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NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Delegations

Subject: Council Open Sessions - Statistics on Open Sessions held during the
Luxembourg Presidency (July - December 2015)
- Information from the General Secretariat of the Council

Delegations will find in the Annex a statistical overview of the Council's open sessions held during the Luxembourg Presidency (July - December 2015).

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)

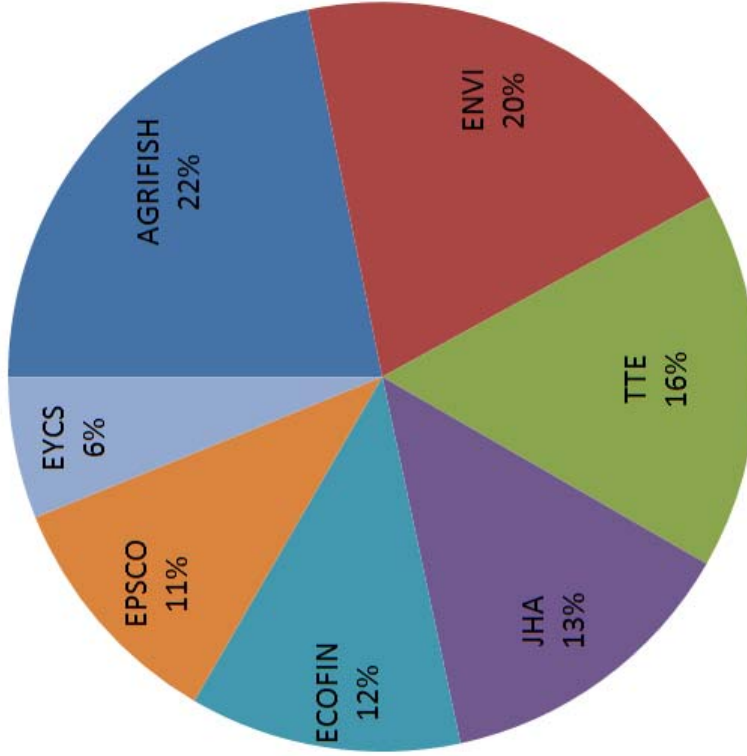
- **Public debates**
 - on important issues affecting EU citizens
(art 8(2) Council Rules of Procedure)
 - Council and Commission work programmes
(art 8(3) Council Rules of Procedure).

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

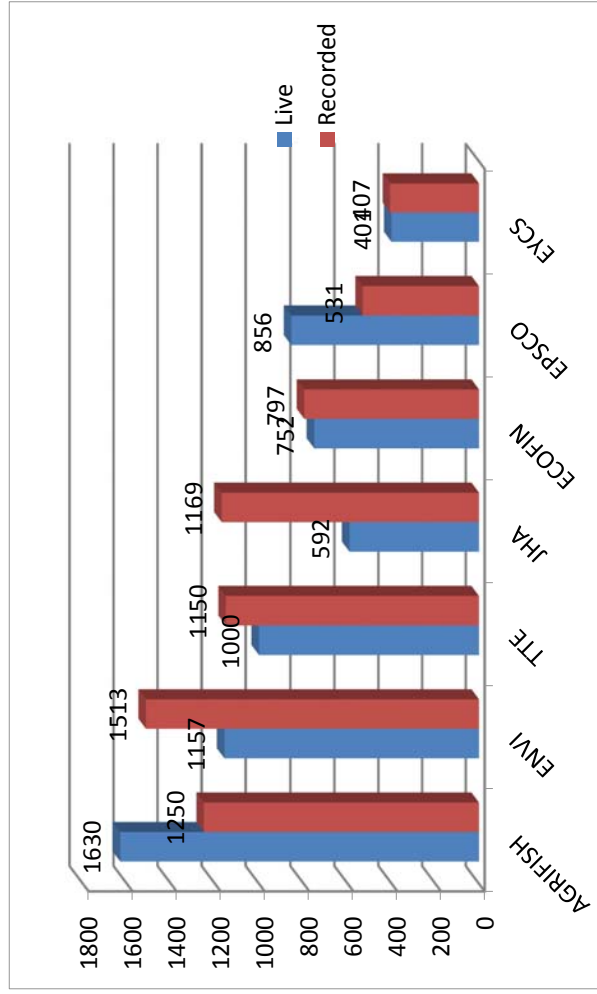
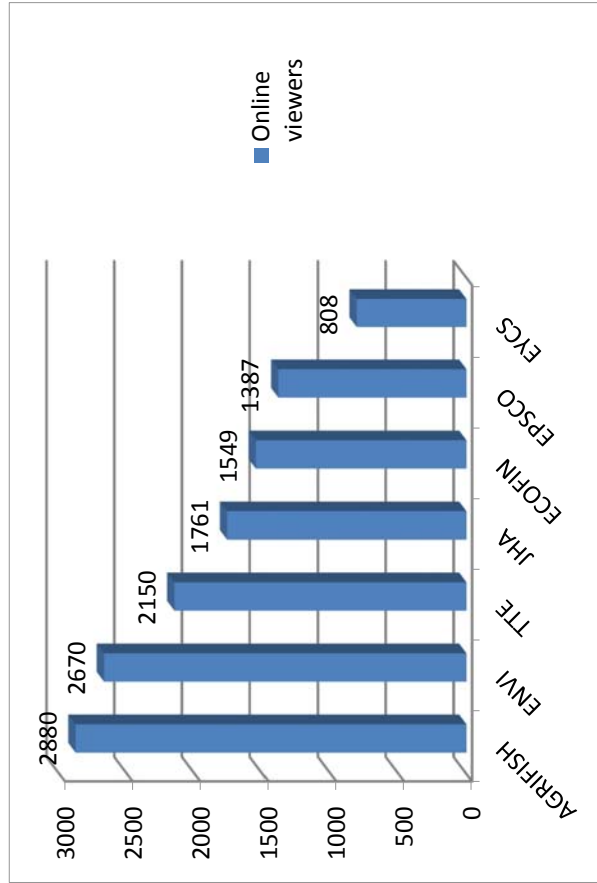
Online viewers of Council open sessions

