

GGI in Europe

Your voice
in europe

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GGI – A part of the European Commission's Consulting Network

- **International** contacts (in more than 100 countries)
- Global alliance of **independent** business entities (unlike multitis)
- Experts representing clients – **advocacy** role
- GGI top management is now free to contact and consult members of the European Parliament and European Commission



Your Voice

- **EC**: executive body, proposes legislation
- **Access** point to a wide variety of **consultations** and discussions
- Enables you to **play** an **active role in the policy-making process**
- **Aims** at improving European governance and introducing Better Regulation



The importance of Your Voice to GGI members

- Allows **participation** in public consultations
- **Opinion** formed on policy issues forwarded to the European Commission
- Opportunity of **advocacy**
- Regular **information** on issues forwarded to members
- **Business** opportunity



Opinions about the following policy fields

- Development
- Employment and Social Affairs
- Enterprise
- Trans-European Networks
- Economic and Financial Affairs
- Energy
- Environment
- Internal Market
- Regional Policy
- Taxation
- Budget
- Competition
- Customs
- Enlargement
- External Relations
- Humanitarian Aid
- Justice and Fundamental Rights
- Research and Technology
- Trade

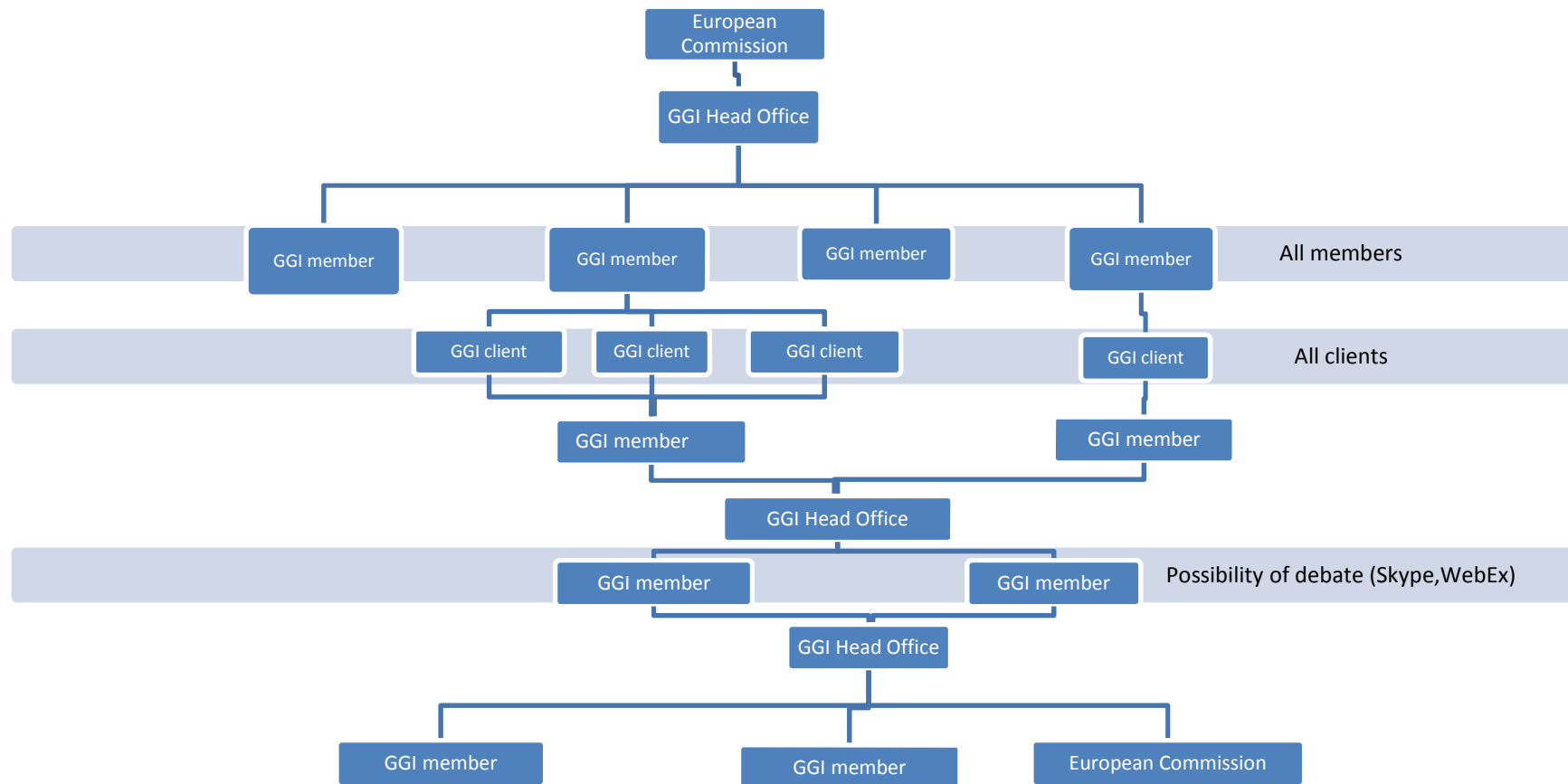
Current topics

Policy field	Description	Deadline
Competition	Consultation on the Notice on the notion of State aid	March 14, 2014.
Enterprise	Consultation on the European Tourism of the future	March 15, 2014.
Enterprise	Open consultation on regulatory and administrative framework on tourism businesses, public administrations, and other tourism stakeholders in the EU	March 15, 2014.
Enterprise	Consultation on certification for waste treatment facilities	March 17, 2014.
Competition	Draft Commission Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 906/2009 on Liner Shipping Consortia as regards its period of application	March 31, 2014.

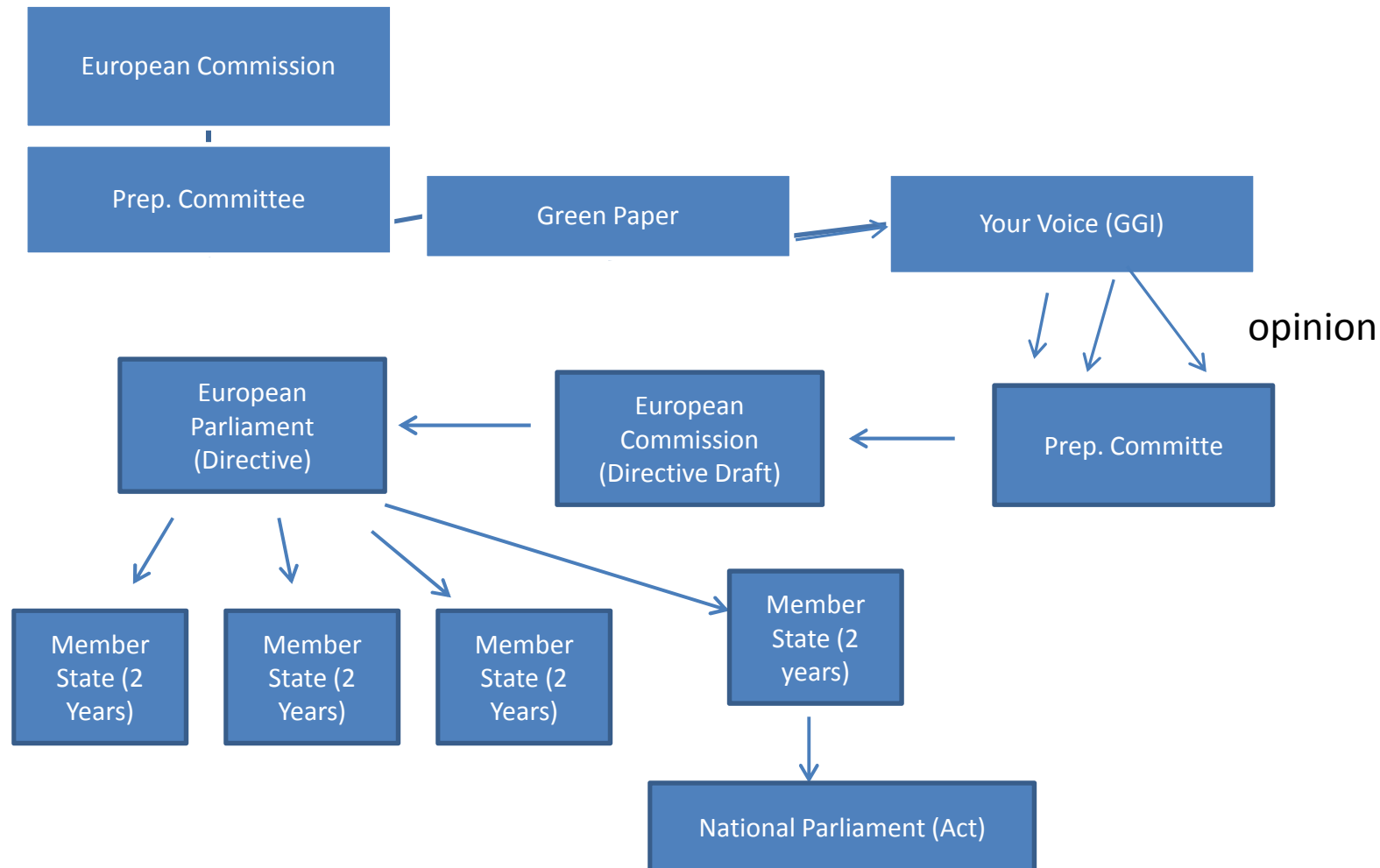
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Policy field	Description	Deadline
Environment	Consultation on the EU approach against wildlife trafficking	April 10, 2014.
Energy	Retail Energy Market	April 17, 2014.
Energy	Open consultation on the progress towards the 2020 energy efficiency objective and a 2030 energy efficiency policy framework	April 28, 2014.
Energy	Establishment of the annual priority lists for the development of network codes and guidelines for 2015 and beyond	May 09, 2014.

