesz-KDNP)
210210	Other FIDESZ – KDNP national politician
210215	Other FIDESZ – KDNP (candidate) MEP
210300	SzDSz (party as a whole)
210301	Gabor Fodor
210302	Janos Koka
210305	István Szent-Iványi
210310	Other SzDSz national politician
210315	Other SzDSz (candidate) MEP
210400	MDF (party as a whole)
210401	Ibolya David
210405	Lajos Bokros
210410	Other MDF national politician
210415	Other MDF (candidate) MEP
210500	Jobbik (party as a whole)
210501	Gabor Vona
210505	Krisztina Morvai
210510	Other Jobbik national politician
210515	Other Jobbik (candidate) MEP
210600	Lehet más a politika! (LMP-HP) (party as a whole)
210610	LMP-HP national politician
210615	LMP-HP (candidate) MEP
213000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
213001	Other Hungarian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
213002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
213003	Hungarian (candidate) MEPs in general
213004	Hungarian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

215000	National Central Bank
215001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
215002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
215003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
215004	Activists
215005	Police and military units (troops, army)
215006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
215007	Thinktanks
215008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
215009	Experts
215010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
215011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
215012	Unidentified “inside” sources
215013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
215014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
215015	Country's other non political actors

IRELAND

Country code = 22

I. Government Members

220000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
220001	Brian Cowen (Taoiseach)
220002	Brendan Smith
220003	Willie O'Dea
220004	Mary Coughlan
220005	John Gormley
220006	Brian Lenihan, Jnr
220007	Micheál Martin (EU)
220008	Dermot Ahern
220009	Eamon Ryan
220010	Batt O'Keeffe
220011	Mary Harney
220012	Mary Hanafin
220013	Éamon Ó Cuív
220014	Noel Dempsey
220015	Martin Cullen
220030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

220050	Mary McAleese (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

220100	Fianna Fail (FF) (party as a whole)
220105	Eibhlin Byrne
220106	Eoin Ryan
220107	Liam Aylward
220108	Thomas Byrne
220109	Pat “The Cope” Gallagher
220111	Paschal Canice Mooney
220112	Brian Crowley
220113	Ned O’Keeffe
220110	Other FF national politician
220115	Other FF (candidate) MEP
220200	Fine Gael (FG) (party as a whole)
220201	Enda Kenny
220205	Gay Mitchell
220206	Mairead McGuinness
220207	John Paul Phelan
220208	Jim Higgins
220209	Joe O’Reilly
220211	Colm Burke
220212	Sean Kelly
220210	Other FG national politician
220215	Other FG (candidate) MEP
220300	The Labour Party (Labour) (party as a whole)
220301	Eamon Gilmore
220305	Proinsias De Rossa
220306	Nessa Childers
220307	Susan O’Keeffe
220308	Alan Kelly
220310	Other Labour national politician
220315	Other Labour (candidate) MEP
220400	Sinn Fein (SF) (party as a whole)
220401	Gerry Adams
220405	Mary Lou Mc Donald
220406	Kathleen Funchion
220407	Tomás Sharkey
220408	Pádraig Mac Lochlainn
220409	Toireasa Ferris
220410	Other SF national politician
220415	Other SF (candidate) MEP
220500	Green Party/Comhaontas Glas (GP) (party as a whole)
220501	John Gormley

220505 Déirdre De Búrca
 220506 Dan Boyle
 220510 Other GP national politician
 220515 Other GP (candidate) MEP

 220600 The Socialist Party (SP) (party as a whole)
 220605 Joe Higgins
 220610 Other SP national politician
 220615 Other SP (candidate) MEP

 220700 Libertas (party as a whole)
 220705 Declan Ganley
 220706 Caroline Simons
 220707 Raymond O'Malley
 220715 Other Libertas (candidate) MEP

 220805 Marian Harkin (Independent)

 223000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 223001 Other Irish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 223002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
 223003 Irish (candidate) MEPs in general
 223004 Irish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

225000 National Central Bank
 225001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
 225002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
 225003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
 225004 Activists
 225005 Police and military units (troops, army)
 225006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
 225007 Thinktanks
 225008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
 225009 Experts
 225010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
 225011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
 225012 Unidentified “inside” sources
 225013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
 225014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
 225015 Country's other non political actors

ITALY

Country code = 23

I. Government Members

230000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
230001	Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi
230002	Gianni Letta
230003	Franco Frattini (EU)
230004	Roberto Maroni
230005	Giulio Tremonti
230006	Ignazio La Russa
230007	Angelino Alfano
230008	Claudio Scajola
230009	Luca Zaia
230010	Mariastella Gelmini
230011	Maurizio Sacconi
230012	Altero Matteoli
230013	Stefania Prestigiacomo
230014	Sandro Bondi
230015	Andrea Ronchi
230016	Umberto Bossi
230017	Elio Vito
230018	Renato Brunetta
230019	Roberto Calderoli
230020	Raffaele Fitto
230021	Gianfranco Rotondi
230022	Mara Carfagna
230023	Giorgia Meloni
230030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

230050	Giorgio Napolitano (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

230100	Popolo della Liberta (PdL) (party as a whole)
230101	Fabrizio Cicchitto
230105	Silvio Berlusconi
230106	Ignazio la Russa
230107	Alberto Balboni
230108	Roberta Angelilli
230109	Salvatore Tatarella
230111	Maddalena Calia
230110	Other PdL national politician
230115	Other PdL (candidate) MEP

230200	UDC (party as a whole)
230201	Pier Ferdinando Casini
230205	Magdi Cristiano Allam
230206	Gian Luigi Gigli
230207	Carlo Casini
230208	Luigi Ciriaco de Mita
230209	Saverio Romano
230210	Other UDC national politician
230215	Other UDC (candidate) MEP
230300	Partito Democratico (PD) (party as a whole)
230301	Dario Franceschini
230302	Antonello Soro
230305	Sergio Cofferati
230306	Luigi Berlinguer
230307	David Sassoli
230308	Paolo De Castro
230309	Rita Borsellino
230310	Other PD national politician
230315	Other PD (candidate) MEP
230400	Sinistra e Liberta (party as a whole)
230401	Umberto Guidoni
230402	Grazia Francescato
230403	Riccardo Nencini
230405	Monica Frassoni
230406	Lisa Clark
230407	Giuliana Sgrena
230408	Nichi Vendola
230410	Other SD, PS, Verdi, MdS, or Unire la Sinistra national politician
230415	Other Sinistra e Liberta (candidate) MEP
230500	PdCI-PRC-S2000-CU (party as a whole)
230501	Fausto Bertinotti
230505	Vittorio Emanuele Agnoletto
230506	Lidia Menapace
230507	Oliviero Diliberto
230508	Margherita Hack
230510	Other PdCI, PRC, S2000, or CU national politician
230515	Other PdCI-PRC-S2000-CU (candidate) MEP
230600	Lega Nord (party as a whole)
230601	Roberto Cota
230602	Angelo Alessandri
230605	Umberto Bossi
230610	Other Lega Nord national politician

- 230615 Other Lega Nord (candidate) MEP
- 230700 Fiamma Tricolore-Destra Sociale (party as a whole)
- 230705 Roberto Salerno
- 230706 Roberto Bevilacqua
- 230707 Luca Romagnoli
- 230708 Francesco Nicola Condorelli Caff
- 230710 Fiamma Tricolore or Destra Sociale national politician
- 230715 Other Fiamma Tricolore-Destra Sociale (candidate) MEP
- 230800 Polo dell'Autonomia (party as a whole)
- 230805 Alberto Arrighi
- 230810 MPA, La Destra, Partito Pensionati or AdC national politician
- 230815 Other Polo dell'Autonomia (candidate) MEP
- 230900 Italia dei Valori-Lista di Pietro (party as a whole)
- 230901 Massimo Donadi
- 230905 Antonio di Pietro
- 230906 Sonia Alfano
- 230907 Carlo Bulletti
- 230908 Luigi de Magistris
- 230909 Luigi Ferrante
- 230911 Gustavo Franchetto
- 230912 Carlo Vulpio
- 230913 Gianni Vattimo
- 230910 Other Italia dei Valori-Lista di Pietro national politician
- 230915 Other Italia dei Valori-Lista di Pietro (candidate) MEP
- 231000 Südtiroler Volkspartei (SVP) (party as a whole)
- 231001 Siegfried Brugger
- 231005 Herbert Dorfmann
- 231010 Other SVP national politician
- 231015 Other SVP (candidate) MEP
- 233000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 233001 Other Italian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 233002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 233003 Italian (candidate) MEPs in general
- 233004 Italian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 235000 National Central Bank
- 235001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 235002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 235003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)

235004	Activists
235005	Police and military units (troops, army)
235006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
235007	Thinktanks
235008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
235009	Experts
235010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
235011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
235012	Unidentified “inside” sources
235013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
235014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
235015	Country's other non political actors

LATVIA

Country code = 24

I. Government Members

240000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
240001	Prime Minister Valdis Dombrovskis
240002	Imants Viesturs Liegis
240003	Maris Riekstinš (EU)
240004	Valdis Dombrovskis
240005	Artis Kampars
240006	Einars Repše
240007	Linda Murniece
240008	Tatjana Koke
240009	Ints Dalderis
240010	Uldis Augulis
240011	Edgars Zalans
240012	Kaspars Gerhards
240013	Mareks Seglinš
240014	Ivars Eglitis
240015	Raimonds Vejonis
240030	Janis Duklavs

II. Head of State

240050	Valdis Zatlers (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

240100	Tautas Partija (TP) (party as a whole)
240101	Maris Kucinskis
240105	Vytautas Landsbergis

240110	Other TP national politician
240115	Other TP (candidate) MEP
240200	Jaunais Laiks (JL) (party as a whole)
240201	Dzintars Zakis
240205	Krišjānis Arturs Kariņš
240210	Other JL national politician
240215	Other JL (candidate) MEP
240300	Tēvzemei un Brīvībai /LNNK (party as a whole)
240301	Māris Grīnblats
240305	Roberts Zīle
240310	Other TK/LNNK national politician
240315	Other TK/LNNK (candidate) MEP
240400	PCTVL (party as a whole)
240401	Jakovs Pliners
240402	Juris Sokolovskis
240403	Tatjana Arkadevna Ždanoka
240405	Tatjana Ždanoka
240410	Other PCTVL national politician
240415	Other PCTVL (candidate) MEP
240500	Pilsoniskā Savienība (PS) (party as a whole)
240501	Anna Seile
240505	Sandra Kalniete
240510	Other PS national politician
240515	Other PS (candidate) MEP
240600	LPP-LC (Latvijas Pirma Partija - Latvijas Ceļš) (party as a whole)
240601	Andris Berzins
240605	Ivars Godmanis
240610	Other LPP-LC national politician
240615	Other LPP-LC (candidate) MEP
240700	LSDSP (Latvijas Sociāldemokrātiska Stradnieku Partija) (party as a whole)
240705	Atis Lejiņš
240710	Other LSDSP national politicians
240715	Other LSDSP (candidate) MEP
240800	Ricibas Partija (RP) party as a whole
240805	Normunds Grostiņš
240810	Other RP national politician
240815	Other RP (candidate) MEP
240900	Saskanas Centrs (SC) (party as a whole)

