

Directorate-General for the Presidency  
Directorate for Relations with National Parliaments

## Factsheet: The Luxembourg Chamber of Deputies

















### 1. At a glance

The Parliament of Luxembourg is a unicameral Parliament. The Chamber of Deputies, composed of 60 Members, is elected by universal suffrage. Members are directly elected to five year terms from four constituencies. The President is appointed at the beginning of each session.

The Executive Office consists of the President, three Vice-Presidents, a maximum of seven Members and the general secretary (without the right to vote), represents the Chamber at national and international level and rules on questions of financial and organisational nature concerning deputies, the parliament, its administration and bodies. The Conference of Presidents is made up by Presidents of the political groups under the chairmanship of the President of the Chamber. It fixes the time and duration of debates in plenary. The Grand Duke signs the bill or proposed law to enter into force; he is entitled to convene an extraordinary session; and may dissolve parliament on condition that there are elections within three months.

As a result of the elections on 14 October 2018, the CSV, LSAP and DP lost votes while the Greens gained 3 new seats and the Pirates secured their first two. ADR gained one additional seat. The coalition government of Democratic Party (ALDE), the Socialist Party (S&D) and the Greens led by Prime Minister Xavier Bettel (Democratic Party/ALDE) kept a thin majority of 31 seats out of 60 in Parliament. Negotiations have started between the parties of the existing government of DP, LSAP and Greens to continue their coalition.

### 2. Composition

| Results of the elections of 14 October 2018   |   |   |       |       |
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| Party   |   | EP Affiliation  | %     | Seats |
|  | <b>CSV Chrëschtlech-Sozial Vollekspartei</b><br>Christian Social People Party               |  | 28,31 | 21    |
|  | <b>LSAP D'SOZIALISTEN</b><br>Socialists   |  | 17,6  | 10    |
|  | <b>DP - Demokratesch Partei</b><br>Democratic Party   |  | 16,91 | 12    |
|  | <b>dél gréng</b><br>Greens  |  | 15,12 | 9     |
|  | <b>A.D.R. Alternativ Demokratesch Reformpartei</b><br>(Alternative Democratic Reform Party) |  | 8,28  | 4     |
|  | <b>dél Lénk</b><br>Left   |  | 5,48  | 2     |
|  | <b>PIRATEN</b>  |  | 6,45  | 2     |
| <b>Turnout: 92,77%</b>  |   |   |       |       |
| <b>The next elections must take place in autumn 2022 at the latest.</b>             |   |   |       |       |

### 3. Officeholders

#### **President of the Chamber**



Mr Fernand Etgen (DP/ALDE)

#### **Chairperson of the Committee of Foreign and European Affairs, Cooperation, Immigration and Asylum**



Mr Marc Angel (LSAP/S&D)

**Secretary General of the Chamber:** Mr Claude Frieseisen, since 8 October 2002

### 4. Relations with Members of the European Parliament

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| <b>Participation rights for Luxembourgish MEPs in plenary sittings</b>     | No   |
| <b>Participation rights for Luxembourgish MEPs in committee meetings</b>   | Partially ("On the occasion of the consideration of a bill or proposal, the review of draft guidelines or European regulations or when writing a report ") |
| <b>Availability of videoconferencing system in the Chamber of Deputies</b> | No   |

### 5. Information links

- [Official website](#)
- [Rules of procedure \(in French\)](#)
- [List of committees](#)
- [Recent documents submitted by the Chamber to the Interparliamentary EU Information Exchange \(IPEX\)](#)
- [European Parliament Information Office in Luxembourg](#)

### 6. Contacts

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