

POLICY POSITIONING IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: SUPPLEMENTARY APPENDIX

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Appendix A: Full List of Political Groups in EP, 1957-2010

Name	Abbreviation	Abbrev. equivalencies	Formed	Dissolved	Notes
European People's Party	EPP	CD/ PPE app.	1953	Present	Christian Democratic Group (CD) until 1979
Party of European Socialists	S&D	S/PES	1953	Present	Socialist Group until 1993, Socialists and Democrats from 2009
Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe	ALDE	ELDR/L LDR	1953	Present	Liberal Group/Liberal and Democratic Group (1976)/Liberal Democratic and Reformist Group (1986)/ALDE (2004)
European Democratic Group	ED	C	1973	1992	Formerly European Conservatives until 1979
European Democratic Alliance	RDE	DEP	1965	1995	Formerly (until 1973) the European Democratic Union, then European Progressive Democrats (DEP).
Communists	COM		1973	1989	
Union for Europe	UPE		1995	1999	Alliance of FE and RDE
European Right	DR		1984	1994	Forced dissolution as failure to meet required numbers to form a group
Rainbow Group	ARC		1984	1994	
Greens/European Free Alliance	V	Verts/ ALE	1989	Present	
Left Unity	CG		1989	1994	
Group for the European United Left	GUE		1989	1993	
European United Left/Nordic Green Alliance	GUE/NGL		1994	Present	Primarily based on Left Unity parties and reformist groups from dissolved GUE that had survived 1994 election.
European Radical Alliance	ARE		1994	1999	
Forza Europe	FE		1994	1995	Merges with European Democratic Alliance in 1995
Independence and Democracy	iD	IND/ DEM EDD	1999	2009	Equivalent Europe of Democracies and Diversities (EDD) (1999-1994)
Europe of Nations Group	EDN	EDN/ I-EDN	1994	1999	
Union for a Europe of Nations	UEN		1999	2009	Modified Version of EDN. Dissolved in 2009 when two largest national parties migrated to other groups.
Identity, Tradition, Sovereignty	ITS		2007	2007	Jan-Nov 2007. Forced dissolution under EP party formation rules when the Greater Romania Party withdrew from the group.
European Conservatives and	ECR		2009	Present	

Reformists Group					
European of Freedom and Democracy	EFD		2009	Present	Largely made up of elements of iD and some former members of UEN
Technical Group for the Defence of Independent Groups and Members	CDI	I	1979	1984	Technical Group
Technical Group of Independent Members	TDI		1999	2001	Dissolved as Court of First Instance uphold ECJ ruling that groups with no coherent policy agenda are not permitted.

