## <u>Press release - Number of members in</u> <u>Parliament's committees to change</u> after Brexit



Following the vote in Parliament's plenary meeting on Wednesday, the European Parliament redefined the number of members sitting in its committees and subcommittees as shown below, to become effective immediately after the UK's withdrawal from the EU.

AFET Foreign Affairs	71	
AGRI Agriculture and Rural Development	48	
BUDG Budgets	41	
CULT Culture and Education	31	
DEVE Development	26	
ECON Economic and Monetary Affairs	60	
EMPL Employment and Social Affairs	55	
ENVI Environment, Public Health and Food Safety	81	(+5)
IMCO Internal Market and Consumer Protection	45	
INTA International Trade	43	(+2)
ITRE Industry, Research and Energy	78	(+6)
JURI Legal Affairs	25	
LIBE Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	68	
REGI Regional Development	43	
TRAN Transport and Tourism	49	
AFCO Constitutional Affairs	28	
PECH Fisheries	28	
PETI Petitions	35	

FEMM Women's Rights and Gender Equality	35
CONT Budgetary Control	30
DROI Human Rights (Subcommittee)	30
SEDE Security and Defence (Subcommittee)	30

The list of members will be finalised after the new composition of Parliament has been confirmed, following the redistribution of seats among member states. The final list of new MEPs will be based on official notification sent by member states.

## Rules on the composition of committees

According to Parliament's Rules of Procedure (<u>Rule 209</u>), the composition of its committees and subcommittees should as far as possible reflect the composition of Parliament as a whole.

The proportional distribution of seats among political groups must not depart from the nearest whole number, with the Conference of Presidents (i.e. the EP President and the leaders of the political groups) resolving any disputes between groups on their proportional weight.

The political groups and non-attached Members decide internally who is appointed to each committee and subcommittee. Seat trading between groups is not allowed.