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European Union

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#### NOTE

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From: General Secretariat of the Council  
To: Delegations

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Subject: Council Open Sessions - Statistics on Open Sessions held during the  
Netherlands Presidency (January - June 2016)  
- Information from the General Secretariat of the Council

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Delegations will find in the Annex a statistical overview of the Council's open sessions held during the Netherlands Presidency (January - June 2016).

For better understanding of the tables in the Annex, below is a reminder of the different types of open sessions held by the Council:

- **Legislative deliberations**  
(art. 7 Council Rules of Procedure)
  
- **Public debates**
  - on important issues affecting EU citizens  
(art 8(2) Council Rules of Procedure)
  - Council and Commission work programmes  
(art 8(3) Council Rules of Procedure).

The document also contains some statistical information on press conferences of the European Council.

**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY**  
January - June 2016

<b>Legislative deliberations</b>		<b>Public debates</b>	
"A" Items for adoption	Agenda Items for discussion	Issues affecting EU citizens	Programmes
55	73	60	6
128 66%		66 34%	
<b>TOTAL: 194</b>			

**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY**  
**January - June 2016**

**Legislative deliberations (agenda items)**  
per Council formation

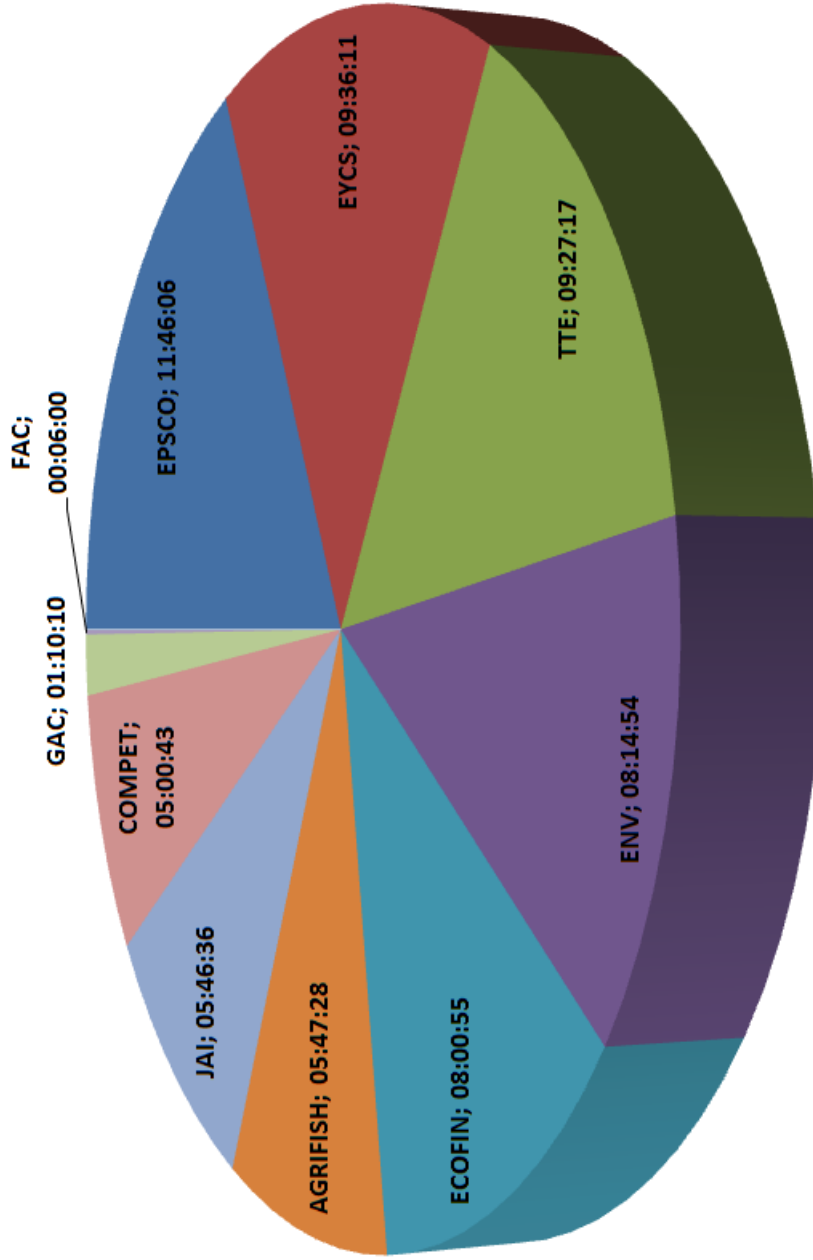
EPSCO	JHA	TTE	ECOFIN	AGRI	ENV	COMP	EYCS
7	32	8	12	6	3	4	1

