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The rightwing win the European elections marked by a populist ascension in several Member States

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Results

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The right wing came out ahead in the European elections that took place in the 28 EU Member States between 22nd and 25th May. The European People's Party (EPP) won 28,36% of the vote and 213 seats – a number in decline in comparison with the previous election 4th-7th June 2009 (- 61 seats). The drop in the number of Christian Democrats has not been to the benefit of the Socialists and Democrats (S&D) which won 25.17% of the vote and 189 seats (-7). The Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) took third place in the European election with 8,52% of the vote and 64 seats (- 19). The Greens/European

Free Alliance won 6.92% of the vote and 52 seats (-5). The European Conservatives and Reformers (CRE/ECR) won 6.13% of the vote and 46 seats (- 11); they came ahead of the United European Left/Nordic Green Left (GUE/NGL), which won 5.59% of the vote and 42 seats (+ 7). Europe of Freedom and Democracy (ELD/ EFD) won 5,06% of the vote and 38 seats (+7). Finally the non-attached won 5,46% of the vote and 41 seats (+ 8).

There remain 66 new MEPs who do not belong to any political group; together they won 8,79% of the vote [1].

Results of European Parliament elections 2014 by political group

EPP European People's Party (Christian-Democrats)	213 MEPs	28.36 %
S&D Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats	189 MEPs	25.17 %
ALDE Alliance of Democrats and Liberals for Europe	64 MEPs	8.52 %
Greens/EFA Greens/European Free Alliance	52 MEPs	6.92 %
ECR European Conservatives and Reformers	46 MEPs	6.13 %
GUE/NGL European United Left/Nordic Green Left	42 MEPs	5.59 %

1. <http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/election-results-2014.html>

Results of European Parliament elections 2014 by political group

NI Non-Attached – members not belonging to any political group	41 MEPs	5.46 %
EFD Group of Europe of Freedom and Democracy	38 MEPs	5.06 %
Others New MEPs without any attachment to a political group in the outgoing Parliament	66 MEPs	8.79 %

Any political group has to comprise 25 MEPs from at least 7 Member States.

For the first time in European election history turnout was slightly up. It totalled 43.09%, i.e. +0.9 points in comparison with the election on 4th-7th June 2009. It was clearly up in Lithuania (where the second round of the presidential election took place), in Sweden, Romania, Greece (where local elections were taking place). Turnout was clearly down however in Slovenia, Hungary, Latvia, Cyprus, Czech Republic and in Slovakia where it was the lowest at 13%.

The right won in 17 Member States: Germany, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Croatia, Spain, Estonia, Finland, Hungary, Latvia, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Czech Republic, Romania and Slovenia. The left won in 6 countries: Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Portugal, Slovakia and Sweden. Independent candidates took the lead in Ireland.

Finally in 4 Member States the European election was dominated by the populist forces: the People's Party (DF) in Denmark, the Front National (FN) in France, the Radical Left Coalition (SYRIZA) in Greece and the UK Independence Party (UKIP) in the UK.

A sharp rise in populist support was seen in several other countries: in Germany, in Austria, Belgium, Spain, Finland, Hungary, Italy and Sweden. They declined however in the Netherlands and Romania. Although the victory on the part of the Front National in France is impressive it is not guaranteed however that it will be able to form a group in the European Parliament. To do this a minimum of 25 MEPs from at least one quarter of the Member States (7) is necessary.

Germany

96 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/Allemagne/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Christian Democratic Union (CDU)	EPP	35.3	34
Social Democratic Party (SPD)	S&D	27.9	27
Greens (DG)	Greens/EFA	10.7	11
Left Party (DL)	GUE/NGL	7.4	7
Alternative for Germany (AfD)	others	7	7
Liberal Democratic Party (FDP)	ALDE	3.4	3
Freie Wähler	ALDE	1.5	1
Pirate Party (PP)	Greens/EFA	1.4	1
Tierschutzpartei (Animal Rights Party)	others	1.2	1
National Democratic Party (NPD)	others	1	1

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Family	others	0.7	1
ODP	others	0.6	1
The Party	others	0.5	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-de-2014.html>

Austria

18 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/autriche/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
People's Party (ÖVP)	EPP	27,3	5
Social Democratic Party (SPÖ)	S&D	23,8	5
Liberal Party (FPÖ)	NI	19,5	4
Greens	Greens/EFA	15,1	3
Neos-New Austria	ALDE	7.9	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-at-2014.html>

