**The European Commission**

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*What is the role of the European Commission ?*

The European Commission is one of the main institutions of the European Union , along with the Concils of the European Union, the European Parlement and the European Concil.

It has existed since the Treaty of Rome (1957).

It is the main implenting body of the European Union. It’s role is to propose legislation and ensore their application, as well as to implent the policies and budget of the European Union.

It’s members are a team of Commissioners who together form the « College »

*How does the European Commission meet ?*

The College of Commissioners generally meets at least once a week : most often every Wednesday morning in Brussels, on sometimes in Strasbourg.

In addition to such meetings, the Chairperson of the Commission may call special meetings, where circumstances so require. They are organized to examine a specific topic or follow language used during these meetings is English.

*Who are the European Commissioners ?*

Each Member State of the European Union has one Commissioner and only one (before 2004, the four largest States had two), whom in appoints in consultation with the President.

So there are 21.

The President of the Commission may, with the approval of the College, require the resignation of a Commission. The current President of the European Commission is German and her name is Ursula Von Der Leyen.

Body (political): Authorized voice of a spokesperson.

Enforcement body: In charge of enforcing lauis, and court decisions (e.g., police, military, diplomacy. )