Appendix B: Detailed Expert Survey results

Dimension	GUE/NGL	Gr/EFA	S&D	ALDE	EPP	ECR	EFD
Left-Right	2.9 [2.3, 3.5]	4.4 [3.7, 5.1]	7.8 [7.2, 8.4]	11.9 [11, 12.7]	13.5 [12.9, 14.2]	17.1 [16.3, 17.9]	18.6 [17.9, 19.4]
Economic (Deregulation)	3.4 [1.6, 5.1]	4.2 [3.7, 4.7]	6.3 [5.4, 7.2]	14.2 [12.5, 16]	12.9 [11.7, 14.2]	16.5 [15.8, 17.2]	14.7 [12.7, 16.7]
Economic (Spending v. Taxes)	3.7 [1.9, 5.5]	4.5 [3.8, 5.2]	6.8 [6.1, 7.5]	14.2 [12.6, 15.7]	13.5 [12.4, 14.6]	16.4 [15.6, 17.2]	15.0 [13.7, 16.3]
Social	4.9 [2.9, 6.9]	2.7 [1.9, 3.5]	5.3 [4.3, 6.3]	4.2 [3.2, 5.2]	13.7 [12.7, 14.8]	15.3 [13.5, 17]	16.4 [14.9, 18]
Environmental Policy	7.3 [5.4, 9.3]	1.7 [1.4, 2]	8.9 [7.7, 10.1]	11.7 [10, 13.4]	12.5 [11.9, 13.1]	15.1 [14.2, 16]	14.6 [12.8, 16.5]
EU Scope of Authority	13.2 [11.2, 15.2]	7.2 [5.2, 9.1]	6.7 [5.4, 8]	5.5 [4.7, 6.3]	6.8 [5.6, 8]	17.4 [16.3, 18.4]	19.3 [18.8, 19.8]
EU Federalism	13.9 [12.4, 15.4]	7.3 [4.8, 9.7]	7.4 [6.4, 8.5]	6.1 [5, 7.1]	7.9 [6.2, 9.7]	18.2 [17.4, 18.9]	19.9 [19.7, 20.1]
Immigration	5.6 [3.6, 7.7]	3.4 [2.2, 4.6]	7.9 [6.7, 9.1]	7.4 [5.8, 9.1]	12.7 [11.3, 14.1]	15.9 [14.3, 17.6]	18.6 [17.9, 19.2]
Collective Security	15.6 [14.4, 16.7]	13.6 [11, 16.2]	7.3 [5.5, 9]	6.9 [5.5, 8.4]	7.1 [5.2, 9]	16.3 [14.9, 17.7]	18.5 [17.8, 19.3]
Decentralization/Subsidiarity	7.0 [5.1, 8.9]	9.9 [7.3, 12.6]	13.1 [12.2, 14.1]	12.5 [10.5, 14.6]	11.0 [9.2, 12.8]	3.1 [2.1, 4.1]	2.3 [1.2, 3.4]
Sympathy/Close to Respondent	14.2 [12.2, 16.3]	7.5 [5.4, 9.5]	6.1 [4.6, 7.6]	6.4 [4.5, 8.4]	10.1 [8.2, 12]	16.6 [15.3, 18]	19.3 [18.6, 20]

Table B1. Policy Positions of European Party Groups, 2010.

95% confidence intervals in brackets (from 19 respondents).

Dimension	GUE/NGL	Gr/EFA	S&D	ALDE	EPP	ECR	EFD
Economic (Deregulation)	16.1 [14.2, 17.9]	12.9 [11.1, 14.8]	14.8 [13.3, 16.3]	15.4 [13.9, 17]	13.8 [12.1, 15.4]	15.5 [14.2, 16.8]	10.8 [8.1, 13.4]
Economic (Spending v. Taxes)	15.6 [13.8, 17.4]	13.3 [11.5, 15.1]	14.1 [12.6, 15.6]	16.0 [14.7, 17.3]	13.7 [12.3, 15.2]	16.0 [14.7, 17.3]	10.0 [6.9, 13.1]
Social	13.7 [11.2, 16.2]	16.3 [14.5, 18]	13.6 [11.9, 15.4]	15.8 [14.9, 16.8]	12.5 [11, 14]	14.5 [13, 16]	13.9 [11.3, 16.4]
Environmental Policy	13.0 [10.8, 15.2]	19.4 [19, 19.7]	12.7 [11.4, 14]	13.1 [11.9, 14.2]	11.7 [10.5, 12.9]	12.5 [10.3, 14.8]	10.2 [7.4, 13.1]
EU Scope of Authority	12.6 [10.5, 14.8]	13.1 [11.1, 15]	12.6 [10.9, 14.2]	14.1 [12.5, 15.7]	13.4 [11.8, 15.1]	17.0 [15.9, 18.1]	19.2 [18.7, 19.7]
EU Federalism	11.7 [9.3, 14.1]	13.3 [11.8, 14.8]	12.0 [10.2, 13.8]	13.4 [11.7, 15.1]	12.9 [11.6, 14.3]	17.8 [16.9, 18.7]	19.6 [19.2, 20]
Immigration	12.7 [10.6, 14.8]	14.1 [11.9, 16.2]	12.2 [11, 13.4]	12.6 [11.5, 13.8]	12.8 [11.3, 14.4]	14.5 [12.8, 16.3]	16.5 [14, 19]
Collective Security	12.2 [9.7, 14.7]	11.8 [8.7, 14.9]	12.1 [10.3, 13.8]	12.0 [9.6, 14.4]	13.4 [11.5, 15.2]	13.6 [11.7, 15.4]	15.9 [13.7, 18.1]
Decentralization/Subsidiarity	12.2 [10.1, 14.3]	12.6 [11.3, 13.9]	11.5 [10.1, 12.8]	12.3 [10.9, 13.8]	12.2 [11.1, 13.4]	16.9 [15.9, 18]	18.2 [16.8, 19.6]

Table B2. Policy Importance, 2010.