240901	Nils Ušakovs
240905	Alfrēds Rubkis
240910	Other SC national politician
240915	Other SC (candidate) MEP
241000	Libertas.lv (party as a whole)
241005	Guntars Krasts
241015	Other Libertas (candidate) MEP
241100	ZZS (Zaļo un Zemnieku Savienība) (party as a whole)
241101	Augusts Birgmanis
241105	Baiba Rivža
241110	Other ZZS national politicians
241115	Other ZZS (candidate) MEP
241200	SCP (Sabiedriba Citai Politikai) (party as a whole)
241205	Georgs Andrejevs
241210	Other SCP national politician
241215	Other SCP (candidate) MEP
241300	Visu Latvijai! (VL) (party as a whole)
241305	Visvaldis Lācis
241310	Other VL national politician
241315	Other VL (candidate) MEP
241400	Par Dzimteni! (party as a whole)
241405	Jurijs Žuravļovs
241410	Other Par Dzimteni! national politician
241415	Other Par Dzimteni! (candidate) MEP
241500	Osipova partija (Op) (party as a whole)
241505	Garijs Poļskis
241510	Other Op national politician
241515	Other Op (candidate) MEP
241600	Latvijas Atdzimsanas partija (LAp) (party as a whole)
241605	Silvestrs Rubins
241610	Other Lap national politician
241615	Other Lap (candidate) MEP
241700	Kristīgi demokrātiska savienība (Kds) (party as a whole)
241705	Lucija Silvija Līmane
241710	Other Kds national politician
241715	Other Kds (candidate) MEP
243000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole

- 243001 Other Latvian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 243002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 243003 Latvian (candidate) MEPs in general
- 243004 Latvian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 245000 National Central Bank
- 245001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 245002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 245003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 245004 Activists
- 245005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 245006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 245007 Thinktanks
- 245008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 245009 Experts
- 245010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 245011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 245012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 245013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 245014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 245015 Country's other non political actors

LITHUANIA

Country code = 25

I. Government Members

- 250000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 250001 Prime Minister Andrius Kubilius
- 250002 Remigijus Šimašius
- 250003 Gintaras Steponavičius
- 250004 Algis Čaplikas
- 250005 Vygaudas Ušackas
- 250006 Rasa Juknevičienė
- 250007 Gediminas Kazlauskas
- 250008 Eligijus Masiulis
- 250009 Algirdas Gediminas Šemeta
- 250010 Raimundas Palaitis
- 250011 Rimantas Jonas Dagys
- 250012 Dainius Kreivys
- 250013 Saulius Saltėnis

250014 Kazimira Danutė Prunskienė
250015 Žygimantas Pavilionis (EU)
250030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

250050 Valdas Adamkus (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

250100 Tėvynės Sąjunga (TS-LKD) (party as a whole)

250101 Jurgis Razma

250105 Rihards Pīks

250110 Other TS-LKD national politician

250115 Other TS-LKD (candidate) MEP

250200 LSDP (Lietuvos socialdemokratų partija) (party as a whole)

250201 Zigmantas Balčytis

250205 Vilija Blinkevičiūtė

250210 Other LSDP national politician

250215 Other LSDP (candidate) MEP

250300 Darbo partija (DP) (party as a whole)

250301 Viktor Uspaskich

250310 Other DP national politician

250315 Other DP (candidate) MEP

250400 LRLS (Lietuvos Respublikos Liberalų Sąjūdis) (party as a whole)

250401 Audrius Endzinas

250402 Eligijus Masiulis

250403 Tatjana Arkadevna Ždanoka

250405 Leonidas Donskis

250410 Other LRLS national politician

250415 Other LRLS (candidate) MEP

250500 LVLS (Lietuvos valstiečių liaudininkų sąjunga) (party as a whole)

250505 Gintaras Didžiokas

250510 Other LVLS national politician

250515 Other LVLS (candidate) MEP

250600 LiCS (Liberalų ir Centro Sąjunga) (party as a whole)

250601 Artūras Zuokas

250610 Other LiCS national politician

250615 Other LiCS (candidate) MEP

250700 Partija "Tvarka ir teisingumas" (TT) (party as a whole)

250701 Valentinas Mazuronis

250705 Rolandas Paksas

250710	Other TT national politician
250715	Other TT (candidate) MEP
250800	TPP (Tautos Prisikėlimo Partija (TPP) (party as a whole)
250801	Laimontas Dinius
250805	Saulius Stoma
250810	Other TPP national politician
250815	Other TPP (candidate) MEP
250900	LLRA/AWPL (Lietuvos lenku rinkimu akcija) (party as a whole)
250905	Valdemar Tomaševski
250910	Other LLRA/AWPL national politician
250915	Other LLRA/AWPL (candidate) MEP
253000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
253001	Other Lithuanian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
253002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
253003	Lithuanian (candidate) MEPs in general
253004	Lithuanian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

255000	National Central Bank
255001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
255002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
255003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
255004	Activists
255005	Police and military units (troops, army)
255006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
255007	Thinktanks
255008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
255009	Experts
255010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
255011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
255012	Unidentified “inside” sources
255013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
255014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
255015	Country's other non political actors

LUXEMBOURG

Country code = 26

I. Government Members

260000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
260001	Jean-Claude Juncker (PM)
260002	Jean Asselborn (EU)
260003	Fernand Boden
260004	Marie-Josée Jacobs
260005	Mady Delvaux-Stehres
260006	Luc Frieden
260007	François Biltgen
260008	Jeannot Krecké
260009	Mars Di Bartolomeo
260010	Lucien Lux
260011	Jean-Marie Halsdorf
260012	Claude Wiseler
260013	Jean-Louis Schiltz
260014	Nicolas Schmit
260030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

260050	Grand Duke Henri
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

260100	CSV (party as a whole)
260101	Francois Biltgen
260102	Michel Wolter
260105	Viviane Reding
260110	Other CSV national politician
260115	Other CSV (candidate) MEP
260200	LSAP (party as a whole)
260201	Jean Asselborn
260202	Ben Fayot
260203	Alex Bodry
260205	Robert Goebbels
260210	Other LSAP national politician
260215	Other LSAP (candidate) MEP
260300	DP (party as a whole)
260301	Claude Meisch
260305	Charles Goerens
260310	Other DP national politician
260315	Other DP (candidate) MEP
260400	Déi Gréng (party as a whole)
260401	Tilly Metz
260402	François Bausch

260403	Carlo de Toffoli
260405	Claude Turmes
260410	Other Déi Gréng national politician
260415	Other Déi Gréng (candidate) MEP
260500	ADR (party as a whole)
260501	Robert Mehlen
260502	Gaston Gibéryen
260505	Jean Colombera
260510	Other ADR national politician
260515	Other ADR (candidate) MEP
260600	Déi Lénk (party as a whole)
260605	Andre Hoffmann
260610	Other Déi Lénk national politician
260615	Other Déi Lénk (candidate) MEP
260700	KPL (party as a whole)
260705	Ali Ruckert
260710	Other KPL national politician
260715	Other KPL (candidate) MEP
260800	Bierger Lescht (party as a whole)
260805	Aly Jaerling
260810	Other Bierger Lescht national politician
260815	Other Bierger Lescht (candidate) MEP
263000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
263001	Other Luxembourgish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
263002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
263003	Luxembourgish (candidate) MEPs in general
263004	Luxembourgish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

265000	National Central Bank
265001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
265002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
265003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
265004	Activists
265005	Police and military units (troops, army)
265006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
265007	Thinktanks
265008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
265009	Experts

265010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
265011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
265012	Unidentified “inside” sources
265013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
265014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
265015	Country's other non political actors

MALTA

Country code = 27

I. Government Actors

270000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
270001	Lawrence Gonzi (PM)
270002	Tonio Borg (EU)
270003	Giovanna Debono
270004	Austin Gatt
270005	George Pullicino
270006	Dolores Cristina
270007	John Dalli
270008	Tonio Fenech
270009	Camelo Mifsud Bonnici
270030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

270050	Edward Fenech-Adami (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

270100	Partit Nazzjonalista (PN) (party as a whole)
270101	Louis Galea
270102	Josie Muscat
270105	Simon Busuttil
270106	David Casa
270107	Rudolph Cini
270108	Alan Deidun
270109	Edward Demicoli
270111	Vincent Farrugia
270112	Robert Metsola
270113	Alexander Perici Calascione
270114	Marthese Portelli
270116	Frank Portelli
270110	Other PN national politician

270115 Other PN (candidate) MEP

270200 Partit Laburista (MPL) (party as a whole)
270201 Joseph Muscat
270205 Claudette Abela Baldacchino
270206 John Attard Montalto
270207 Glenn Beddingfield
270208 Stephen Borg
270209 Maria Dolores Camilleri
270211 Joseph Cuschieri
270212 Sharon Ellul Bonici
270213 Louis Grech
270214 Krill Micallef Stafrace
270216 Marlene Mizzi
270217 Edward Scicluna
270218 Christian Zammit
270210 Other MPL national politician
270215 Other MPL (candidate) MEP

270300 Alternattiva Demokratika – The Green Party (AD) (party as a whole)
270305 Yvonne Arqueros
270306 Arnold Cassola
270310 Other AD national politician
270315 Other AD (candidate) MEP

270400 Alleanza Liberali Demokratika Malta (AL) (party as a whole)

270405 John Zammit
270410 Other AL national politician
270415 Other AL (candidate) MEP

270500 APDL (Alpha Liberal Democratic Party) (party as a whole)
270505 Emanuel Bezzina
270510 Other APDL national politician
270515 Other APDL (candidate) MEP

270600 Azzjoni Nazzjonali (AN) (party as a whole)
270605 Joseph Muscat
270606 Malcolm Seychell
270607 John Frederick Spiteri-Gingell
270610 Other AN national politician
270615 Other AN (candidate) MEP

270700 Imperium Europa (IE) (party as a whole)
270705 Reuben Attard
270706 Norman Lowell

270710 Other IE national politician
270715 Other IE (candidate) MEP

270800 KUL Ewropa (party as a whole)
270805 Cecil Hubert Jones
270810 Other KUL Ewropa national politician
270815 Other KUL Ewropa (candidate) MEP

270900 Libertas Malta (party as a whole)
270905 Mary Gauci
270910 Other Libertas Malta (candidate) MEP

271000 Partit Tal-Ajkla (TA) (party as a whole)
271005 TA national politician
271010 TA (candidate) MEP

273000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
273001 Other Maltese politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
273002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
273003 Maltese (candidate) MEPs in general
273004 Maltese politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

275000 National Central Bank
275001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
275002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
275003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
275004 Activists
275005 Police and military units (troops, army)
275006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
275007 Thinktanks
275008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
275009 Experts
275010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
275011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
275012 Unidentified “inside” sources
275013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
275014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
275015 Country's other non political actors

NETHERLANDS

Country code = 28

I. Government Members

280000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
280001	Jan Peter Balkenende (PM)
280002	Wouter Bos
280003	André Rouvoet
280004	Ernst Hirsch Ballin
280005	Guusje ter Horst
280006	Ronald Plasterk
280007	Eimert van Middelkoop
280008	Jacqueline Cramer
280009	Camiel Eurlings
280010	Maria van der Hoeven
280011	Gerda Verburg
280012	Piet Hein Donner
280013	Ab Klink
280014	Bert Koenders
280015	Eberhard van der Laan
280016	Frans Timmermans (EU)
280030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

