

# Eulytix Plenary Briefs 4/2022

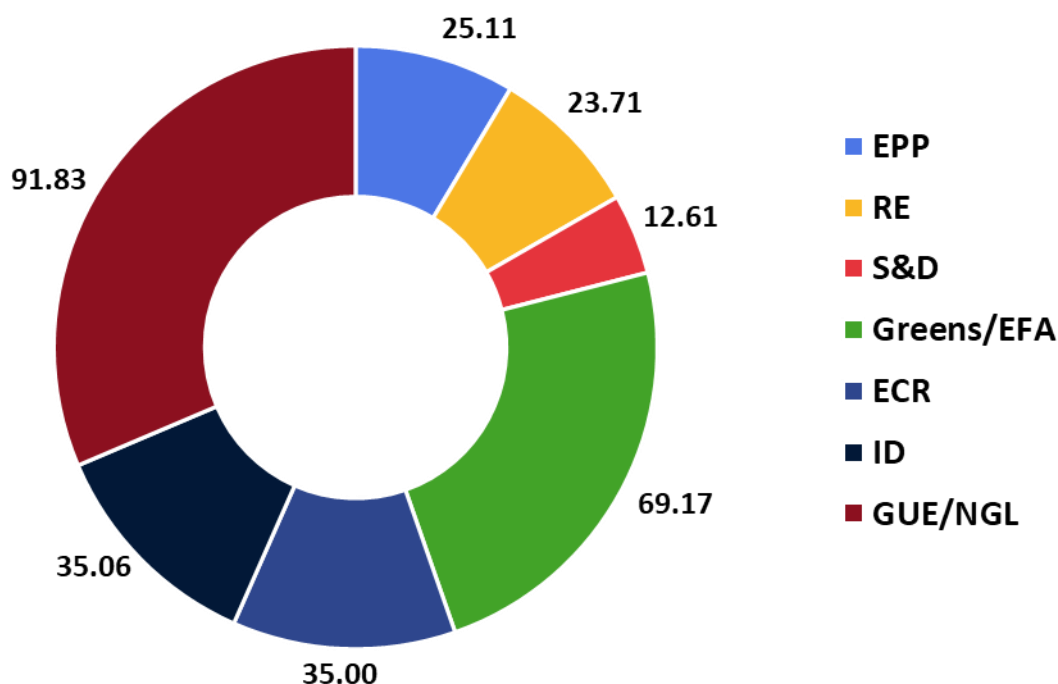
## “Fit for 55”

### Foreword

In this issue of Eulytix’s Plenary Briefs we take a look at the constituents of “Fit for 55” package, that were debated and voted on in last week’s Plenary session. The report provides a concise data-driven overview of the activities of MEPs in the ENVI committee related relevant dossiers: **“Revision of the EU Emissions Trading System”** (2021/0211 (COD)), **“CO2 emission standards for cars and vans”** (2021/0197 (COD)), **“Land use, land use change and forestry”** (2021/0201 (COD)), **“Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism”** (2021/0214 (COD)), **“Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation”** (2021/0204 (COD)), **“Revision of the EU Emissions Trading System for aviation”** (2021/0207 (COD)) and **“Effort Sharing Regulation”** (2021/0200 (COD)).

On average, the MEPs of the GUE/NGL group were the most active. The runner ups are Greens/EFA, followed by ID and ECR significantly behind the first two. For the full breakdown see **Figure 1** on the next page.

**Figure 1: Activity by political group, measured as the number of amendments per active MEP in the corresponding political group. By active MEP we mean an MEP, who has sponsored at least one amendment.**



**Table 1** below presents the keywords of amendments tabled with the involvement of MEPs from the three most active political groups: GUE/NGL, Greens/EFA and ID. Based on the keywords, the priorities of said political groups are clearly different.

**Table 1: The keywords of the most active political groups' amendments. They keywords were determined by the *Rapid Automatic Keyword Extraction* algorithm.**