Belgium

21 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/belgique/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
<i>Dutch Speaking College</i>			
New Flemish Alliance (N-VA)	Greens/EFA	16.35%	4
Flemish Liberals and Democrats (Open VLD)	ALDE	12.51%	3
Christian Democratic Party (CD&V)	EPP	12.21%	2
Socialist Party (SP.A)	S&D	8.08%	1
Groen	Greens/EFA	6.51%	1
Vlaams Belang (VB)	NI	4.14%	1
<i>French Speaking College</i>			
Socialist Party (PS)	S&D	11.15%	3
Reform Movement (MR)	ALDE	10.32%	3
Ecolo !	Greens/EFA	4.45%	1
Humanist Democratic Centre (CDH)	EPP	4.33%	1
<i>German Speaking College</i>			
Social Christian Party (CSP)	EPP	0.22%	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-be-2014.html>

Bulgaria

17 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/bulgarie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Citizens for the European Development of Bulgaria (GERB)	EPP	39	6
Coalition for Bulgaria	S&D	18.5	4
Movement for rights and freedoms (DPS)	ALDE	18.4	4
Bulgaria without Censorship	others	10.4	2
Reforming Bloc	others	6	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-bg-2014.html>

Cyprus

6 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/chypre/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Democratic Assembly (DISY)	EPP	37.7	2
Progressive Workers' Party (AKEL)	GUE/NGL	26.9	2
Democratic Party (DIKO)	S&D	10.8	1
EDK	S&D	7.7	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-cy-2014.html>

Croatia

11 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/croatie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Democratic Union (HDZ)	EPP	41.39	4
	ECR		1
Social Democratic Party (SDP)	S&D	29.79	3
	ALDE		1
Sustainable Development (Odrzivi Razvoj)	Greens/EFA	9.41	1
Alliance for Croatia (HDSSB)	others	6.99	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-hr-2014.html>

Denmark

13 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/danemark/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Danish People's Party (DF)	ELD	26.6	4
Social Democratic Party (SD)	S&D	19.1	3
Liberal Party (V)	ALDE	16.7	2
People's Socialist Party (SF)	Greens/EFA	10.9	1
Conservative Party (C)	EPP	9.2	1
People's Movement against the European Union (Folk mod UE)	GUE/NGL	8	1
Social Liberal Party (RV)	ALDE	6,5	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-dk-2014.html>

Spain

54 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/espagne/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
People's Party (PP)	EPP	26	16
Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE)	S&D	23	14
Izquierda Unida (IU)	GUE/NGL	9.99	5
Izquierda Plural (IU)	Greens/EFA		1
For Social Democracy	others	7.97	5
Union, Progress and Democracy (UPyD)	others	6,5	4
CEU	ALDE	5.44	2
	EPP		1
Green Coalition	Greens/EFA	4.02	2
Citizens' Party	others	3.16	2
LPD	Greens/EFA	2.07	1
Primavera	Greens/EFA	1.91	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-es-2014.html>

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Estonia

6 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/estonie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Reform Party (ER)	ALDE	18	18
Centre Party (K)	ALDE	17	17
Social Democratic Party (SDE)	S&D	16	16
Union of Pro-patria-Res Publica (IRL)	EPP	14.5	14.5
Tarand (independent)	Greens/EFA	11	11

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-ee-2014.html>

Finland

13 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/finlande/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Conservative Assembly (KOK)	EPP	22	3
Centre Party (KESK)	ALDE	19.7	3
True Finns (PS)	ELD	12.9	2
Social Democratic Party (SPD)	S&D	12.3	2
Left Alliance	GUE/NGL	9.3	1
Green League (VIHR)	Greens/EFA	9,3	1
SFP	ALDE	6.7	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-fi-2014.html>

France

74 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/france/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Front National (FN)	NI	24.95	24
Union for a Popular Movement (UMP)	EPP	20.79	20
Socialist Party (PS)	S&D	13.98	13
Alternative (MoDem-UDI)	ALDE	9.9	7
Europe Ecology-The Greens (EE-LV)	GREENS/EFA	8.91	6
Left Front (FG)	GUE/NGL	6.34	4

