



The new European Commission

José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission, has proposed his Commission team for the next five years.

The European Parliament will hold hearings of the Commissioners-designate on 11-19 January, with a vote on the full Commission scheduled for 26 January. Once MEPs approve the nominations, the Commission will be appointed by the European Council.

Presenting his team, President Barroso said: 'On the basis of the nominations by the Member States, I have sought to design a College which can generate fresh ideas and new momentum on the biggest challenges we face in Europe today. This College will implement the political guidelines that I presented to the European Parliament. I am confident that this College will be decisive in steering Europe towards recovery and a sustainable social market economy that works for the people. I have put together a strong Commission to fill the enhanced role of Europe, including on the world stage, provided by the Lisbon Treaty. One of the key tasks of this College will be to give life to the new opportunities provided by the Lisbon Treaty.'

The new Commission will have 27 members, including President Barroso. Nine of the nominees - including three Vice-Presidents - are women. 13 nominees were also members of the previous Barroso Commission.

There will be seven Vice-Presidents in the new Commission, including the Union's High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Catherine Ashton. The order of precedence of the Vice-Presidents will be: Catherine Ashton, Viviane Reding, Joaquín Almunia, Siim Kallas, Neelie Kroes, Antonio Tajani, Maroš Šefčovič .

Responsibilities of the Commissioners-designate

1: by surname

Joaquín Almunia (Spain), Vice-President: Competition

László Andor (Hungary) Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Catherine Ashton (United Kingdom), Vice-President and High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security

Michel Barnier (France): Internal Market and Services

Dacian Cioloș (Romania): Agriculture and Rural Development

John Dalli (Malta) Health and Consumer Policy

Maria Damanaki (Greece): Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Karel De Gucht (Belgium): Trade

Štefan Füle (Czech Republic) Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy (with Catherine Ashton)

Maire Geoghegan-Quinn (Ireland): Research and Innovation

Johannes Hahn (Austria): Regional Policy

Connie Hedegaard (Denmark): Climate Action

Kristalina Georgieva (Bulgaria; replaced Rumiana Jeleva after EP objections): International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response (with Catherine Ashton)

Siim Kallas (Estonia), Vice-President: Transport

Neelie Kroes (Netherlands), Vice-President: Digital Agenda

Janusz Lewandowski (Poland): Budget and Financial Programming

Cecilia Malmström (Sweden): Home Affairs

Günter Oettinger (Germany): Energy

Andris Piebalgs (Latvia): Development (with Catherine Ashton)

Janez Potočnik (Slovenia): Environment.

Viviane Reding (Luxembourg), Vice-President: Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship

Olli Rehn (Finland): Economic and Monetary Affairs

Maroš Šefčovič (Slovakia), Vice-President: Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration

Algirdas Šemeta (Lithuania): Taxation and Customs Union, Audit and Anti-Fraud

Antonio Tajani (Italy), Vice-President: Industry and Entrepreneurship

Androulla Vassiliou (Cyprus): Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth

2: by Directorate-General / Service

DG Agriculture and Rural Development (AGRI): Dacian Ciolos

DG Budget (BUDG): Janusz Lewandowski

DG Climate Action: Connie Hedegaard

DG Communication (COMM): Viviane Reding

DG Competition (COMP): Joaquín Almunia

DG Development (DEV): Andris Piebalgs

DG Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECFIN): Olli Rehn

DG Education and Culture (EAC): Androulla Vassiliou

DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (EMPL): László Andor (part), Viviane Reding (part)

DG Energy: Günter Oettinger

DG Enlargement (ELARG): Štefan Füle

DG Enterprise and Industry (ENTR): Antonio Tajani

DG Environment (ENV): Janez Potočnik

DG EUROSTAT: Olli Rehn

DG External Relations (RELEX): Catherine Ashton

DG Health and Consumers (SANCO): John Dalli

DG Human Resources and Security (HR): Maroš Šefčovič

DG Humanitarian Aid (ECHO): Rumiana Jeleva

DG Informatics (DIGIT): Maroš Šefčovič

DG Information Society (INFSO): Neelie Kroes

DG Internal Market and Services (MARKT): Michel Barnier

DG Interpretation (SCIC): Androulla Vassiliou

DG Justice, Liberty and Security (JLS): Cecilia Malmström (part), Viviane Reding (part)

DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries (MARE): Maria Damanaki

Publications Office (OP): Viviane Reding

DG Regional Policy (REGIO): Johannes Hahn

DG Research (RTD): Maire Geoghegan-Quinn

Secretariat-General (SG): Maroš Šefčovič

DG Taxation and Customs Union (TAXUD): Algirdas Šemeta

DG Trade: Karel de Gucht

DG Translation (DGT): Androulla Vassiliou

DG Transport: Siim Kallas

More details of the new structure, including responsibilities for agencies and other bodies, are given in press release [IP/09/1837](#). For CVs of the nominees – and photos – see [The members of the Barroso Commission designate \(2009-2014\)](#)

For details of the nomination process, see the EP's [Hearings page](#).