95% confidence intervals in brackets.

Appendix C. Party Group Membership of National Parties (June 2010)

EP party group	Country	Party label	Party name	Total MEPS
ALDE	BE	MCC	Citizen Movement for Change	1
ALDE	BE	MR	Mouvement Reformateur	2
ALDE	BE	VLD	Vlaamse Liberalen en Demokraten	3
ALDE	BU	N Д С В	National Movement for Stability and Progress	2
ALDE	BU	DPS	Movement for Rights and Freedoms	3
ALDE	DK	V	Venstre, Danmarks liberale parti	3
ALDE	EE	Ref	Eesti Reformierakond	3
ALDE	FI	SFP	Svenska Folkepartiet i Finland	1
ALDE	FI	KESK	Suomen Keskusta	3
ALDE	FR	CAP21	Citoyenneté Action Participation pour le 21ème siècle	1
ALDE	FR	MoDem	Mouvement Democratique	5
ALDE	DE	FDP	Freie Demokratische Partei	12
ALDE	IE		Independent	1
ALDE	IE	FF	Fianna Fail	3
ALDE	IT	It.Val.	Lista di Pietro Italia dei Valori	7
ALDE	LV	LPP/LC	Latvijas Pirma Partija/Latvijas Celš	1
ALDE	LT	LRLS	Lietuvos Respublikos liberalų sąjūdis	1
ALDE	LT	DP	Darbo Partija	1
ALDE	LU	DP	Parti Democratique/ Demokratesch Partei	1
ALDE	NL	D66	Democraten 66	3
ALDE	NL	VVD	Volkspartij voor Vrijheid en Democratie	3
ALDE	RO	PNL	Partidul National Liberal	5
ALDE	SK	L'S-HZDS	L'udová strana - Hnutie za Demokratické	1
ALDE	SI	Zares	ZARES-Nova Politika	1
ALDE	SI	LDS	Liberalna Demokracija Slovenije	1
ALDE	ES	CDC	Convergència Democràtica de Catalunya	1
ALDE	ES	PNV	Partido Nacionalista Vasco	1
ALDE	SE	C	Centerpartiet	1
ALDE	SE	FP	Folkpartiet Liberalerna	3
ALDE	UK	LIB	Liberal Party	12
ECR	BE	LDL	Lijst Dedecker	1
ECR	CZ	ODS	Civic Democratic Party	9
ECR	HU	MDF	Magyar Demokrata Forum	1
ECR	LV	TB/LNNK	Alliance Fatherland and Freedom-LNNK	1
ECR	LT	LLRA	Lietuvos lenkų rinkimų akcija	1
ECR	NL	CU	ChristenUnie	2
ECR	NI	UUP	Ulster Unionist / The Conservative Party	1
ECR	PL	PiS	Law and Justice	15
ECR	UK	Con	Conservative Party	24
EFD	DK	DF	Dansk Folkeparti	2
EFD	FI	PS	Perussuomalaiset	1