280050	Queen Beatrix
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

280100	CDA (party as a whole)
280101	Pieter van Geel
280105	Wim van de Camp
280110	Other CDA national politician
280115	Other CDA (candidate) MEP
280200	PvdA (party as a whole)
280201	Mariëtte Hamer
280205	Thijs Berman
280210	Other PvdA national politician
280215	Other PvdA (candidate) MEP
280300	VVD (party as a whole)
280301	Mark Rutte
280305	Hans van Baalen
280310	Other VVD national politician
280315	Other VVD (candidate) MEP
280400	GroenLinks (party as a whole)
280401	Femke Halsema

280405 Judith Sargentini
 280410 Other GroenLinks national politician
 280415 Other GroenLinks (candidate) MEP

280500 SP (party as a whole)
 280501 Agnes Kant
 280505 Dennis de Jong
 280510 Other SP national politician
 280515 Other SP (candidate) MEP

280600 ChristenUnie/SGP (either one the two parties, or both, as a whole)
 280601 Arie Slob (CU)
 280602 Bas van der Vlies (SGP)
 280605 Peter van Dalen
 280610 Other ChristenUnie/SGP national politician (either one of the two parties)
 280615 Other ChristenUnie/SGP (candidate) MEP

280700 D66 (party as a whole)
 280701 Alexander Pechtold
 280705 Sophie in 't Veld
 280710 Other D66 national politician
 280715 Other D66 (candidate) MEP

280800 PVV (party as a whole)
 280801 Geert Wilders
 280805 Barry Madlener
 280810 Other PVV national politician
 280815 Other PVV (candidate) MEP

280900 Newropeans (party as a whole)
 280905 Arno Uijlenhoet
 280915 Other Newropeans (candidate) MEP

281000 Europa Voordelig! & Duurzaam (party as a whole)
 281005 Frank Neumann
 281015 Other Europa Voordelig! & Duurzaam (candidate) MEP

281100 Solidara (party as a whole)
 281105 Yildirim Düzgün
 281110 Other Solidara national politician
 281115 Other Solidara (candidate) MEP

281200 Partij voor de Dieren (party as a whole)
 281201 Marianne Thieme
 281205 Natasja Oerlemans
 281210 Other Partij voor de Dieren national politician

- 281315 Other Partij voor de Dieren (candidate) MEP
- 281300 Europese Klokkenluiders Partij (EKP) (party as a whole)
- 281305 Joeri Wiersma
- 281315 Other EKP (candidate) MEP
- 281400 De Groenen (party as a whole)
- 281405 Otto ter Haar
- 281415 Other De Groenen (candidate) MEP
- 281500 Liberaal Democratische Partij (party as a whole)
- 281505 Sammy van Tuyll van Serooskerken
- 281515 Other Liberaal Democratische Partij (candidate) MEP
- 281600 Partij voor Europese Politiek (PEP) (party as a whole)
- 281605 Nees Pellikaan
- 281615 Other PEP (candidate) MEP
- 281700 Libertas (party as a whole)
- 281705 Eline van den Broek
- 281715 Other Libertas (candidate) MEP
- 281800 Trots op Nederland (TON) (party as a whole)
- 281801 Rita Verdonk
- 281810 Other TON national politician
- 283000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 283001 Other Dutch politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 283002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 283003 Dutch (candidate) MEPs in general
- 283004 Dutch politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 285000 National Central Bank
- 285001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 285002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 285003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 285004 Activists
- 285005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 285006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 285007 Thinktanks
- 285008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 285009 Experts
- 285010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels

- 285011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 285012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 285013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 285014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 285015 Country's other non political actors

POLAND

Country code = 29

I. Government Members

- 290000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 290001 Prime Minister Donald Tusk
- 290002 Waldemar Pawlak
- 290003 Grzegorz Schetyna
- 290004 Elzbieta Bienkowska
- 290005 Michal Boni
- 290006 Andrzej Czuma
- 290007 Mirosław Drzewiecki
- 290008 Jolanta Fedak
- 290009 Cezary Grabarczyk
- 290010 Aleksander Grad
- 290011 Katarzyna Hall
- 290012 Bogdan Klich
- 290013 Ewa Kopacz
- 290014 Barbara Kudrycka
- 290015 Maciej Nowicki
- 290016 Jan Vincent-Rostowski
- 290017 Marek Sawicki
- 290018 Radosław Sikorski (EU)
- 290019 Bogdan Zdrojewski
- 290030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

- 290050 Lech Kaczyński (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

- 290100 PO (Platforma Obywatelska Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej) (party as a whole)
- 290101 Zbigniew Chlebowski
- 2901051 Janusz Lewandowski
- 2901052 Tadeusz Zwiefka
- 2901053 Krzysztof Lisek
- 2901054 Danuta Hübner

2901055	Jacek Kozłowski
2901056	Jacek Saryusz-Wolski
2901057	Filip Kaczmarek
2901058	Lena Kolarska-Bobińska
2901059	Marian Krzaklewski
2901060	Róża Gräfin Von Thun Und Hohenstein
2901061	Jerzy Buzek
2901062	Jacek Protasiewicz
2901063	Sławomir Nitras
290110	Other PO national politician
290115	Other PO (candidate) MEP
290200	PiS (Prawo i Sprawiedliwość) (party as a whole)
290201	Przemysław Gosiewski
290202	Jarosław Kaczyński
2902051	Hanna Foltyn-Kubicka
2902052	Richard Czarnecki
2902053	Jacek Kurski
2902054	Michał Kamiński
2902055	Adam Bielan
2902056	Urszula Krupa
2902057	Konrad Szymański
2902058	Mirosław Piotrowski
2902059	Tomasz Poręba
2902060	Zbigniew Ziobro
2902061	Marek Migalski
2902062	Ryszard Legutko
2902063	Marek Gróbarczyk
290210	Other PiS national politician
290215	Other PiS (candidate) MEP
290300	SLD-UP (Sojusz Lewicy Demokratycznej – Unia Pracy) (party as a whole)
290301	Grzegorz Bernard Napieralski
2903051	Longin Pastusiak
2903052	Janusz Zemke
2903053	Tadeusz Iwiński
2903054	Wojciech Olejniczak
2903055	Marek Wikiński
2903056	Jolanta Szymanek-Deresz
2903057	Marek Siwiec
2903058	Jacek Czerniak
2903059	Marta Niewczas
2903060	Andrzej Szejna
2903061	Jerzy Markowski
2903062	Lidia Geringer De Oedenberg
2903063	Bogusław Liberadzki

290310 Other SLD-UP national politician
 290315 Other SLD-UP (candidate) MEP

290400 PdP-CL (Porozumienie dla Przyszłości – CentroLewica) (party as a whole)
 2904051 Dariusz Szwed
 2904052 Henryk Kierzkowski
 2904053 Marian Szamatowicz
 2904054 Dariusz Rosati
 2904055 Marek Czarnecki
 2904056 Magdalena Środa
 2904057 Sylwia Pusz
 2904058 Marek Borowski
 2904059 Krzysztof Martens
 2904060 Janusz Onyszkiewicz
 2904061 Genowefa Grabowska
 2904062 Józef Pinior
 2904063 Radosław Popiela
 290410 Other PdP-CL national politician
 290415 Other PdP-CL (candidate) MEP

290500 PSL (Polskie Stronnictwo Ludowe) (party as a whole)
 290501 Zbigniew Kuźmiuk
 2905051 Wojciech Przybylski
 2905052 Eugeniusz Kłopotek
 2905053 Stanisław Żelichowski
 2905054 Janusz Piechociński
 2905055 Jarosław Kalinowski
 2905056 Adam Fronczak
 2905057 Andrzej Grzyb
 2905058 Edward Wojtas
 2905059 Mieczysław Janowski
 2905060 Czesław Siekierski
 2905061 Janusz Moszyński
 2905062 Stanisław Rakoczy
 2905063 Juliusz Engelhardt
 290510 Other PSL national politician
 290515 Other PSL (candidate) MEP

290600 SO (Samoobrona Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej) (party as a whole)
 2906051 Lech Woszczerowicz
 2906052 Sebastian Franciszek Filipek-Kaźmierczak
 2906053 Renata Rochnowska
 2906054 Jan Sochocki
 2906055 Bogdan Socha
 2906056 Krzysztof Ryszard Sikora
 2906057 Andrzej Kordian Aumiller

2906058	Wiesław-Stefan Kuc
2906059	Alicja Bronisława Lis
2906060	Agnieszka Szlęk
2906061	Józef Bronisław Jędruch
2906062	Grzegorz Kołacz
2906063	Zbigniew Krakowiak
290610	Other SO national politician
290615	Other SO (candidate) MEP
290700	UPR (Unia Polityki Realnej (UPR) (party as a whole)
290710	UPR national politician
290720	UPR (candidate) MEP
290800	PRP (Prawica Rzeczypospolitej) (party as a whole)
2908051	Donata Jolanta Lewandowska-Sobiech
2908052	Wojciech Papis
2908053	Gniewomir Gwidon Rokosz-Kuczyński
2908054	Marek Jurek
2908055	Marian Piłka
2908056	Wojciech Krzysztof Walczak
2908057	Witold Tomczak
2908058	Witold Misiuda-Rewera
2908059	Mieczysław Stanisław Maziarz
2908060	Krystyna Aniela Zając
2908061	Sławomir Michał Sławski
2908062	Marcin Palade
2908063	Piotr Słomski
290810	Other PRP national politician
290815	Other PRP (candidate) MEP
290900	PPP (Polska Partia Pracy) (party as a whole)
2909051	Leszek Świętczak
2909052	Krzysztof Pieściński
2909053	Mateusz Andrzej Mazur
2909054	Elżbieta Fornalczyk
2909055	Katarzyna Ewa Śniadecka
2909056	Bogdan Dariusz Golik
2909057	Mariola Teresa Popiółkowska
2909058	Szymon Martys
2909059	Jerzy Bogusław Wróbel
2909060	Mariusz Jacek Olszewski
2909061	Bogusław Zbigniew Ziętek
2909062	Ewa Agata Groszewska
2909063	Robert Marcin Stepień
290910	Other PPP national politician
290915	Other PPP (candidate) MEP

- 291000 Libertas (party as a whole)
- 2910051 Tomasz Sommer
- 2910052 Ryszard Kozłowski
- 2910053 Ryszard Bender
- 2910054 Artur Zawisza
- 2910055 Dariusz Grabowski
- 2910056 Bolesław Borysiuk
- 2910057 Anna Sobecka
- 2910058 Zdzisław Podkański
- 2910059 Daniel Pawłowiec
- 2910060 Wojciech Wierzejski
- 2910061 Piotr Ślusarczyk
- 2910062 Janusz Dobrosz
- 2910063 Krzysztof Zaremba
- 2910064 Other Libertas (candidate) MEP

- 293000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 293001 Other Polish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 293002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 293003 Polish (candidate) MEPs in general
- 293004 Polish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 295000 National Central Bank
- 295001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 295002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 295003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 295004 Activists
- 295005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 295006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 295007 Thinktanks
- 295008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 295009 Experts
- 295010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 295011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 295012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 295013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 295014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 295015 Country's other non political actors