Council configuration	Online viewers	View by	
		Live	Recorded
AGRIFISH	2880	1630	1250
ENVI	2670	1157	1513
TTE	2150	1000	1150
JHA	1761	592	1169
ECOFIN	1549	752	797
EPSCO	1387	856	531
EYCS	808	401	407
GAC	444	112	332
COMPET	288	64	224

Council configuration	Online viewers	Live	Recorded
Total	13937	6564	7373

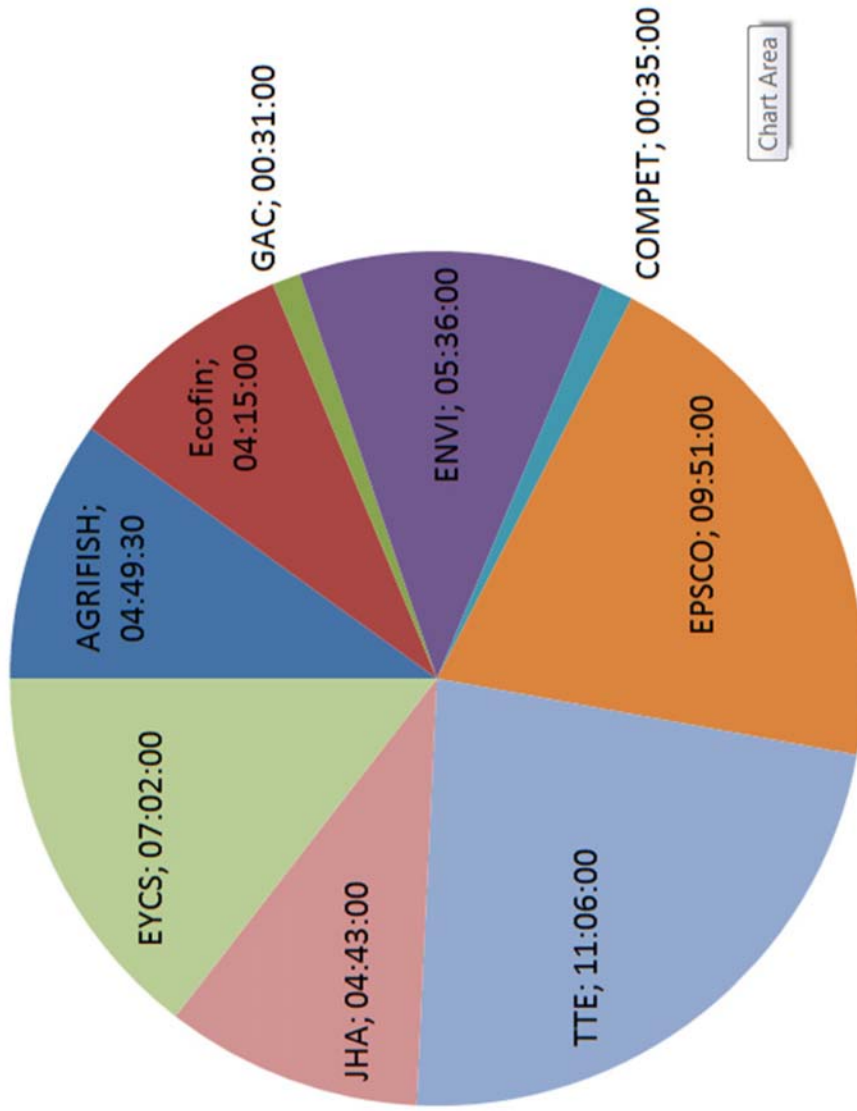


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Duration of open sessions per Council configuration