**Public debates**  
per Council formation

EPSCO	JHA	TTE	ECOFIN	AGRI	ENV	COMP	EYCS
30	0	9	0	4	7	5	5

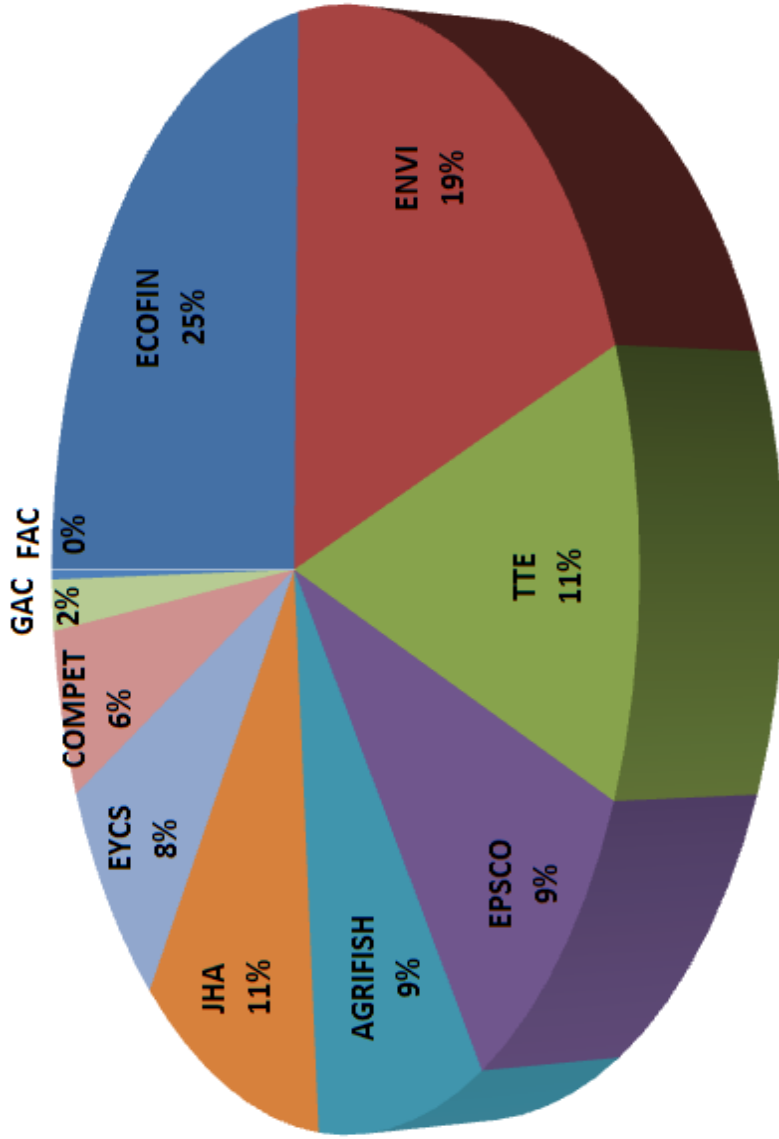
**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY (January - June 2016)**  
**DURATION OF OPEN SESSIONS PER COUNCIL CONFIGURATION**