PORTUGAL

Country code = 30

I. Government Members

300000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
300001	Prime Minister José Sócrates
300002	Luís Amado
300003	Teixeira dos Santos
300004	Rui Pereira
300005	Pedro Silva Pereira
300006	Nuno Severiano Teixeira
300007	Alberto Costa
300008	Francisco Nunes Correia
300009	Manuel Pinho
300010	Jaime Silva
300011	Mário Lino
300012	José Vieira da Silva
300013	Ana Jorge
300014	Maria de Lurdes Rodrigues
300015	Mariano Gago
300016	José António Pinto Ribeiro
300017	Augusto Santos Silva
300018	Teresa Ribeiro (EU)
300030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

300050	Aníbal António Cavaco Silva (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

300100	PS (Partido Socialista) (party as a whole)
300101	Alberto Martins
300105	Vital Moreira
300110	Other PS national politician
300115	Other PS (candidate) MEP
300200	BE (Bloco de Esquerda) (party as a whole)
300201	Luis Fazenda
300202	Francisco Louçã
300205	Miguel Portas
300210	Other BE national politician
300215	Other BE (candidate) MEP
300300	CDS-PP (Partido Popular) (party as a whole)
300301	Diogo Feio
300305	Nuno Melo
300310	Other CDS-PP national politician

300315 Other CDS-PP (candidate) MEP

300400 CDU (Coligação Democrática Unitária) (party as a whole)
300401 Jerónimo de Sousa
300405 Ilda Figueiredo
300410 Other CDU national politician
300415 Other CDU (candidate) MEP

300500 PPD-PSD (Partido Social Democrata)
300501 Maria Manuela Dias Ferreira Leite
300505 Paulo Rangel
300510 Other PPD-PSD national politician
300515 Other PPD-PSD (candidate) MEP

300600 MMS (Movimento Mérito e Sociedade) (party as a whole)
300605 Carlos Gomes
300610 Other MMS national politician
300615 Other MMS (candidate) MEP

300700 PCTP-MRPP (Partido Comunista dos Trabalhadores Portugueses) (party as a whole)
300701 António Garcia Pereira
300705 Orlando Alves
300710 Other PCTP-MRPP national politician
300715 Other PCTP-MRPP (candidate) MEP

300800 (POUS) Partido Operário da Unidade Socialista (POUS) (party as a whole)
300805 Carmelinda Pereira
300810 Other POUS national politician
300815 Other POUS (candidate) MEP

300900 Partido Humanista (PH) (party as a whole)
300905 Manuela Magno
300910 Other PH national politician
300915 Other PH (candidate) MEP

301000 Partido Popular Monárquico (PPM) (party as a whole)
301005 Frederico Carvalho
301010 Other PPM national politician
301015 Other PPM (candidate) MEP

301100 Partido da Terra (MPT) (party as a whole)
301105 Pedro Quartin Graça
301110 Other MPT national politician
301115 Other MPT (candidate) MEP

301200	PNR (Partido Nacional Renovador) (party as a whole)
301205	Humberto Nuno de Oliveira
301210	Other PNR national politician
301215	Other PNR (candidate) MEP
301300	Movimento Esperança Portugal (party as a whole)
301305	Humberto Nuno de Oliveira
301310	Other Movimento Esperança Portugal national politician
301315	Other Movimento Esperança Portugal (candidate) MEP
303000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
303001	Other Portuguese politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
303002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
303003	Portuguese (candidate) MEPs in general
303004	Portuguese politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

305000	National Central Bank
305001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
305002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
305003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
305004	Activists
305005	Police and military units (troops, army)
305006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
305007	Thinktanks
305008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
305009	Experts
305010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
305011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
305012	Unidentified "inside" sources
305013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
305014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
305015	Country's other non political actors

ROMANIA

Country code = 31

I. Government Members

310000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
310001	Emil Boc (PM)
310002	Dan Nica

310003	Cătălin Predoiu
310004	Mihai Stănișoară
310005	Theodor Paleologu
310006	Ilie Sârbu
310007	Ionuț Bazac
310008	Cristian Diaconescu (EU)
310009	Adrieian Videanu
310010	Gheorghe Pogea
310011	Marian Sârbu
310012	Nicolae Nemirschi
310013	Radu Berceanu
310014	Dan Nica
310015	Vasile Blaga
310016	Ecaterina Andronescu
310017	Monica Iacob Ridzi
310018	Elena Udrea
310019	Gabriel Sandu
310020	Constantin Niță
310021	Victor Ponta
310030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

310050	Traian Băsescu (President)
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

310100	Alianta Electorala PSD+PC (Partidul Social Democrat/Partidul Conservator) (AE/PSD+PC) (party as a whole)
310101	Viorel Hrebenciuc (PSD+PC)
310102	Mircea Dan Geoană (PSD)
310103	Daniela Popa (PC)
310105	Adrian Severin (PSD+PC)
310110	Other AE/PSD+PC national politician
310115	Other AE/PSD+PC (candidate) MEP
310200	PNL (Partidul Național Liberal) (party as a whole)
310201	Călin Popescu-Tăriceanu
310202	Crin Antonescu
310205	Norica Nicolai
310210	Other PNL national politician
310215	Other PNL (candidate) MEP
310300	PD-L (Partidul Democrat Liberal) (party as a whole)
310301	Mircea-Nicu Toader
310305	Theodor Stolojan
310310	Other PD-L national politician
310315	Other PD-L (candidate) MEP

- 310400 UDMR (Uniunea Democrată Maghiară din România) (party as a whole)
- 310401 Márton Árpád
- 310402 Bela Marko
- 310405 Laszlo Tokes
- 310410 Other UDMR national politician
- 310415 Other UDMR (candidate) MEP

- 310500 PRM (Partidul Romania Mare) (party as a whole)
- 310505 Corneliu Vadim Tudor
- 310510 Other PRM national politician
- 310515 Other PRM (candidate) MEP

- 310600 Elena Basescu (Independent)

- 310700 Pavel Abraham (Independent)

- 310800 Forta Civica (FC) (party as a whole)
- 310810 FC national politician
- 310815 FC (candidate) MEP

- 310900 PNTCD (Partidul National Taranesc Crestin Democrat) (party as a whole)
- 310910 PNTCD national politician
- 310915 PNTCD (candidate) MEP

- 313000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 313001 Other Romanian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 313002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 313003 Romanian (candidate) MEPs in general
- 313004 Romanian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 315000 National Central Bank
- 315001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 315002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 315003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 315004 Activists
- 315005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 315006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)

- 315007 Thinktanks
- 315008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 315009 Experts
- 315010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels

- 315011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 315012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 315013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 315014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 315015 Country's other non political actors

SLOVAKIA

Country code = 32

I. Government Members

- 320000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 320001 Robert Fico (PM)
- 320002 Dušan Čaplovič (EU)
- 320003 Robert Kaliňák
- 320004 Štefan Harabin
- 320005 Ján Mikolaj
- 320006 Ján Počiatek
- 320007 Miroslav Lajčák (EU)
- 320008 Ľubomír Jahnátek
- 320009 Jaroslav Baška
- 320010 Marek Maďarič
- 320011 Richard Raši
- 320012 Stanislav Becík
- 320013 Ľubomír Vážny
- 320014 Igor Štefanov
- 320015 Viera Tomanová
- 320016 Ján Chrbet
- 320030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

- 320050 Ivan Casparovic (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

- 320100 SMER (Sociálna demokracia) (party as a whole)
- 320101 Číž Miroslav
- 320102 Boris Zala
- 320110 Other SMER national politician
- 320115 Other SMER (candidate) MEP

- 320200 SDKU – DS (Slovenská demokratická a kresťanská únia) (party as a whole)
- 320201 Janiš Stanislav
- 320205 Eduard Kukan

320210 Other SDKU-KS national politician
 320215 Other SDKU-KS (candidate) MEP

320300 SMK/MKP (Strana maďarskej koalície) (party as a whole)
 320301 Bárdos Gyula
 320302 Pál Csáky
 320305 Edit Bauer
 320310 Other SMK/MKP national politician
 320315 Other SMK/MKP (candidate) MEP

320400 L'S-HZDS (Ľudová strana - Hnutie za demokratické Slovensko) (party as a whole)
 320401 Mečiar Vladimír
 320405 Segej Kozlík
 320410 Other L'S-HZDS national politician
 320415 Other L'S-HZDS (candidate) MEP

320500 KDH (Kresťansko-demokratické hnutie) (party as a whole)
 320501 Sabolová Mária
 320502 Pavol Hrušovský
 320505 Martin Fronc
 320510 Other KDH national politician
 320515 Other KDH (candidate) MEP

320600 SNS (Slovenská národná strana) (party as a whole)
 320601 Rafaj Rafael
 320605 Dušan Švantner
 320610 Other SNS national politician
 320615 Other SNS (candidate) MEP

320700 KSS (Komunistická strana Slovenska) (party as a whole)
 320705 Juraj Brecko
 320710 Other KSS national politician
 320715 Other KSS (candidate) MEP

320800 Slobodné fórum (SF) (party as a whole)
 320805 Milan Izák
 320810 Other SF national politician
 320815 Other SF (candidate) MEP

323000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 323001 Other Slovakian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 323002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
 323003 Slovakian (candidate) MEPs in general
 323004 Slovakian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 325000 National Central Bank
- 325001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 325002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 325003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 325004 Activists
- 325005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 325006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 325007 Thinktanks
- 325008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 325009 Experts
- 325010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 325011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 325012 Unidentified "inside" sources
- 325013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 325014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 325015 Country's other non political actors

SLOVENIA

Country code = 33

I. Government Members

- 330000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 330001 Borut Pahor (PM)
- 330002 Milan Pogacnik
- 330003 Majda Sirca
- 330004 Ljubica Jelusic
- 330005 Matej Lahovnik
- 330006 Igor Luksic
- 330007 Karl Erjavec
- 330008 Franc Krizanic
- 330009 Samuel Zbogar (EU)
- 330010 Borut Miklavcic
- 330011 Gregor Golobic
- 330012 Katarina Kresal
- 330013 Ales Zalar
- 330014 Ivan Svetlik
- 330015 Irma Pavlinic Krebs
- 330016 Patrick Vlacic
- 330030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

330050 Danilo Turk (President)

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

330100 Socialni Demokrati (SD) (party as a whole)

330105 Bojan Kontič

330110 Other SD national politician

330115 Other SD (candidate) MEP

330200 SDS (Slovenska Demokratska Stranka) (party as a whole)

330205 Janez Jansa

330206 Jože Tanko

330210 Other SDS national politician

330215 Other SDS (candidate) MEP

330300 LDS (Liberalna Demokracija Slovenije) (party as a whole)

330301 Katarina Kresal

330305 Borut Sajovic

330310 Other LDS national politician

330315 Other LDS (candidate) MEP

330400 N.Si (Nova Slovenija – Krscanska Ljudska Stranka) (party as a whole)

330410 N.Si national politician

330415 N.Si (candidate) MEP

330500 Zares – nova politika (party as a whole)

330501 Gregor Golobic

330505 Cvetka Zalokar Oražem

330510 Other Zares national politician

330515 Other Zares (candidate) MEP

330600 SDS (Slovenska Ljudska Stranka) (party as a whole)

330601 Jakob Presecnik

330605 Bojan Šrot

330610 Other SDS national politician

330615 Other SDS (candidate) MEP

330700 DeSUS (party as a whole)

330701 Karl Eljavec

330705 Franc Žnidaršič

330710 Other DeSUS national politician

330715 Other DeSUS (candidate) MEP

330800 SNS (Slovenska Nacionalna Stranka) (party as a whole)

330805 Zmago Jelinčič Plemeniti

330810 Other SNS national politician

- 330815 Other SNS (candidate) MEP
- 330900 SMS (Stranka Mladih Slovenije) (party as a whole)
- 330910 SMS national politician
- 330915 SNS (candidate) MEP
- 331000 NLPB (Neodvisna Lista za Pravice Bolnikov) (party as a whole)
- 331010 NLPN national politician
- 331015 NLPB (candidate) MEP
- 331100 KSS (Krsčanski Socialisti Slovenije) (party as a whole)
- 331110 KSS national politician
- 331115 KSS (candidate) MEP
- 331200 Združeni Zeleni (ZZ) (party as a whole)
- 331210 ZZ national politician
- 331215 ZZ (candidate) MEP
- 333000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 333001 Other Slovenian politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 333002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 333003 Slovenian (candidate) MEPs in general
- 333004 Slovenian politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 335000 National Central Bank
- 335001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 335002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 335003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 335004 Activists
- 335005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 335006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 335007 Thinktanks
- 335008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 335009 Experts
- 335010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 335011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 335012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 335013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 335014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 335015 Country's other non political actors