EFD	FR	MPF	Mouvement pour la France	1
EFD	GR	LA.OS	Laikos Orthodoxos Synagermos	2
EFD	IT	LN	Lega Nord	9
EFD	LT	LDP	Liberal Democratic Party	2
EFD	NL	SGP	Staatkundig Gereformeerde Partij	1
EFD	SK	SNS	Slovak National Party	1
EFD	UK	UKIP	UK Independence Party	11
EPP	AT	OVP	Austrian People's Party	6
EPP	BE	CSP	Christlich Soziale Partei	1
EPP	BE	CDH	Parti Social ChrÃ©tien	1
EPP	BE	CD&V	Christelijke Volkspartij	3
EPP	BU		Blue Coalition	1
EPP	BU	CUED	Citizens for European Development of Bulgaria	5
EPP	CY	DISI	Dimokratikos Sinagermos	2
EPP	CZ	KDU	Christian and Democratic Union-Czechoslovak People	2
EPP	DK	KF	Konservative Folkeparti	1
EPP	ES	IRL	Isamaa ja Res Publica Liit	1
EPP	FI	KD	Suomen Kristillisdemokraatit	1
EPP	FI	KOK	Kansallinen Kokoomus	3
EPP	FR	GM	Gauche Moderne	1
EPP	FR	NC	Nouveau Centre	3
EPP	FR	UMP	Union pour un Mouvement Populaire	25
EPP	DE	CDU/CSU	Christlich Demokratische Union/Christlich Soziale Union	42
EPP	GR	ND	Nea Dimokratia	8
EPP	HU	FIDESZ	Christian and Democratic Union-Czechoslovak People	14
EPP	IR	FG	Fine Gael	4
EPP	IT		Io Amo L'Italia	1
EPP	IT	PDL	Il Popolo della Liberta	28
EPP	IT	SVP	SÃ¼dtiroler Volkspartei (Partito popolare sÃ¼dtirolese)	1
EPP	IT	UDEUR	Popolari UDEUR	1
EPP	IT	UDC	Centro	4
EPP	LV	PS	Pilsoniska Savieniba	2
EPP	LV	JL	Jaunais laiks	1
EPP	LI	TS	Homeland Union	4
EPP	LU	CSV	Christian Social People's Party	3
EPP	PL	PSL	Polskie Stronnictwo Ludowe	3
EPP	PL	PO	Platforma Obywatelska	25
EPP	PT	CDS/PP	Partido Popular	2
EPP	PT	PSD	Partido Social Democrata	8
EPP	RO	PD-L	Partidul Democrat-Liberal	11
EPP	RO	UDMR	Uniunea Democrată Maghiară din România	3
EPP	SK	SKDU-DS	Strana mad'arskej koalicie - Magyar Koalíció Pártja	4
EPP	SK	KDH	Christian Democratic Movement	2
EPP	SI	NSi	Nova Slovenija - Krščanska ljudska stranka	1
EPP	SI	SDS	Slovenska demokratska stranka	2
EPP	ES	PP	Partido Popular	23
EPP	SW	KD	Kristdemokraterna	1

EPP	SW	M	Moderata Samlingspartiet	4
Greens	AT	GRU	The Greens	2
Greens	BE	N-VA	De Volksunie	1
Greens	BE	Gro!	Anders Gaan Leven	1
Greens	BE	Eco	Ecolo	2
Greens	DK	SF	Socialistisk Folkeparti	2
Greens	ES		Independent	1
Greens	FI	VIHR	Vihreä Liitto	2
Greens	FR	P-N-C	U Partitu di a Nazione Corsa	1
Greens	FR		Europe Ecologie	13
Greens	DE	B90/GRU	Bündnis 90/Die Grünen	14
Greens	GR	Ecogreens	Oikologoi prasinoi	1
Greens	LV	PCTVL	For Human Rights in a United Latvia	1
Greens	LU	G	The Green	1
Greens	NL	GL	Groen Links	3
Greens	ES	ICV	Iniciativa per Catalunya Verds	1
Greens	ES	ERC	Esquerra Republicana de Catalunya	1
Greens	SE		Piratpartiet	1
Greens	SE	MP	Miljöpartiet de Gröna	2
Greens	UK	PCy	Plaid Cymru	1
Greens	UK	GPEW	Green Party of England and Wales	2
Greens	UK	SNP	Scottish National Party	2
GUE/NGL	CY	AKEL	Anorthotikon Komma Ergazemenou Laou	2
GUE/NGL	CZ	KSCM	Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia	4
GUE/NGL	DK		Folkebevægelsen mod EU	1
GUE/NGL	FR	PCR	Parti communiste réunionnais	1
GUE/NGL	FR		Front de gauche pour changer d'Europe	4
GUE/NGL	DE	LIN	Die Linke	8
GUE/NGL	GR	SYN	Synaspismos	1
GUE/NGL	GR	KKE	Kommunistiko Koma Ellados	2
GUE/NGL	IR	SP	Páirtí Sóisialach	1
GUE/NGL	LV		Saskanas centrs	1
GUE/NGL	NL	SP	Socialistische Partij	2
GUE/NGL	NI	SF	Sinn Féin	1
GUE/NGL	PT	CDU	Coligação Democrática Unitária (PCP-PEV)	1
GUE/NGL	PT	PCP	Partido Comunista Português	1
GUE/NGL	PT	BE	Bloco de Esquerda	3
GUE/NGL	ES	IU	Izquierda Unida	1
GUE/NGL	SW	V	Vänsterpartiet	1
NI	AT		Independent	1
NI	AT		Liste Dr. Martin	2
NI	AT	FPO	Freiheitliche Partei Österreichs	2
NI	BE	VB	Vlaams Belang	2
NI	BU	NUA	Attack	2
NI	FR	FN	Front National	3
NI	HU	JOBBIK	Jobbik Magyarországért Mozgalom	3
NI	NL	PvdA	Partij van de Arbeid	4