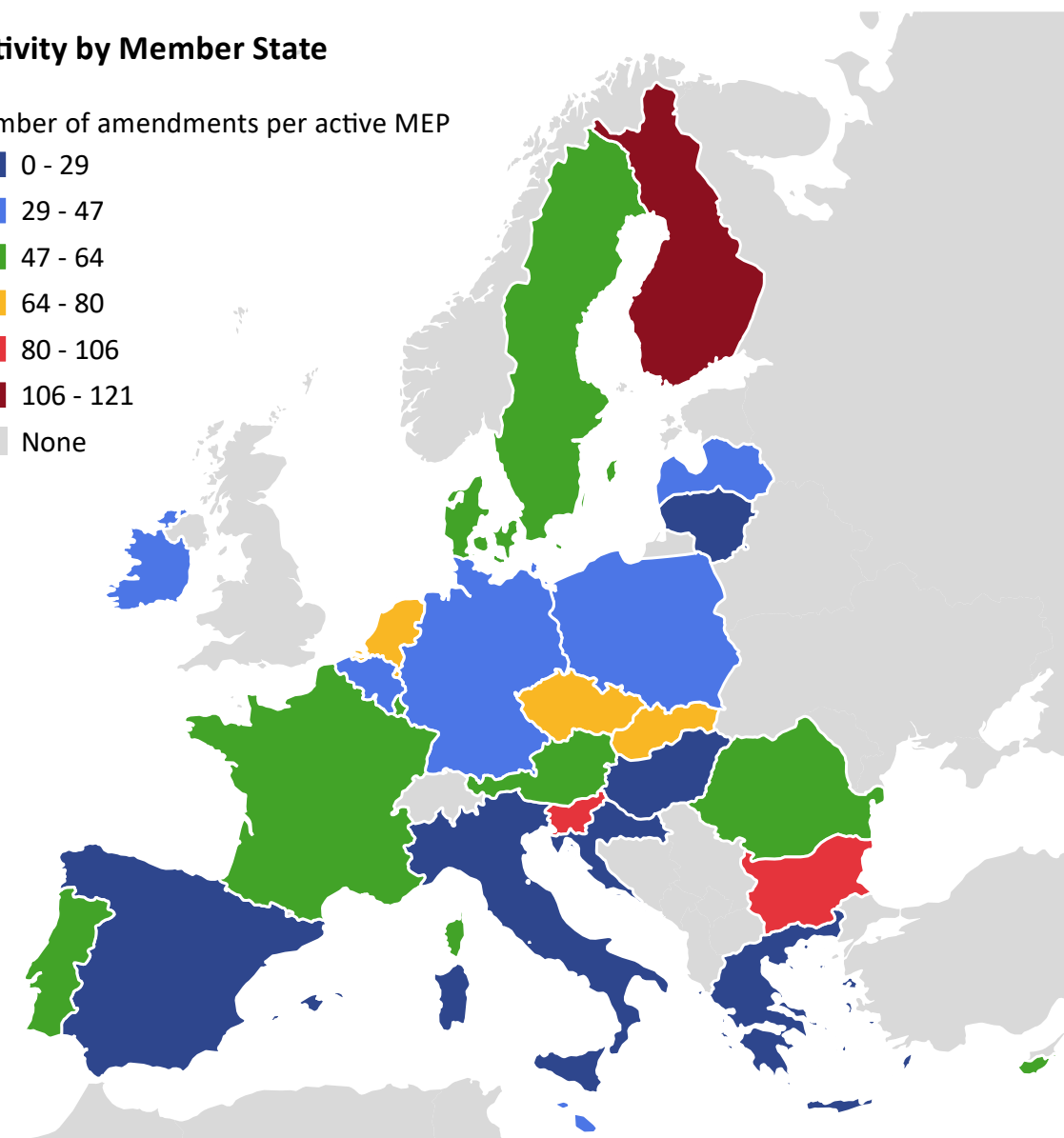
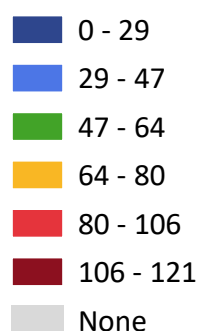
GUE/NGL	Greens/EFA	ID
<i>inaction vastly outweighs</i>	<i>recent studies suggest</i>	<i>permanently chemically bound</i>
<i>permanently chemically bound</i>	<i>re-skill europe's workforce</i>	<i>medium sized enterprises</i>
<i>levelled playing field</i>	<i>simultaneously creating fairness</i>	<i>scientifically unacceptable merging</i>
<i>accumulate windfall profits</i>	<i>well-known standard profile</i>	<i>prescribed 'structural change'</i>
<i>prime minister suga</i>	<i>standardised electronic database</i>	<i>things stand today</i>

Regarding activity by Member State, MEPs from Finland, Bulgaria and Slovenia were the most active, measured as the number of amendments per active MEP. An active MEP is an MEP, who tabled at least one amendment to the draft report. The least active MEPs were from Croatia, Slovakia, and Ireland (see **Figure 2**, below).

**Figure 2: Average activity by Member State measured as the number of amendments per active MEP. An active MEP is an MEP, who sponsored at least one amendment.**

### Activity by Member State

Number of amendments per active MEP



**Table 2** below presents the most important keywords of the amendments suggested by MEPs of the most active Member States.

**Table 2: The most important keywords of amendments proposed by MEPs of the corresponding Member States. They keywords were determined by the *Rapid Automatic Keyword Extraction* algorithm.**

Finland	Bulgaria	Slovenia
<i>inaction vastly outweighs</i>	<i>medium sized enterprises</i>	<i>permanently chemically bound</i>
<i>accumulate windfall profits</i>	<i>entire life cycle</i>	<i>medium sized enterprises</i>
<i>prime minister suga</i>	<i>joint political declaration</i>	<i>reducing distortive taxes</i>
<i>scientifically unacceptable merging</i>	<i>median national/regional income</i>	<i>adopt delegated acts</i>
<i>prescribed 'structural change'</i>	<i>union's natural capital</i>	<i>nationally determined contributions</i>

The most connected MEP, according to Eulytix's connectivity ranking was Silvia Modig (GUE/NGL), followed by Marian-Jean Marinescu (EPP) and Michael Bloss (Greens/EFA). The top 5 MEPs as well as auxiliary information are presented in **Table 3** below.

**Table 3: The most connected MEPs. The number of amendments sponsored by them, and the number of their cosponsoring partners.**

Name	Member State	Political group	Amendments	Partners
<i>Silvia Modig</i>	Finland	GUE/NGL	484	92
<i>Marian-Jean Marinescu</i>	Romania	EPP	271	95
<i>Michael Bloss</i>	Germany	Greens/EFA	223	91
<i>Jytte Guteland</i>	Sweden	S&D	182	89
<i>Tiemo Wölken</i>	Germany	S&D	204	84

Figure 3 below presents the cosponsorship network of the ENVI committee. One may observe a significant degree of clustering based on political group membership, nevertheless a sizeable set of intra-group relations is present,

Figure 3: The cosponsorship network of the ENVI committee during the relevant procedures. Node sizes are proportional to the connectivity ranking of corresponding MEPs. Edge widths are proportional to the tie strength between MEPs.

