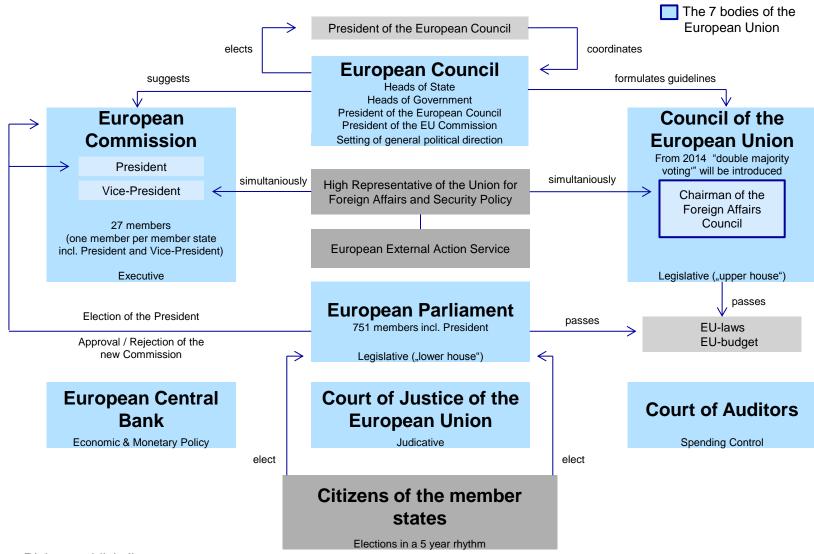
Decision making process on EU level, bodies and structure of the EU



Source: Richter-publizistik

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Legislative process within EU

Pre-legislative process within the EU Commission (EU-COM)

Prior to the publication of recommendations, EU-COM often consults experts through either formal consultation processes or informal talks with key stakeholder groups.

EU-COM initiates draft law

Council of the European Union (Council)

- · Negotiations of member states
- Discussion of compromises by COREPER²
- Discussion of general approach by ECOFIN³

European Parliament (EP)

- Appointment of rapporteur
- Discussion of draft among MEPs
- Revision process
- Presentation of final report

ECOFIN passes general concept

Vote in ECON an in Plenum

Final compromise reached in Trilogue (EU-COM, Council, EP)

Adoption through ECOFIN or other ministers

Second reading in EP

Publication in the Official Journal of the European Union

EU-Com initiates Technical Standards

Regulatory Technical Standards (RTS)

Implementing Technical Standards (IST)

National Implementation