SPAIN

Country code = 34

I. Government Members

340000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
340001	José Luis Rodríguez Zapatero (PM)
340002	Miguel Ángel Moratinos (EU)
340003	Francisco Caamaño Domínguez
340004	Carme Chacón
340005	Alfredo Pérez Rubalcaba
340006	José Blanco
340007	Ángel Gabilondo
340008	Celestino Corbacho
340009	Elena Espinosa
340010	Miguel Sebastián
340011	Ángeles González Sinde
340012	Elena Salgado
340013	Trinidad Jiménez
340014	Beatriz Corredor
340015	Cristina Garmendia
340016	Bibiana Aído
340030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

340050	King Juan Carlos I
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

340100	PSOE (Partido Socialista Obrero Español) (party as a whole)
340101	Manuel Chaves
340105	Juan Fernando López Aguilar
340110	Other PSOE national politician
340115	Other PSOE (candidate) MEP
340200	Partido Popular (PP) (party as a whole)
340201	Mariano Rajoy Brey
340202	Maria Dolores de Cospedal
340205	Jaime Mayor Oreja
340210	Other PP national politician
340215	Other PP (candidate) MEP
340300	La Izquierda (IU+ICV+EUiA+BA) (party as a whole)
340301	Cayo Lara Moya
340305	Willy Enrique Meyer Pleite
340310	Other La Izquierda national politician

- 340315 Other La Izquierda (candidate) MEP
- 340400 EdP-V (Europa por los Pueblos-Verdes) (party as a whole)
- 340410 EdP-V national Politician
- 340415 EdP-V (candidate) MEP
- 340500 Coalicion por Europa (CpE) (party as a whole)
- 340510 CpE national Politician
- 340515 CpE (candidate) MEP
- 340600 Union, Progreso y Democracia (UPyD) (party as a whole)
- 340601 Rosa Diez
- 340605 Francisco Sosa Wagner
- 340610 Other UpyD politician
- 340615 Other UpyD (candidate) MEP
- 340700 Libertas-Ciudadanos de Espana (party as a whole)
- 340715 Libertas (candidate) MEP
- 340800 Izquierda Anticapitalista-Revolta Global (IZAN-RG) (party as a whole)
- 340810 IZAN-RG national politician
- 340815 IZAN-RG (candidate) MEP
- 343000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
- 343001 Other Spanish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
- 343002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
- 343003 Spanish (candidate) MEPs in general
- 343004 Spanish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

- 345000 National Central Bank
- 345001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
- 345002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
- 345003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
- 345004 Activists
- 345005 Police and military units (troops, army)
- 345006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
- 345007 Thinktanks
- 345008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
- 345009 Experts
- 345010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 345011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
- 345012 Unidentified “inside” sources

- 345013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 345014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 345015 Country's other non political actors

SWEDEN

Country code = 35

I. Government Members

- 350000 Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
- 350001 Prime Minister Fredrik Reinfeldt
- 350002 Cecilia Malmström (EU)
- 350003 Beatrice Ask
- 350004 Tobias Billström
- 350005 Carl Bildt
- 350006 Ewa Björling
- 350007 Gunilla Carlsson
- 350008 Sten Tolgfors
- 350009 Göran Hägglund
- 350010 Maria Larsson
- 350011 Cristina Husmark Pehrsson
- 350012 Anders Borg
- 350013 Mats Odell
- 350014 Lars Leijonborg
- 350015 Jan Björklund
- 350016 Eskil Erlandsson
- 350017 Andreas Carlgren
- 350018 Maud Olofsson
- 350019 Åsa Torstensson
- 350020 Nyamko Sabuni
- 350021 Cecilia Stegö Chilò
- 350022 Lena Adelsohn Liljeroth
- 350023 Sven Otto Littorin
- 350030 Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

- 350050 King Carl XVI Gustaf

III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

- 350100 Centerpartie (party as a whole)
- 350101 Roger Tiefensee
- 350102 Maud Olofsson
- 350105 Lena Ek
- 350110 Other Centerpartiet national politician

350115 Other Centerpartiet (candidate) MEP

350200 Kristdemokraterna (KD) (party as a whole)
350201 Stefan Attefall
350205 Ella Bohlin
350210 Other KD national politician
350215 Other KD (candidate) MEP

350300 Folkpartiet liberalerna (FP) (party as a whole)
350301 Johan Pehrson
350305 Marit Paulsen
350310 Other FP national politician
350315 Other FP (candidate) MEP

350400 Moderata Samlingspartiet (party as a whole)
350401 Lars Lindblad
350405 Gunnar Hökmark
350410 Other Moderata national politician
350415 Other Moderata (candidate) MEP

350500 Vansterpartiet (Vp) (party as a whole)
350501 Alice Åström
350502 Lars Ohly
350505 Eva-Britt Svensson
350510 Other Vp national politician
350515 Other Vp (candidate) MEP

350600 Arbetarepartiet-Socialdemokraterna (party as a whole)
350601 Britt Bohlin Olsson
350602 Mona Sahlin
350605 Marita Ulvskog
350610 Other Arbetarepartiet national politician
350615 Other Arbetarepartiet (candidate) MEP

350700 Miljöpartiet-de gröna (MP) (party as a whole)
350701 Mikaela Valtersson
350705 Carl Schlyter
350710 Other MP national politician
350715 Other MP (candidate) MEP

350800 Junilistan (party as a whole)
350805 Sören Wibe
350810 Other Junilistan national politician
350815 Other Junilistan (candidate) MEP

350900 Feministiskt initiativ (F!) (party as a whole)

350905	Guðrun Schyman
350910	Other F! national politician
350915	Other F! (candidate) MEP
351000	Sverigedemokraterna (SD) (party as a whole)
351005	Marita Ulvskog
351010	Other SD national politician
351015	Other SD (candidate) MEP
351100	Piratpartiet (PP)
351105	Christian Engström
351110	Other PP national politician
351115	Other PP (candidate) MEP
353000	Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
353001	Other Swedish politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
353002	National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
353003	Swedish (candidate) MEPs in general
353004	Swedish politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

355000	National Central Bank
355001	Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
355002	Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
355003	Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
355004	Activists
355005	Police and military units (troops, army)
355006	Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
355007	Thinktanks
355008	(Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
355009	Experts
355010	Criminals, terrorists, rebels
355011	Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers, publicists)
355012	Unidentified “inside” sources
355013	Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups, populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g. country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
355014	Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
355015	Country's other non political actors

UNITED KINGDOM

Country code = 36

I. Government Members

360000	Government / country as a whole, Cabinet as a whole
360001	Gordon Brown (PM)
360002	Alistair Darling
360003	David Miliband (EU)
360004	Jack Straw
360005	Jacqui Smith
360006	Alan Johnson
360007	Peter Mandelson
360008	Hilary Benn
360009	Douglas Alexander
360010	John Hutton
360011	Harriet Harman
360012	Hazel Blears
360013	Geoff Hoon
360014	Ed Balls
360015	Ed Miliband
360016	James Purnell
360017	Shaun Woodward
360018	Janet Royall
360019	Andy Burnham
360020	John Denham
360021	Yvette Cooper
360022	Paul Murphy
360023	Jim Murphy
360030	Other government members (e.g. junior ministers, deputy ministers)

II. Head of State

360050	Queen Elizabeth
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III. Political Parties/ Party Leaders

360100	Conservative Party (party as a whole)
360101	David Cameron
3601051	Roger Helmer
3601052	Geoffrey Van Orden
3601053	Charles Tannock
3601054	Martin Callanan
3601055	Robert Atkins
3601056	Struan Stevenson
3601057	Daniel Hannan
3601058	Giles Chichester
3601059	Kay Swinburne
3601060	Philip Bradbourn
3601061	Edward McMillan-Scott
360110	Other Conservatives national politician

360115	Other Conservatives (candidate) MEP
360200	Labour Party (party as a whole)
3602051	Glenis Willmott
3602052	Richard Howitt
3602053	Claude Moraes
3602054	Stephen Hughes
3602055	Arlene McCarthy
3602056	David Martin
3602057	Peter Skinner
3602058	James Ford
3602059	Derek Vaughan
3602060	Michael Cashman
3602061	Linda McAvan
360210	Other Labour Party national politician
360215	Other Labour Party (candidate) MEP
360300	Liberal Democrats (LibDems) (party as a whole)
360301	Nick Clegg
3603051	William Dunn
3603052	Andrew Duff
3603053	Sarah Ludford
3603054	Fiona Hall
3603055	Chris Davies
3603056	George Lyon
3603057	Sharon Bowles
3603058	Graham Watson
3603059	Alan Philip
3603060	Liz Lynne
3603061	Diana Wallis
360310	Other LibDem national politician
360315	Other LibDem (candidate) MEP
360400	SNP (Scottish National Party) (party as a whole)
360401	Stewart Hosie
360402	Alex Salmond
360405	Ian Hudghton
360410	Other SNP national politician
360415	Other SNP (candidate) MEP
360500	Sinn Fein (SF) (party as a whole)
360501	Gerry Adams
360505	Bairbre de Brún
360510	Other SF national politician
360515	Other SF (candidate) MEP

360600	UKIP (United Kingdom Independence Party) (party as a whole)
3606051	Derek Clark
3606052	David Bannerman
3606053	Gerard Batten
3606054	Gordon Parkin
3606055	Paul Nuttall
3606056	Peter Adams
3606057	Nigel Farage
3606058	Bernard Colman
3606059	John Bufton
3606060	Mike Nattrass
3606061	Godfrey Bloom
360610	Other UKIP national politician
360615	Other UKIP (candidate) MEP
360700	Plaid Cymru (party as a whole)
360701	Elfyn Llwyd
3607051	Jill Evans
3607052	Eurig Wyn
3607053	Ioan Bellin
3607054	Natasha Asghar
360710	Other Plaid Cymru national politician
360715	Other Plaid Cymru (candidate) MEP
360800	Green Party (party as a whole)
3608051	Sue Mallender
3608052	Rupert Read
3608053	Jean Lambert
3608054	Shirley Ford
3608055	Peter Cranie
3608056	Steven Agnew
3608057	Caroline Lucas
3608058	Richard Knight
3608059	Jack Griffiths
3608060	Felicity Norman
3608061	Martin Hemmingway
360810	Other Green Party national politician
360815	Other Green Party (candidate) MEP
360900	BNP (British National Party) (party as a whole)
3609051	Robert West
3609052	Eddy Butler
3609053	Robert Bailey
3609054	Adam Walker
3609055	Nick Griffin
3609056	Gary Raikes