Council configuration	Duration
EPSCO	11:46:06
EYCS	09:36:11
TTE	09:27:17
ENV	08:14:54
ECOFIN	08:00:55
AGRIFISH	05:47:28
JAI	05:46:36
COMPET	05:00:43
GAC	01:10:10
FAC	00:06:00
<b>Total</b>	<b>64:56:20</b>

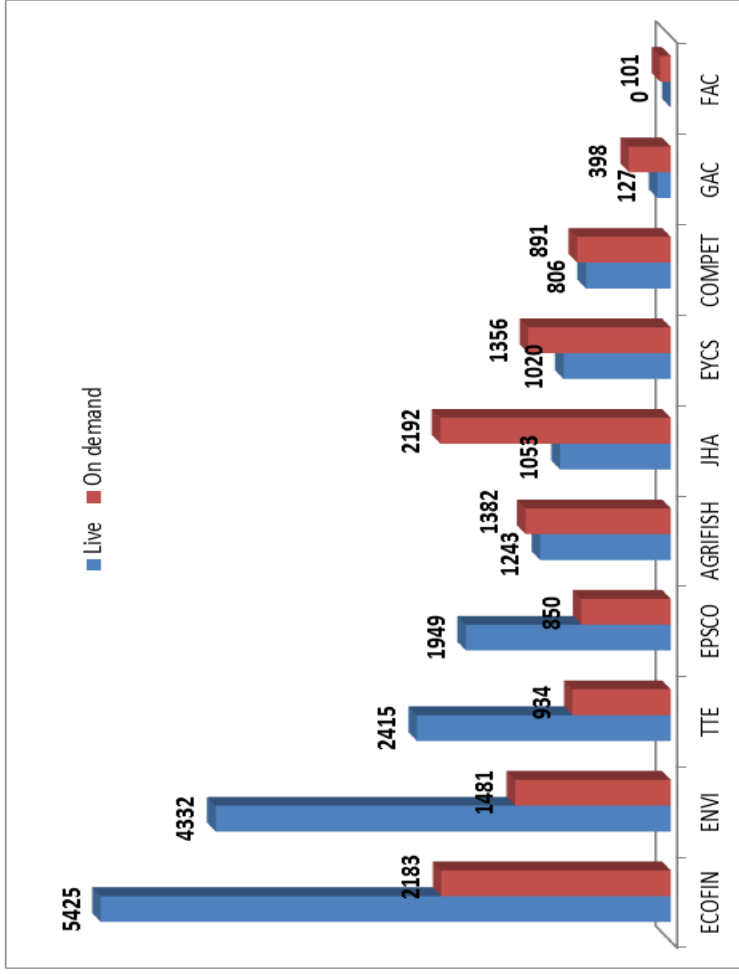
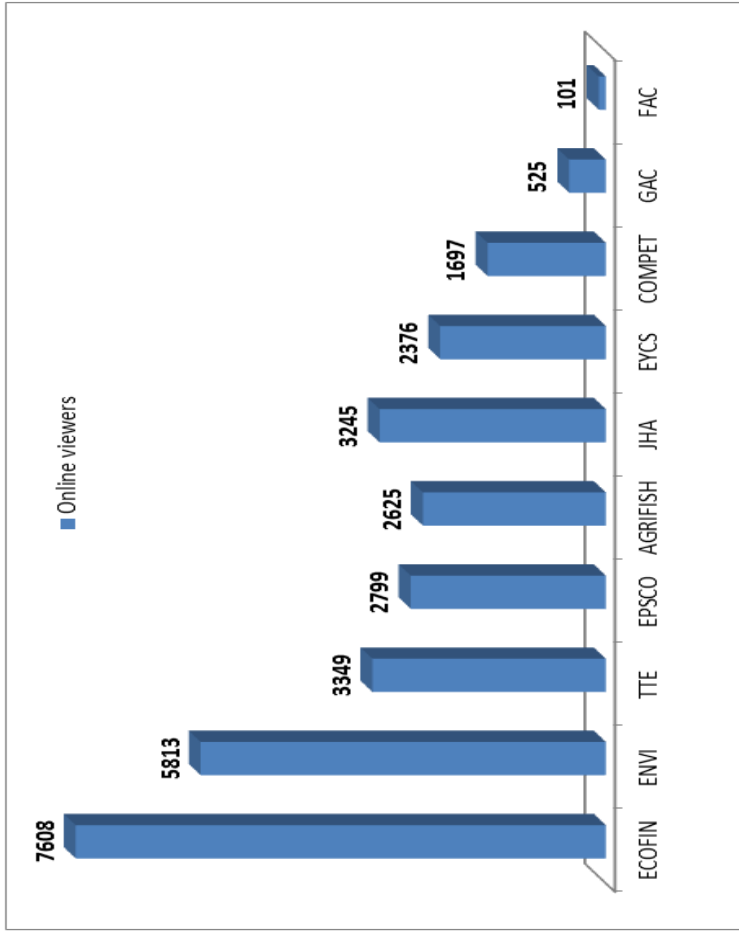