Council configuration	Duration
AGRIFISH	04:49:30
Ecofin	04:15:00
GAC	00:31:00
ENVI	05:36:00
COMPET	00:35:00
EPSCO	09:51:00
TTE	11:06:00
JHA	04:43:00
EYCS	07:02:00
Total	48:28:30



LUXEMBOURG PRESIDENCY
July - December 2015

Legislative deliberations		Public debates	
"A" Items for adoption	Agenda Items for discussion	Issues affecting EU citizens	Programmes
45	59	39	17
104 65%		56 35%	
TOTAL: 160			

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

EPSCO	JHA	TTE	ECOFIN	AGRI	ENV	EYCS	COMP
8	22	5	12	6	6	0	0

**Public debates
per Council formation**

EPSCO	JHA	TTE	ECOFIN	AGRI	ENV	EYCS	COMP
22	0	6	0	1	1	4	3









LUXEMBOURG PRESIDENCY July - December 2015

3403rd ECOFIN 14 July		3413th ECOFIN 6 October		3421st ECOFIN 11 November		3424th ECOFIN 13/14 November		3435th ECOFIN 8 December	
LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded
165	411	270	349	72	115	54	61	447	347
Press conference 1034	Press conference 114	Press conference 90	Press conference 13	Press conference 165					

LIVE Average: approximately 252 viewers

3435th ECOFIN
8 December 2016

Location of the **447** viewers
 watching the broadcast *LIVE*

	Belgium	171		France	40
	Luxembourg	61		Estonia	12
	United Kingdom	45		USA	8
	Germany	41		Sweden	6

- Items:
- Enhanced cooperation in the area of financial transaction tax
 - Common Consolidated Corporate Tax Base (CCCTB)
 - Completing the Banking Union











LUXEMBOURG PRESIDENCY July - December 2015

3409th ENV 18 September 2015		3419th ENV 26 October 2015		3441st ENV 16 December 2015	
LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded	LIVE	Recorded
91	242	316	578	751	789
Press conference 124		Press conference 70		Press conference 120	

LIVE Average: approximately 386 viewers

**3441st Environment
16 December 2015**

**Location of the 751 viewers
watching the broadcast LIVE**

	Belgium	243		Finland	21
	United Kingdom	120		Netherlands	19
	Germany	84		Poland	18
	Luxembourg	50		Italy	16
	USA	25		Switzerland	15

Items: Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the reduction of national emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants (2013/0443 (COD))
– General approach

LUXEMBOURG PRESIDENCY July - December 2015

EUROPEAN COUNCIL (informal) 23 September Press conference		EUROPEAN COUNCIL 15 October Press conferences		EUROPEAN COUNCIL (informal) 12 November Press conferences		EUROPEAN COUNCIL 17/18 December Press conference	
<i>LIVE</i>	Recorded	<i>LIVE</i>	Recorded	<i>LIVE</i>	Recorded	<i>LIVE</i>	Recorded
251	545	182	426	68	78	615	894
Discussed/Decided: mainly discussed the migrant crisis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agreed on priorities for immediate action • discuss how to respond to long term migratory challenges 		Discussed/Decided: mainly discussed the migrant crisis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agreed on a EU-Turkey joint action plan • discuss the strengthening of the EU's external borders and the issue of return 		Discussed/Decided: mainly discussed the migrant crisis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • decisions on relocation • setting up hotspots in GR, IT • reinforcing control of EU external borders 		Discussed/Decided: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refugee crisis • Referendum in the UK • Fight against terrorism • Welcomed COP 21 	

**Euro Summit
12 July 2015**

**Location of the 4 000 viewers
watching the press conference LIVE**

	Belgium	2292		Germany	169
	Netherlands	238		Luxembourg	102
	USA	222		Norway	88
	United Kingdom	196		Italy	82
	Australia	35		Hong Kong	30
	Japan	33		Singapore	30

Others: Canada, China, India, Malaysia, Malawi, Mexico and Russia.