3609057	Tim Rait
3609058	Jeremy Wotherspoon
3609059	Ennys Hughes
3609060	Simon Pinehurst
3609061	Andrew Brons
360910	Other BNP national politician
360915	Other BNP (candidate) MEP
361000	Libertas (party as a whole)
3610051	Richard Elvin
3610052	Andrew Jamieson
3610053	Maxwell Burt
3610054	Ken Rollings
3610055	Benjamin Tallis
3610056	Kevin O'Connell
3610057	Robin Matthews
3610058	Jimmy Millard
3610059	Antony Devoy
361010	Other Libertas national politician
361015	Other Libertas (candidate) MEP
361100	Alliance Party (party as a whole)
361105	Ian Parsley
361110	Other Alliance Party national politician
361015	Other Alliance Party (candidate) MEP
361200	Christian Party (party as a whole)
3612051	George Hargreaves
3612052	Don Botham
3612053	Sheila McLaughlan
361210	Other Christian Party national politician
361215	Other Christian Party (candidate) MEP
361300	English Democrats (party as a whole)
3613051	Derek Hilling
3613052	Robin Tilbrook
3613053	Roger Cooper
3613054	Francis Roseman
3613055	Robert Abrams
3613056	Steve Uncles
3613057	Michael Turner
3613058	David Lane
3613059	Michael Cassidy
361310	Other English Democrats national politician
361315	Other English Democrats (candidate) MEP

361400 No2EU (party as a whole)
 3614051 John McEwan
 3614052 Brian Denny
 3614053 Bob Crow
 3614054 Martin Levy
 3614055 Roger Bannister
 3614056 John Foster-Grime
 3614057 David Hill
 3614058 Alexander Gordon
 3614059 Robert Griffiths
 3614060 Dave Nellist
 3614061 Keit Gibson
 361410 Other No2EU national politician
 361415 Other No2EU (candidate) MEP

 361500 DUP (Democratic Unionist Party) (party as a whole)
 361501 Peter Robinson
 361502 Nigel Dodds
 361505 Roger Helmer
 361510 Other DUP national politician
 361515 Other DUP (candidate) MEP

 361600 UUP (Ulster Unionist Party) (party as a whole)
 361601 Sylvia Hermon
 361605 Jim Nicholson
 361610 Other UUP national politician
 361615 Other UUP (candidate) MEP

 363000 Other (candidate) MEP/ party as a whole
 363001 Other UK politician (e.g. mayors, local/ regional politicians)
 363002 National opposition politician(s), opposition party(ies), opposition as a whole
 363003 UK (candidate) MEPs in general
 363004 UK politicians in general

IV. Non-political Actors

365000 National Central Bank
 365001 Economic (e.g. company, business, banks)
 365002 Administrative (e.g. authorities, civil servant, diplomat, ambassador)
 365003 Judiciary (e.g. courts, judges, lawyers)
 365004 Activists
 365005 Police and military units (troops, army)
 365006 Interest groups, organizations (e.g. trade unions, employer organizations)
 365007 Thinktanks
 365008 (Member of) Professional group (artists, teachers, nurses, doctors, farmers etc.)
 365009 Experts

- 365010 Criminals, terrorists, rebels
- 365011 Journalists, the media (incl. columnists, pundits, opinion makers,
publicists)
- 365012 Unidentified “inside” sources
- 365013 Non-organized ordinary citizen(s), non-organized population groups,
populations as a whole (also: voters, people, public, etc.); for TV: e.g.
country's ordinary citizens being interviewed
- 365014 Religious officials/ clerics/ church/ religious interest groups
- 365015 Country's other non political actors

Appendix E: List of Ethnic Minority Groups

- 1** **African in general**
2 Afro-Caribbeans
- 3** **North African in general**
4 Moroccan
5 Tunisian
6 Central or South African
- 7 *Arabic in general*
8 Middle Eastern in general
9 Iranian
10 Iraqi
11 Israeli
12 Palestinian
13 Turkish
- 14** **Indian Subcontinent in general**
15 Indian
16 Afghan
- 17** ***Pakistani***
- 18 *Asian in general*
19 South-East Asian in general
20 Indonesian
21 Chinese
22 Japanese
23 Korean
- 24 *South American in general*
- 25 *North American in general*
26 American
27 Canadian
- 28** **Oceanian in general**

29	<i>Eastern European in general</i>
30	Russian or other former CIS republics (if not specified below)
31	Yugoslavian or former Yugoslavian republics (if not specified below)
32	Polish
33	Pomaks
34	Roma
35	Gypsy
36	Croatians
37	Hungarian
38	Serb
39	Slovak
40	Czech
41	Moravian
42	Slovenes
43	Polish
44	Bosniak
45	Bulgarian
46	Romanian
47	Estonian
48	Ukrainian
49	Latvian
50	Byelorussian
51	Lithuanian

52	Southern European in general
53	Castillan speakers
54	Catalan
55	Galician
56	Basques
57	Portuguese
58	Greek
59	Italians

60	Northern European in general
61	Finish
62	Swedes
63	Danes

64	Western European in general
65	German
66	Austrians
67	English
68	Scottish
69	Welsh

70 Irish
71 Anglican
72 Dutch
73 French
74 Bretons
75 Flemish
76 Walloon

80 Religions

81 Muslim/ Islamic

90 Unidentifiable but clearly foreign ethnicity

Appendix F: List of Topics

- 01 European Integration
- 02 Environment
- 03 Globalization
- 04 Economic Conditions
- 05 Immigration
- 06 Interest Rates
- 07 Health Care
- 08 Climate Change
- 09 Foreign policy in general, relations between states or (international) political organisations
- 10 Foreign policy towards Eastern European countries that are now members of the EU
- 11 Foreign policy towards Eastern European countries that are not members of the EU
- 12 Foreign Policy towards Russia
- 13 Foreign Policy towards United States of America
- 14 Defence and national security of national government
- 15 Imperialism: : references to exerting influence (political, military or commercial) over other states controlling other countries as if they were part of an empire, mentions of de/colonization; references to self-government and independence for colonies; references to the imperial behaviour of the [country] or other countries.
- 16 Military in general (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 17 Military expenditure
- 18 Armed forces (modernization, structure, military strength)
- 19 NATO, Military treaties obligations, Military cooperation
- 20 Peace (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 21 Peace negotiations
- 22 Peace keeping missions/troops
- 23 Freedom and Human Rights (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 24 Civil rights, Civil liberties, Rights in general
- 25 Equality before Law
- 26 Democracy (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 27 Democracy, sovereignty of the people
- 28 Division of power among brunches of government
- 29 Separation of church and state
- 30 Rule of Law
- 31 Democratic role of political parties
- 32 Democratic role of the media
- 33 Constitutionalism (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 34 Discussion about national constitution
- 35 Decentralization (code this if you cannot use specific codes)

- 36 Federalism, Devolution, Regional Autonomy
- 37 Executive and Administrative Efficiency; Efficient government and administration.
- 38 Political Corruption (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 39 EU political corruption, fraud, scandals EU-level politicians or institutions, including regulations and anti-corruption measures (not Abuse of EU funds by member states)
- 40 National Political corruption (political parties, politicians, abuse of national funds, etc., including regulations and anti-corruption measures)
- 41 Political Authority: Strong Government, Government Stability
- 42 Financing the EC/EU: National contributions to finance the EC/EU (from member states)
- 43 Competences of the European Commission (Powers of the European Commission)
- 44 Competences of the European Council/Council of Ministers (Powers of the European Council/Council of Ministers)
- 45 Voting procedures in the (European) Council
- 46 Competences of the European Court of Justice (references to the powers of the European Court of Justice)
- 47 Competences of Other EC/EU Institutions (References to the Powers of other EC/EU Institutions)
- 48 European Central Bank
- 49 Membership in the EU of East European countries currently not in the EU
- 50 Membership in the EU of Balkan countries currently not in the EU
- 51 Economic structure/policies/goals/conditions (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 52 Free enterprise capitalism
- 53 Private property rights
- 54 Government intervention/control over the economy (prices , wages rents)
- 55 Social Ownership
- 56 Publicly-Owned Industry
- 57 Economic Planning (of long-term economic planning, create of such a plan by authorities.)
- 58 EC/EU Structural Fund (EU funds for underdeveloped regions/areas)
- 59 Government Ownership, nationalisation in general (land. Banks, etc)
- 60 Privatisation (of government owned business or industry)
- 61 Corporatism (involvement of collaborations of employees and trade unions in the economic planning)
- 62 National policy on monopolies, Trusts, consumer and small businesses protection
- 63 Incentives (references to tax and wage policies, financial incentives to start enterprises or stimulate investment)
- 64 Productivity (references to economic growth, the need to increase/facilitate production)
- 65 Technology and Infrastructure (modernization, development of industry, methods of transport, communication, research)

- 66 National energy policy
- 67 National transportation policy
- 68 National media and ICT policy
- 69 Protectionism (as opposed to international cooperation, methods to protect national markets, economic growth)
- 70 Anti-Growth Economy (references to alternative economic planning e.g Green Politics)
- 71 Creating Jobs (specifically)
- 72 Labour Migration
- 73 Single Market/Common market
- 74 Inflation
- 75 Unemployment
- 76 National employment policies
- 77 Stock market and its developments (shares, bonds, AEX, DAX, Dow Jones etc.)
- 78 Business (companies, banks, industry, mergers, manufacturing,)
- 79 Bankruptcy of business, companies, banks (specifically)
- 80 Debt (public debt of a state, a community etc.)
- 81 Taxes
- 82 Trade (international trade), trade deficits
- 83 Wages and Earnings
- 84 Effect of Euro on the Economy
- 85 Effects of financial crisis on domestic/ EU/ global economy (e.g. competitiveness, demand and supply, consumption, business climate) *(If the topic is about the effects of the financial crisis on the DOMESTIC economy, make sure to the code "1" for V6a1!)*
- 86 Environmental Protection
- 87 National environmental policy
- 88 Culture (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 89 National cultural policy (subsidies for theatre's, movies, music etc.; the export of own culture, language etc.
- 90 Social Justice
- 91 Welfare State (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 92 Pensions
- 93 Nursing Services
- 94 National health care policy
- 95 Social Housing
- 96 Child Care
- 97 Education (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 98 National Education Policy
- 99 Multiculturalism (cultural diversity, cultural plurality)
- 100 Law and Order (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 101 Fight against terrorism
- 102 National Crime prevention policy(ies)
- 103 Courts, trials, court decisions

