

## Social dialogue at EU level

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### What defines social dialogue at EU level





## EU level social dialogue: forms

#### Bipartite Dialogue

Employers and trade unions

**Cross-industry social dialogue committee** 

Economy as a whole

Sectoral social dialogue committee

43 sectors of the economy

#### Tripartite Dialogue

Employers, trade unions and public authorities (Commission, Council)

**Tripartite Social Summit for Growth and Employment** 

Art. 152 TFEU



# Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU)

Art. 152:

Union recognises and promotes the role of social partners at Union level respecting their autonomy + Tripartite Social Summit

Art. 154:

**Consultation** of EU level social partners by the Commission + balanced support

Art. 155:

Agreements concluded by social partners





#### Consultation

**Compulsory two-stage consultation** before the European Commission's proposals in the **social** policy field

The so-called Article 154 list

Social partners can directly influence legislative initiatives





### **Agreements**

Autonomous agreements implemented by social partners

- telework (2002)
- work-related stress (2004)
- handling and use of Crystalline Silica (2004)

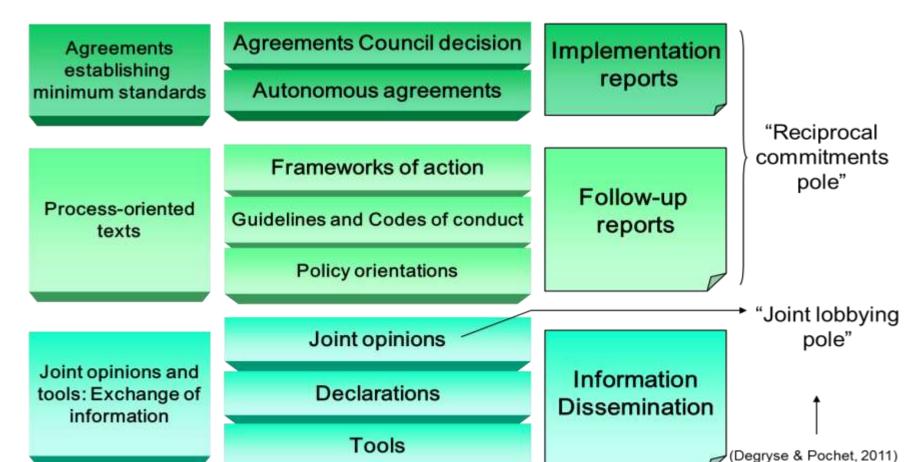
#### Agreements implemented as Council Directives

- parental leave (1995/2009)
- part-time work (1997)
- Maritime Labour Convention(1999/2006/2018)
- Work in Fishing (2017)





## Agreements and other social dialogue outcomes



Social Europe



## **EU funding**

- Logistical, operational and financial support for meetings
- 3 calls for proposals a year
- European Social Fund (ESF): capacity building of social partners and implementation of reforms and policies





## A priority for the new European Commission

- Political Guidelines of President elect Ursula von der Leyen
- Mission letters to Executive Vice President designate Valdis Dombrovskis and Commissioner for Jobs designate Nicolas Schmit





#### **More information**

#### Social dialogue

http://ec.europa.eu/social dialogue/

#### **Eurofound**

https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/topic/social-dialogue



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