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-fr-2014.html>

Greece

21 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/grece/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Radical Left Coalition (SYRIZA)	GUE/NGL	26.55	7
New Democracy (ND)	EPP	22.76	6
Golden Dawn (CA)	others	9,39	2
ELIA - Panhellenic Socialist Movement (PASOK)	S&D	8.03	2
To potami	others	6.61	2
Communist Party (KKE)	GUE/NGL	6,57	1
ANEL	others	3.44	1

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Hungary

21 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/hongrie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Alliance of Young Democrats- Civic Union (FIDESZ-MPP)	EPP	51.49	12
Movement for a Better Hungary (Jobbik)	NI	14.68	3
Socialist Party (MSZP)	S&D	10.92	2
Democratic Coalition(DK)	S&D	9.76	2
Együtt PM	Greens/EFA	7.22	1
Politics can be different (LMP)	Greens/EFA	5,01	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-hu-2014.html>

Ireland

11 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/irlande/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Independents	others	27	1
Fine Gael (FG)	EPP	22	4
Fianna Fail (FF)	ALDE	22	2
Sinn Fein (SF)	GUE/NGL	17	3
Greens	Greens/EFA	6	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-ie-2014.html>

Italy

73 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/italie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Democratic Party (PD)	S&D	40.86	31
Five Stars Movement (M5s)	Others	21,13	17
Forza Italia (FI)	EPP	16.77	13
Northern League (LN)	ELD	6.19	5
New Centre Right (NCD)	EPP	4.37	3
The Other Europe (avec Tsipras)	GUE/NGL	4.02	3
People's Party of South Tyrol (SVP)	EPP	0,5	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-it-2014.html>

Latvia

8 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/lettonie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Unity (Vienotiba, V)	EPP	46	4
Union for the Fatherland and Freedom (TB/LNNK)	CRE	14	1
SDP	S&D	13	1
Greens and Farmers Union (ZZS)	Greens/EFA	8	1
LKS	Greens/EFA	6	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-lv-2014.html>

Lithuania

11 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/lituanie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Homeland Union -Conservatives (TS-LK)	EPP	17.99	2
Social Democratic Party (LSP)	S&D	17.27	2
LRLS	ALDE	16.52	2
For Order and Justice (TT)	ELD	14.27	2
Labour Party (DP)	ALDE	12.83	1
LLRA	ECR	8.06	1
LVZS	others	6.62	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-lt-2014.html>

Luxembourg

6 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/luxembourg/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Christian Social Party (PCS/CVS)	EPP	37,65	3
The Greens/Dei Greng (LV-DG)	Greens/EFA	15.01	1
Democratic Party (PD/DP)	ALDE	14.77	1
Socialist Workers' Party (POSL/LSAP)	S&D	11.75	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-lu-2014.html>

Malta

6 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/malte/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Labour Party (MLP)	S&D	53	4
Nationalist Party (PN)	EPP	40	2

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-mt-2014.html>

Netherlands

26 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/pays-bas/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Democrats 66 (D 66)	ALDE	15.51	4
Christian Democratic Appeal (CDA)	EPP	15.12	4
Freedom Party (PVV)	NI	13.35	4
People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD)	ALDE	12.03	3
Socialist Party (SP)	GUE/NGL	9.85	3
Labour Party (PvdA)	S&D	9.41	2
Christian Union (SGP)	CRE	7.6	2
Greens	Greens/EFA	6.99	2
Animals Party (PvvD)	others	4.22	1
50plus	ALDE	3.7	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-nl-2014.html>

Poland

51 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/pologne/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Law and Justice (PiS)	ECR	32.33	19
Civic Platform (PO)	EPP	31.34	19
Democratic Left Alliance-Labour Union (SLD-UP)	S&D	9.54	5
People's Party (PSL)	EPP	7.21	4
Congress Party (KNP)	others	7.06	4

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-pl-2014.html>

Portugal

21 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/portugal/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Socialist Party (PS)	S&D	31.45	8
Social Democratic Party (PSD)	EPP	27.7	7
Communist Party/Green Coalition (CDU)	GUE/NGL	12.69	3
Earth Party (MPT)	others	7.15	2
Left Bloc (BE)	GUE/NGL	4.56	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-pt-2014.html>