**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY (January - June 2016)**  
**ONLINE VIEWERS OF COUNCIL OPEN SESSIONS**

Council configuration	Online viewers	View by	
		Live	On demand
ECOFIN	7608	5425	2183
ENVI	5813	4332	1481
TTE	3349	2415	934
EPSCO	2799	1949	850
AGRIFISH	2625	1243	1382
JHA	3245	1053	2192
EYCS	2376	1020	1356
COMPET	1697	806	891
GAC	525	127	398
FAC	101	0	101
Total	30138	18370	11768

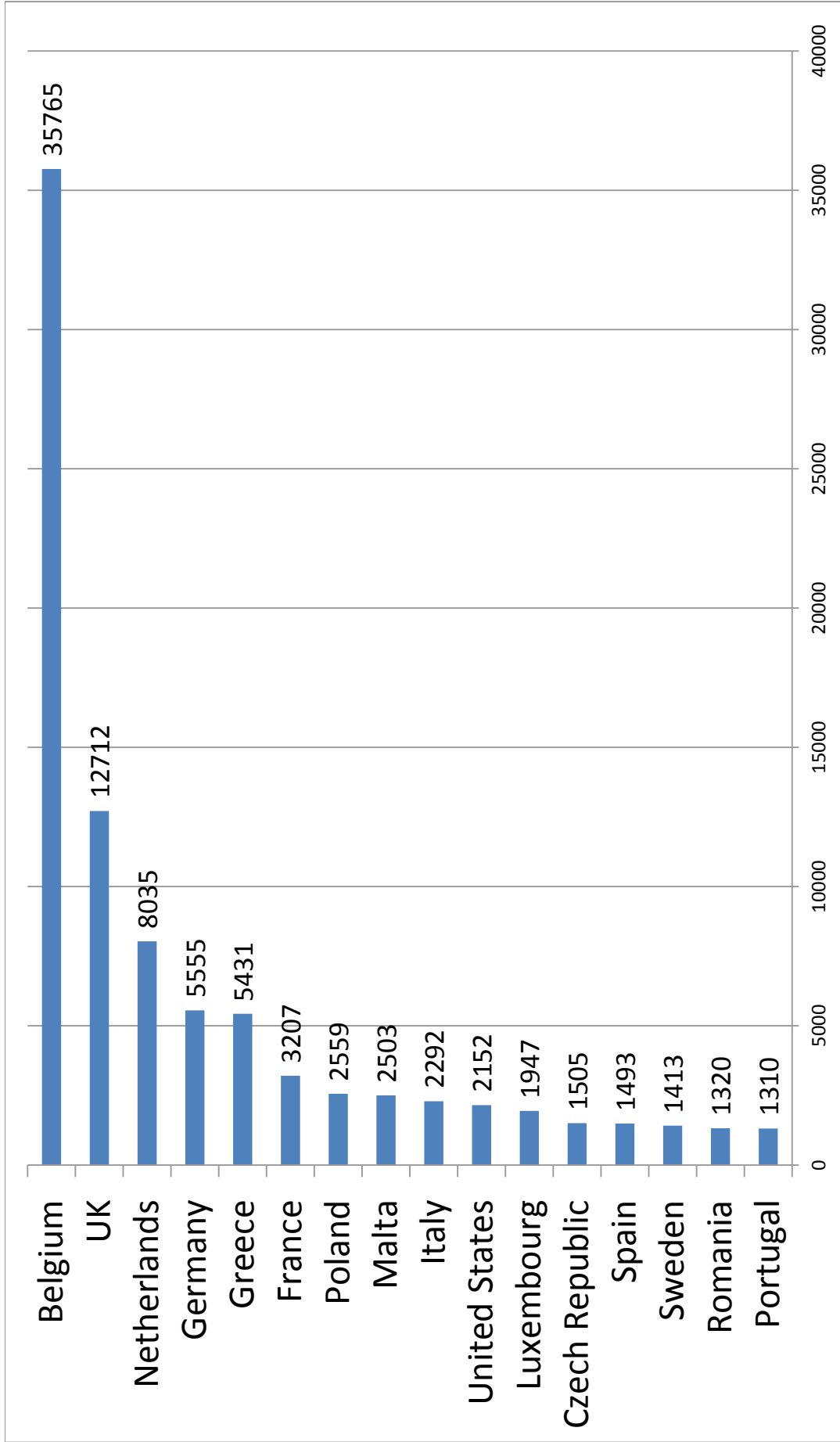


**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY (January - June 2016)  
ONLINE VIEWERS OF COUNCIL OPEN SESSIONS**



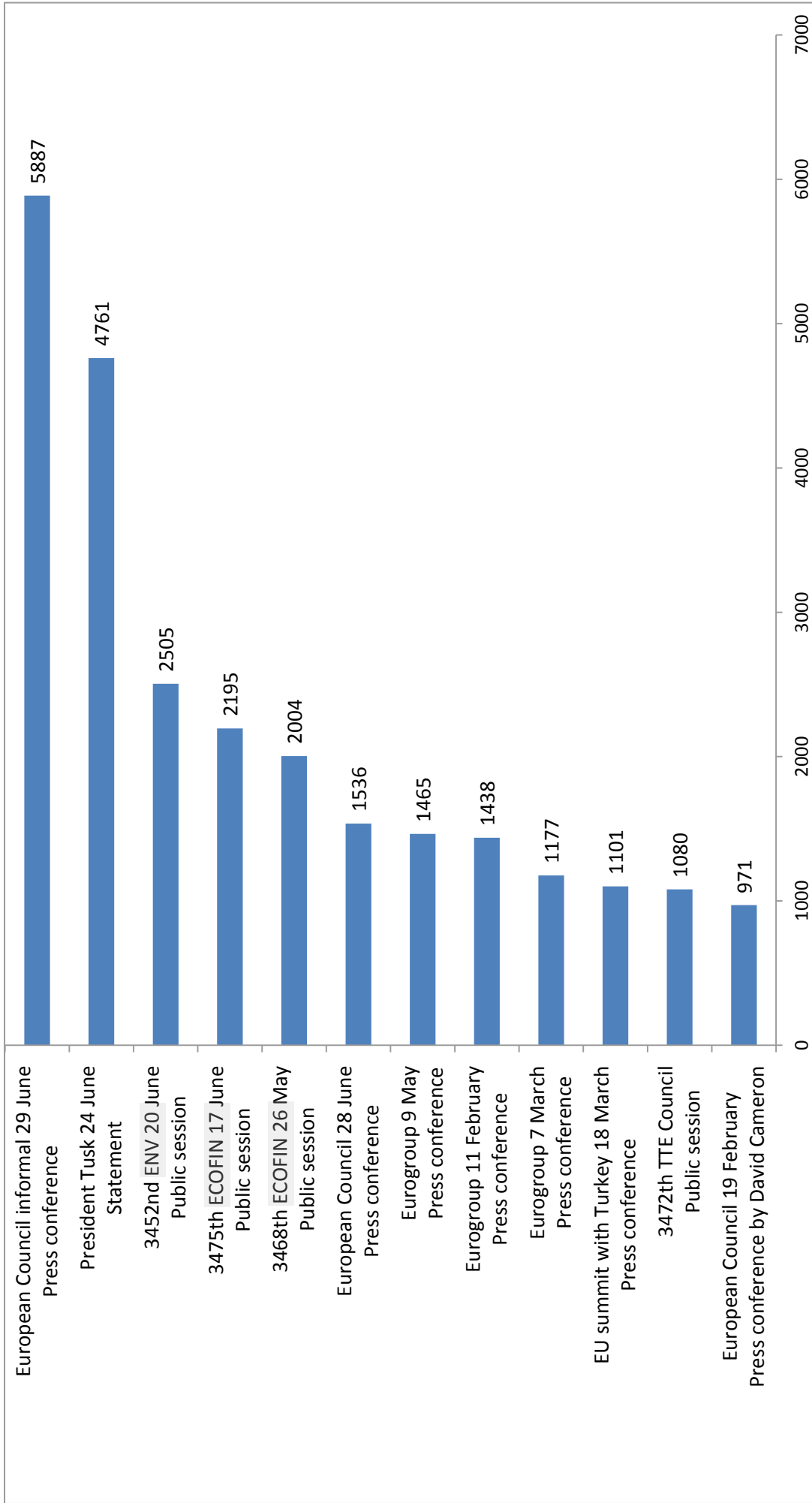
**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY (January - June 2016)**