NI	NI	DUP	Democratic Unionist Party (Northern Ireland)	1
NI	RO	PRM	Partidul Romania Mare	3
NI	ES	UPD	Unión, Progreso y Democracia	1
NI	UK	BNP	British National Party	2
NI	UK	UKIP	UK Independence Party	2
PPE	MA	NP	Partit Nazzjonalista	2
PPE	NL	CDA	Christen Democratisch Appel	5
S&D	AT	SPO	Sozialdemokratische Partei Austerreichs	4
S&D	BE	SPSp	Socialistische Partij Anders/Sociaal-Liberale Partij	2
S&D	BE	PS	Parti Socialiste	3
S&D	BU	KzB	Koalizija za Balgarija	4
S&D	CY	EDEK	Kinima Sosialdimokraton EDEK	1
S&D	CY	DIKO	Dimokratikon Komma	1
S&D	CZ	CSSD	Czech Social Democratic Party	7
S&D	DK	SD	Socialdemokratiet i Danmark	4
S&D	EE	SDE	Sotsiaaldemokraatlik Erakond	1
S&D	FI	SDP	Suomen Sosialidemokraattinen Puolue	2
S&D	FR	PS	Parti Socialiste	14
S&D	DE	SPD	Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands	23
S&D	GR	PASOK	Panellinio Sosialistiko Kinima	8
S&D	HU	MSZP	Hungarian Socialist Party	4
S&D	IR	LB	Labour	3
S&D	LV		Independent	1
S&D	LI	LSDP	Lietuvos Socialdemokratu Partija	3
S&D	LU	LSAP	Parti Ouvrier Socialiste Luxembourgeois/	1
S&D	MA	MLP	Partit Laburista	3
S&D	NL	PvdA	Partij van de Arbeid	3
S&D	PL	UP	Unia Pracy	1
S&D	PO	SLD	Sojusz Lewicy Demokratycznej	6
S&D	PT	PS	Partido Socialista	6
S&D	RO	PC	Partidul Conservator	1
S&D	RO	PSD	Partidul Social Democrat	10
S&D	SK	Smer-SD	SMER-Sociálna demokracia	5
S&D	SI	SD	Socialni demokrati	2
S&D	ES	PSC	Partit dels Socialistes de Catalunya	1
S&D	ES	PSOE	Partido Socialista Obrero Espagnol	20
S&D	SW	SAP	Socialdemokratiska Arbetarepartiet	5
S&D	UK	Lab	Labour Party	13
S&D	IT	PD	Partito Democratico	21
Total				737

Note: Party group affiliations are taken from June 2010.