- 104 National Way of Life (reference to patriotism/nationalism, support/opposition for established national ideas and/or values)
- 105 National Immigration policy
- 106 Cyprus Issue
- 107 Labour Groups (references to trade unions, unemployed, employees)
- 108 Agriculture and Farmers (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 109 National Agricultural policy
- 110 Underprivileged Minority Groups (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 111 Handicapped (policies aimed at, treatment)
- 112 Homosexuals
- 113 Gay marriage
- 114 Ethnic Minorities
- 115 Non-economic Demographic Groups (code this if you cannot use specific codes)
- 116 Women (policies aimed at, treatment)
- 117 Abortion
- 118 Old People (policies aimed at, treatment)
- 119 Young People (policies aimed at, treatment)
- 120 Linguistic Groups (policies aimed at, treatment)
- 121 National language policies
- 122 European Elections: European Elections in general
- 123 European Elections: profiles of candidates, politicians, parties; their images and strategic positions
- 124 European Elections: Electioneering, campaigning (strategy, style, finance, fundraising, events, media appearances, endorsements, targeting of electoral groups, political marketing, publicity, advertising)
- 125 Media coverage of the campaign
- 126 European elections: Voters, public opinion, polls, (anticipated) electoral success
- 127 European Election: Voter turnout (e.g. expectations) (only if EU elections)
- 128 European Elections: list of party positions on issues (a “manifesto story“)
- 129 European Elections: Voting procedures (e.g. electronic voting machines, foreign votes)
- 130 European Elections: Election laws, rules, regulations
- 131 European Elections: (Formal, public) debates (as an event) between parties, politicians
- 132 Political consequences of EP election outcome (e.g. for national-level politicians, parties)
- 133 EU-level politicians’ personality (e.g., candidate MEP’s personal character, background, leadership qualities)
- 134 Vote advice for European Elections
- 135 Other EU election-related topics
- 136 National, regional, local elections in EU Countries
- 137 National elections in non-EU Countries
- 138 Other topic related to elections
- 139 Accidents

- 140 Crime story
- 141 Culture (arts, films/movies, theatre, music, media)
- 142 Human interest (soft news: about prominent persons, celebrities, anniversaries, weddings, animals, strange/funny events, etc.)
- 143 (Natural) disasters (earthquakes, floods)
- 144 Religion
- 145 Sports
- 146 Weather Report/ Forecast
- 147 Any other topic

Appendix G: List of EU-Specific Topics

EU-LEVEL POLITICS

Note 1-15: has to be a topic! Otherwise: code the topic the news event is about.

- 01 European Elections in general
- 02 Electioneering, campaigning (strategy, style, finance, fundraising, events, media appearances, endorsements, targeting of electoral groups, political marketing, publicity, advertising) (*not* Election laws, see code 07) (*only* if EU elections)
- 03 Media coverage of the campaign (*only* if EU elections)
- 04 Voters, public opinion, polls, (anticipated) electoral success (*only* if EU elections)
- 05 Voter turnout (e.g. expectations) (*only* if EU elections)
- 06 Voting procedures (e.g. electronic voting machines, foreign votes) (*only* if EU elections)
- 07 Election laws, rules, regulations (*only* in context of EU elections)
- 08 European Parliamentary processes (e.g. distribution of power, legislative procedures)
- 09 EU policy profile of national political parties (e.g. party manifesto on EU integration issues) (*only* in context of EU elections)
- 10 Political party groups/alliances in European Parliament (e.g. political party group profile, internal affairs, conflict, organization, internal elections)
- 11 European Commission reshuffle (e.g. resignations, appointments)
- 12 EU-level politicians' personal features (e.g., candidate MEPs' personality, personal character, background, leadership qualities)
- 13 EU political corruption, fraud, scandals EU-level politicians or institutions (*not* Abuse of EU funds by member states, see code 29)
- 14 Political consequences of EP election outcome (e.g. for national-level politicians, parties)
- 15 Vote advice (*only* in context of EU elections)

- 16 EU political system, reforming EU-institutions and decision making (e.g. *contents* of Lisbon Treaty, (former) European Constitution(al Treaty), qualified majority voting, right to veto, power hierarchy of EU institutions, etc.)
- 17 EU's democratic deficit (e.g. distance or 'gap' between the EU and its citizens or the responsiveness of the EU towards its citizens, citizens feeling not represented or understood by the EU)
- 18 Power/competences of the European Parliament
- 19 Lisbon Treaty negotiation and ratification process (via national parliaments or referendums)
- 20 EU referendums (in general or as an instrument of direct democracy at the EU level)

- 21 EU presidency of member state
- 22 Financial contribution to EU of member state(s)

- 23 Subsidiarity and sovereignty, delegation and transference of decision making power national capitals and Brussels
- 24 Enlargement (negotiations, criteria, pros and cons) of EU with Turkey
- 25 Enlargement (negotiations, criteria, pros and cons) of EU with Croatia
- 26 Enlargement (negotiations, criteria, pros and cons) of EU with Iceland
- 27 Enlargement (negotiations, criteria, pros and cons) of EU with other (potential) candidate member state

- 28 EU budget, EU spending in general
- 29 EU monetary policy, Stability and Growth Pact (e.g. breaches of the Pact)
- 30 Abuse of EU funds by member states
- 31 The euro: currency rate, inflation
- 32 The euro: euro-zone, introduction of the euro in member state (incl. referendum on the euro)
- 33 European Central Bank, euro interest rates
- 34 Stock market and its developments, financial markets (shares, bonds, AEX, DAX, Dow Jones, etc.) (EU-wide)
- 35 State of the EU economy, current situation and outlook, growth, shrinkage, effects of financial crisis on domestic economy (e.g. competitiveness, demand and supply, consumption, business climate) (*not* national economy)
- 36 EU economic policy (*not* national economic policy), stimulus packages (*not* EU monetary policy, see code 28)
- 37 EU domestic security, justice (judicial system) and anti-crime policy
- 38 European Court of Justice (e.g. court cases)
- 39 EU immigration policy, external borders, asylum (e.g. EU border protection)
- 40 EU internal borders policy (e.g. Schengen agreement)
- 41 EU internal market policy (e.g. freedom of movement, persons, goods, services within EU, including EU-wide financial regulation)
- 42 EU foreign affairs and defence policy (EU army, EU peacekeeping missions)
- 43 EU external relations and European neighbourhood policy (e.g., EU-Russia relations, EU-US relations, EU-China relations, EU conflict with external party)
- 44 EU trade policy (e.g. EU tariffs and import quotas towards non-member states)
- 45 EU development and humanitarian aid policy
- 46 EU agricultural policy (e.g. subsidies for farmers, food safety, genetically modified food)
- 47 EU budget for agriculture in general
- 48 EU maritime affairs and fisheries policy
- 49 EU consumer protection policy (non-food products and services)
- 50 EU employment policy (e.g. wage policies, social affairs)
- 51 EU competition policy (incl. investigations into state aid, mergers, take-overs, fixed prices, carving up of markets)
- 52 EU energy policy (e.g. securing energy supply, EU contracts with Gazprom and other suppliers)
- 53 EU science and research policy
- 54 EU environmental policy

- 55 EU transportation policy
- 56 EU regional policy
- 57 EU health care policy
- 58 EU education policy
- 59 EU media and ICT policy
- 60 EU cultural policy
- 61 European culture, history, identity
- 62 Other EU-specific topic
- 99 Not applicable (not a single EU-specific topic discernable)

Appendix H: List of Political Parties

AT

- 1 Österreichische Volkspartei (ÖVP)
- 2 Sozialdemokratische Partei Österreichs (SPÖ)
- 3 Die Grünen - Die Grüne Alternative (GRÜNE)
- 4 Freiheitliche Partei Österreichs (FPÖ)
- 5 Liste Dr. Martin - für Demokratie, Kontrolle, Gerechtigkeit (Martin)
- 6 Bündnis Zukunft Österreich – Mag. Ewald Stadler (BZÖ)
- 7 Kommunistische Partei Österreichs – Europaeische Linke (KPÖ)

BE (VL + WA)

- 1 Christen-Democratisch en Vlaams (CD&V)
- 2 Nieuw-Vlaamse Alliantie (NV-A)
- 3 Centre Démocrate Humaniste (CDH)
- 4 Open Vlaamse Liberalen en Democraten (Open VLD)
- 5 Mouvement Réformateur (MR)
- 6 Parti Socialiste (PS)
- 7 Socialistische Partij Anders (sp.a)
- 8 Groen!
- 9 Écologistes Confédérés pour l'organisation de luttes originales (Écolo)
- 10 Vlaams Belang (VB)
- 11 Sociaal Liberale Partij (SLP)
- 12 Lijst Dedecker (LDD)
- 13 Comité voor een andere politiek (CAP)
- 14 Rassamblement Wallonie France (RWF)
- 15 Wallonie d'Abord (Wallonie d'Abord)
- 16 Parti Communiste – Gauche européenne (PC)
- 17 Front National (FN)
- 18 Comité pour une autre politique (CAP D'Orazio)
- 19 Parti du travail de Belgique (PTB+)
- 20 Partij van de Arbeid (PVDA+)

BG

- 1 Coalition for Bulgaria (BSP)
- 2 NDSV
- 3 DPS
- 4 ATAKA
- 5 GERB
- 6 Siniata koalitsia (SDS-DSB)
- 7 NAPRED
- 8 RZS
- 9 LIDER
- 10 Bulgarian New Democracy (BND)

CY

- 1 AKEL
- 2 DISY
- 3 DI.KO
- 4 Marios Matsakis (Independent)
- 5 EDEK
- 6 Greens
- 7 EVROKO
- 8 KEK
- 9 ELAM

CZ

- 1 ODS
- 2 CSSD
- 3 KSCM
- 4 KDU-CSL
- 5 SNK ED
- 6 EDS
- 7 SZ
- 8 Nezavisli
- 9 Strana svobodnych obcanu
- 10 Libertas.cz

DE

- 1 Christlich Demokratische Union Deutschlands (CDU)
- 2 Christlich-Soziale Union in Bayern (CSU)
- 3 Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands (SPD)
- 4 Freie Demokratische Partei (FDP)
- 5 Grünen (Grüne)
- 6 Die Linke
- 7 Die Tierschutzpartei (Tierschutz)
- 8 Die Republikaner (REP)
- 9 Familie
- 10 Die Frauen
- 11 PBC
- 12 DVU
- 13 Newropeans

DK

- 1 V. Venstre (V)
- 2 A. Socialdemokratiet (S)
- 3 O. Dansk Folkeparti (DF)
- 4 F. Socialistik Folkepartiet (SF)
- 5 C. Det Konservative Folkepartiet (KF)
- 6 B. Det Radikale Venstre (RV)
- 7 N. Folkebevægelsen mod EU

- 8 J. JuniBevægelsen
9 Y. Liberal Alliance (LA)
- EE**
- 1 Eesti Reformierakond (ER)
2 Isamaa ja Res Publica Liit (IRL)
3 Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond (SDE)
4 Eesti Keskerakond (KE)
5 Erakond Eestimaa Rohelised (EER)
6 Eestima Rahvaliid (ERL)
7 Libertas Eesti Erakond (LEE)
8 Vene Erakond Eestis (VEE)
9 Pollumeeste Kogu (PK)
10 Eestimaa Uhendatud Vasakpartei (EUVP)
11 Eesti Kristlikud Demokraadid (EKD)
- ES**
- 1 Partido Socialista Obrero Espanol (PSOE)
2 Partido Popular (PP)
3 La Izquierda (IU+ICV+EUiA+BA)
4 Europa por los Pueblos-Verdes (EdP-V)
5 Coalicion por Europa (CEU)
6 Union, Progreso y Democracia (UPyD)
7 Libertas-Ciudadanos de Espana
8 Izquierda Anticapitalista-Revolta Global (IZAN-RG)
- FI**
- 1 Suomen Keskusta (KESK)
2 Kansallinen Kokoomus (KOK)
3 Suomen Sosialidemokraattinen Puolue (SDP)
4 Vasemmistoliitto (VAS)
5 Vihreä Liitto (VIHR)
6 Ruotsalainen Kansanpuolue/Svenska Folkepartiet i Finland (RKP/SFP)
7 Vaaliliitossa / I Valforbund (KD-PS)
8 Köyhien Asialla
9 Suomen Työväenpuolue (STP)
10 Suomen Kommunistinen Puolue (SKP)
11 Suomen Senioripuolue (SSP)
12 Itsenäisyyspuolue
- FR**
- 1 Union pour un mouvement populaire (UMP+NC)
2 Parti Socialiste (PS)
3 Mouvement Démocrate (MoDem)
4 Europe Ecologie (Verts)
5 Front de Gauche (Parti communiste français+Parti de gauche)
6 Libertas (Libertas+MPF+CPNT)