Czech Republic

21 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/republique-tcheque/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Ano 2011	others	16.14	4
Tradition, responsibility, prosperity 09 (TOP 09)	EPP	15.95	4
Social Democratic Party (CSSD)	S&D	14,17	4
Communist Party of Bohemia and Moravia (KSCM)	GUE/NGL	10.98	3
Christian Democratic Party –People's Party (KDU-CSL)	EPP	9.95	3
Democratic Civic Party (ODS)	ECR	7.67	2
Svobodni	others	5.24	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-cz-2014.html>

Romania

32 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/roumanie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Democratic Civic Party (PSD)	S&D	42,4	18
National Liberal Party (PNL)	ALDE	13.3	5
Democratic Liberal Party (PD-L)	EPP	11.5	4
People's Movement Party (PMP)	EPP	6.3	2
Democratic Union of Hungarians of Romania (UDMR)	EPP	6.2	2
Diaconu (Independent)	others	4.3	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-ro-2014.html>

UK

73 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/royaume-uni/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
UK Independence Party (UKIP)	ELD	27.49	24
Labour Party	S&D	25.4	20
Conservative Party (Cons)	ECR	23.9	19
Greens	Greens/EFA	7.87	3
Liberal Democrats (Lib-Dem)	ALDE	6.87	1
Scottish Party	Greens/EFA	2,46	2
Democratic Unionist Party(DUP)	NI	0,9	1
Sinn Fein	GUE/NGL	0,9	1
Plaid Cymru (Pays de Galles)	Greens/EFA	0,7	1
Ulster	ECR	0,3	1

Slovakia

13 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/slovaquie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Direction-Social Democracy (SMER-SD)	S&D	24.09	4
Christian Democratic Movement (KDH)	EPP	13.21	2
Democratic and Christian –Democratic Party (SDKU-DS)	EPP	7.75	2
Party of Ordinary People and Independents (OL'aNO)	others	7.46	1
Nova KDS OKS	CRE	6,83	1
Liberty and Solidarity (SaS)	ALDE	6.66	1
SMK	EPP	6,53	1
Most-Hid	EPP	5.83	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-sk-2014.html>

Slovenia

8 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/slovenie/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Democratic Party (SDS)	EPP	24.6	3
New Slovenia-People's Party (NSi-SLS)	EPP	15.2	2
Verjanem List (I believe)	others	10.6	1
DESUS	ALDE	9.1	1
Social Democrats (SD)	S&D	7.9	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-si-2014.html>

Sweden

20 MEPs

<http://elections-europeennes.robert-schuman.eu/en/fiche/suede/>

Political Parties	European Political Affiliation	% of votes cast	No of MEPs
Social Democratic Party (SAP)	S&D	24.4	6
Environment Party -the Greens (MP)	Greens/EFA	15.3	3
Moderate Assembly Party (M)	EPP	13.6	3
People's Party – the Liberals (FpL)	ALDE	10	2
Swedish Democrats (DS)	NI	9.7	2
Centre Party (C)	ALDE	6.5	1
Left Party (V)	GUE/NGL	6.3	1
Christian Democratic Party (KD)	EPP	6	1
Women's Initiative	Others	5.3	1

<http://www.resultats-elections2014.eu/fr/country-results-se-2014.html>

Which president for the European Commission?

Former Luxembourg Prime Minister (1995-2013) and former President of the Eurogroup (2005-2013), Jean-Claude Juncker (Social Christian Party, PCS/CVS), head of the EPP's list may therefore succeed José Manuel Barroso and become the next President of the European Commission. *"The European People's Party (EPP) is winning the European elections. It therefore claims the presidency of the European Commission,"* wrote Jean-Claude Juncker on his Twitter account immediately after the announcement of the first results.

"The time has come to rally and define the Union's future (...) we should stand together as Europeans – this is vital for Europe to shape a global order within which we can defend our values and our interests (...) It is very important that the political forces represented in the Commission have won again. They are indeed those with the most representatives in the new Parliament. The results show that it is possible to have a very strong majority which functions," declared the President of the European Commission José Manuel Barroso.

In many countries the results of the European elections on 22nd-25th May have triggered an appeal for help and led to a cry of anger on the part of many populations who believe that Europe is not doing what it is supposed to do. This appeal, this cry have to be heeded. Europe is experiencing a deep crisis. It is vital that the ascension of the populists and eurosceptics in the European Parliament force all of the pro-European politicians to assume what they say, likewise their positions, to draw up realistic, constructive proposals – a project for the future of the Union as well as suggesting improvements to the way the Union is run to take European governance forward.

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