The procedure involving GGI



The realization process



Topic description

- **Topics:**
http://ec.europa.eu/yourvoice/consultations/index_en.htm
- More information tab
- Background document
- Reference documents and related consultations
- Clearly stated aims, objectives, the importance of the results
- Method of submitting contributions



The road so far

- Information sent out to all European GGI members
- Practice Group chairpersons receive info and forward them
- New design to improve the rate of contributions (leaflet)

Milestones in the 2014 European calendar

- **1 January – 30 June:** Rotating EU Greek Presidency
- **14-17 April:** Last Plenary session and last voting of the current European Parliament
- **22-25 May 2014:** Elections for the Members of the European Parliament are held in all 28 member states of the European Union, EU citizens will cast their ballots to elect 751 members of the European Parliament.
- **26 May 2014:** Informal meetings on the formation of Parliamentary political groups start
- **June 2014:** Parliamentary groups start informal negotiations with EU Council on next Commission President
- **June 2014:** formation of new thematic Committees of the new European Parliament
- **26-27 June:** Nomination of Commission President at the European Council Summit
- **1 July – 31 December 2014:** Rotating EU Italian Presidency
- **1-3 July:** Plenary session of the newly constituted European Parliament. Informal negotiations with the European Council and possible bilateral and/or multilateral negotiations with heads of state
- **14-17 July 2014:** Parliament votes on European Council's nomination of Commission President in its plenary session
- **June-August:** Member States nominate their Commissioner-Designate,
- **July-August:** New President to carry out consultation with each Member State and nominates his team of commissioners
- **September:** Scrutiny individual hearing with each and every Commissioner-Designate in front of the relevant parliamentary committees
- **October:** current (outgoing) Commission finishes its work
- **1 November:** Target date for the new European Commission to take up office
- **30 November:** End of second (and last) term of Herman Van Rompuy, President of the European Council, new President to take up office

Europe - 2014

- **EU parliamentary elections**
- Loss of time but also opportunity → **GGI is a part from the beginning**, observes processes (Ex: took time to incorporate electronic procurement directives)
- Lobbying, **influencing legislation** in order to make money
- EasyMeet generation is the future

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Thank you for your attention!