- 7 Front National (FN)
- 8 Debout la République
- 9 Nouveau parti anticapitaliste/Pas question de payer leur crise (NPA)
- 10 Lutte Ouvriere (LO)
- 11 Newropeans

GR

- 1 Nea Dimocracia
- 2 PASOK
- 3 KKE
- 4 Syriza
- 5 LAOS
- 6 Oikologoi Prassinoi
- 7 Fileleftheri Symmaia
- 8 Enossi Kendroon

HU

- 1 MSZP
- 2 FIDESZ – KDNP
- 3 SzDSz
- 4 MDF
- 5 Jobbik
- 6 Lehet más a politika! (LMP-HP)

IE

- 1 Fianna Fail (FF)
- 2 Fine Gael (FG)
- 3 The Labour Party (Lab)
- 4 Sinn Fein (SF)
- 5 Green Party/Comhaontas Glas (GP)
- 6 The Socialist Party (SP)
- 7 Libertas

IT

- 1 Popolo della Liberta
- 2 UDC
- 3 Partito Democratico
- 4 Sinistra e Liberta (SD+Verdi+PS+US+RpS)
- 5 PdCI-PRC-S2000-CU
- 6 Lega Nord
- 7 Fiamma Tricolore-Destra Sociale
- 8 L'Autonomia (Pensionati+La Destra+Mpa+AdC)
- 9 Italia dei Valori-Lista Di Pietro

LT

- 1 Tėvynės Sąjunga (TS-LKD)

- 2 Lietuvos socialdemokratų partija (LSDP)
- 3 Darbo partija (DP)
- 4 Lietuvos Respublikos Liberalų Sąjūdis (LRLS)
- 5 Lietuvos valstiečių liaudininkų sąjunga (LVLS)
- 6 Liberalų ir Centro Sąjunga (LiCS)
- 7 Partija "Tvarka ir teisingumas" (TT)
- 8 Tautos Prisikėlimo Partija (TPP)

LU

- 1 CSV
- 2 LSAP
- 3 DP
- 4 Déi Gréng
- 5 ADR
- 6 Déi Lénk
- 7 KPL
- 8 Bierger Lescht

LV

- 1 Tautas Partija (TP)
- 2 Jaunais Laiks (JL)
- 3 "Tēvzemei un Brīvībai" /LNNK
- 4 PCTVL
- 5 Pilsoniskā Savienība (PS)
- 6 Latvijas Pirmā Partija - Latvijas Ceļš (LPP-LC)
- 7 Latvijas Sociāldemokrātiska Stradnieku Partija (LSDSP)
- 8 Ricibas partija (Rp)
- 9 Saskanas Centrs (SC)
- 10 Libertas.lv
- 11 Zaļo un Zemnieku Savienība (ZZS)
- 12 Sabiedrība Citai Politikai (SCP)
- 13 Visu Latvijai! (VL)
- 14 Par Dzimteni!
- 15 Osipova partija (Op)
- 16 Latvijas Atdzimsanas partija (LA)
- 17 Kristīgi demokrātiska savienība (Kds)

MT

- 1 Partit Nazzjonalista (PN)
- 2 Partit Laburista (MPL)
- 3 Alternattiva Demokratika – The Green Party (AD)
- 4 Alleanza Liberali Demokratika Malta (AL)
- 5 Alpha Liberal Democratic Party (APDL)
- 6 Azzjoni Nazzjonali (AN)
- 7 Imperium Europa (IE)
- 8 Kul Ewropa (KE)

- 9 Libertas Malta
- 10 Partit Tal-Ajkla (TA)

NL

- 1 Christen-Democratisch Appèl (CDA)
- 2 Partij van de Arbeid (PvdA)
- 3 Volkspartij voor Vrijheid en Democratie (VVD)
- 4 GroenLinks (GL)
- 5 Socialistische Partij (SP)
- 6 ChristenUnie-SGP
- 7 Democraten 66 (D66)
- 8 Partij voor de Vrijheid (PVV)
- 9 Newropeans
- 10 Europa Voordelig! En duurzaam
- 11 Solidara
- 12 Partij voor de Dieren (PvdD)
- 13 Europese Klokkenluiderspartij (EKP)
- 14 De Groenen
- 15 Liberaal Democratische Partij
- 16 Partij voor Europese Politiek (PEP)
- 17 Libertas

PL

- 1 Platforma Obywatelska Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej (PO)
- 2 Prawo i Sprawiedliwość (PiS)
- 3 Sojusz Lewicy Demokratycznej – Unia Pracy (SLD-UP)
- 4 Porozumienie dla Przyszłości – CentroLewica (PdP-CL)
- 5 Polskie Stronnictwo Ludowe (PSL)
- 6 Samoobrona Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej (SO)
- 7 Unia Polityki Realnej (UPR)
- 8 Prawica Rzeczypospolitej (PRP)
- 9 Polska Partia Pracy (PPP)
- 10 Libertas

PT

- 1 Partido Socialista (PS)
- 2 Bloco de Esquerda (BE)
- 3 Partido Popular (CDS-PP)
- 4 Coligação Democrática Unitária (CDU)
- 5 Partido Social Democrata (PPD-PSD)
- 6 Movimento Mérito e Sociedade (MMS)
- 7 Partido Comunista dos Trabalhadores Portugueses (PCTP-MRPP)
- 8 Partido Operário da Unidade Socialista (POUS)
- 9 Partido Humanista (PH)
- 10 Partido Popular Monárquico (PPM)
- 11 Partido da Terra (MPT)
- 12 Partido Nacional Renovador (PNR)

13 Movimento Esperança Portugal (MEP)

RO

1 Alianta Electorala PSD+PC (PSD+PC)
2 Partidul National Liberal (PNL)
3 Partidul Democrat Liberal (PD-L)
4 UDMR
5 Partidul Romania Mare (PRM)
6 Elena Basescu
7 Pavel Avraham
8 Forta Civica
9 Partidul National Taranesc Crestin Democrat (PNTCD)

SE

1 Centerpartiet (C)
2 Kristdemokraterna (KD)
3 Folkpartiet liberalerna (FP)
4 Moderata Samlingspartiet (M)
5 Vansterpartiet (Vp)
6 Arbetarepartiet-Socialdemokraterna (S)
7 Miljöpartiet-de gröna (MP)
8 Junilistan
9 Feministiskt initiativ (F!)
10 Sverigedemokraterna (SD)
11 Piratpartiet (PP)

SI

1 Socialni Demokrati (SD)
2 Slovenska Demokratska Stranka (SDS)
3 Liberalna Demokracija Slovenije (LDS)
4 Nova Slovenija – Krscanska Ljudska Stranka (N.Si)
5 Zares – nova politika
6 Slovenska Ljudska Stranka (SLS)
7 DeSUS
8 Slovenska Nacionalna Stranka (SNS)
9 Stranka Mladih Slovenije (SMS)
10 Neodvisna Lista za Pravice Bolnikov (NLPB)
11 Krscanski Socialisti Slovenije (KSS)
12 Združeni Zeleni (ZZ)

SK

1 Smer - Sociálna demokracia (SMER)
2 Slovenská demokratická a kresťanská únia (SDKU – DS)
3 Strana maďarskej koalície (SMK/MKP)
4 Ľudová strana - Hnutie za demokratické Slovensko (L'S-HZDS)
5 Kresťansko-demokratické hnutie (KDH)

- 6 Slovenská národná strana (SNS)
- 7 Komunistická strana Slovenska (KSS)
- 8 Slobodné fórum (SF)

UK

- 1 Conservative Party
- 2 The Labour Party
- 3 Liberal Democrats
- 4 Scottish National Party
- 5 Sinn Fein
- 6 UK Independence Party (UKIP)
- 7 Plaid Cymru
- 8 The Green Party
- 9 British National Party (BNP)
- 10 Pro Democracy: Libertas.eu
- 11 Alliance Party
- 12 Christian Party
- 13 England Democrats
- 14 No2EU: Yes To Democracy
- 15 Democratic Unionist Party

APPENDIX I: Results of inter-coder reliability test

Content analyses data ought to demonstrate reliability. Of the reliability measures available in the content analysis literature, Krippendorff's alpha is increasingly accepted as the standard, i.e. the best suited measure, for testing of inter-coder reliability. Krippendorff's alpha generalizes across different measurement scales, can be used not only with any number of coders, but also with missing data. Unlike other measures, Krippendorff's alpha satisfies crucial criteria for a proper reliability measure.

There is no formally adopted lower-bound acceptable level of inter-coder agreement, but in the light of our research purposes, we conceive of .60 (on a scale from 0.00 to 1.00) as an acceptable lower limit of reliability when Krippendorff's alpha is used. We have calculated in the below table a reliability score for each question. There are some questions which show low reliability due to the range of categories, e.g. topic. However, this question is usually used after collapsing categories (e.g. EU vs. non-EU related topics). That the questions and categories may be transformed before use in analysis should be taken into account when using the reliability scores below.

The reliability tests were conducted at both locations with strictly identical material and training procedures (for exact procedure see 'training sessions' above). Two members of the Amsterdam team participated in the coder training in Exeter to assure comparability. The results of the reliability tests are largely comparable across location, pointing to the absence of training effects and assuring and reaffirming quality control over the coder training procedure.

All scores below represent Krippendorff's alpha coefficients. They are based on 35 randomly selected news stories (newspaper and TV) which were coded by 53 coders at both locations (Exeter and Amsterdam).

Variable	Combined test (Krippendorff alpha)
NP3	0,68
NP4	0,71
V5a	0,19
V11a	0,68
V11b	0,51
V12	0,25
V13 FILTER	0,8
V14a	0,45
V21a	0,39
V26	0,48
V27	0,54
V28	0,74
V29a	0,74
V29b	0,74
V29c	0,74
V30a	0,8
V30b	0,72
V30c	0,82

V30d	0,83
V30e	0,76
V30f	0,76
V31	0,6
V32	0,63
V33	0,47
V34a	0,51
V35	0,57
V36a	0,45
V37	0,74
V38	0,76
V39	0,68
V40	0,8
V41	0,62
V42	0,77
V43	0,54
V44	0,53
V45	0,77
V46 FILTER	0,88
V47	0,66
V50	0,81
V51	0,73
V52	0,54
V53	0,61
V54	0,52
V55	0,79
V56	0,77
V57	0,83
V58	0,65
V59	0,85
V60	0,75