**LOCATION OF LIVE VIEWERS**



**NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY (January - June 2016)**

**MOST WATCHED WEBCAST - LIVE Viewers**





## NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY January - June 2016

3442nd ECOFIN 15 January		3445th ECOFIN 12 February		3454th ECOFIN 8 March		3468th ECOFIN 25 May		3475th ECOFIN 17 June	
LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded
147	181	576	496	497	353	2 004	433	2 195	720
<b>Discussed:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European Semester 2016</li> <li>• Approval of Council Recommendation on the economic policy of the euro area and Conclusions on Annual Growth Survey</li> </ul>		<b>Discussed:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• preventing financing of terrorism</li> <li>• preventing corporate tax avoidance</li> <li>• priorities for the 2017 EU budget</li> </ul>		<b>Discussed:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• draft directive on the exchange of tax-related information on the activities of multinational companies</li> </ul>		<b>Discussed:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• draft directive on the exchange of tax-related information on the activities of multinational companies</li> </ul>		<b>Discussed:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• draft directive on the exchange of tax-related information on the activities of multinational companies</li> </ul>	

**LIVE Average: approximately 1 090 viewers**

## NETHERLANDS PRESIDENCY January - June 2016

EUROPEAN COUNCIL 18/19 February <i>Press conferences LIVE</i>		EUROPEAN COUNCIL 17/18 March <i>Press conferences LIVE</i>		EUROPEAN COUNCIL 28/29 June <i>Press conferences LIVE</i>	
by Presidents Tusk and Juncker	572	by Presidents Tusk and Juncker	961	by Presidents Tusk and Juncker	1 536
by UK Prime Minister	971	EU summit with Turkey	1 101	Informal Meeting of the 27	5 887
<b>Discussed/Decided:</b>		<b>Discussed/Decided:</b>		<b>Discussed/Decided:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UK's settlement</li> <li>• migration and refugee crisis</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EU-Turkey deal on migration</li> <li>• jobs, growth and competitiveness / climate and energy</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• political consequences of the UK referendum</li> <li>• migration crisis</li> <li>• deepening of the single market</li> <li>• enhancing EU's security</li> </ul>	