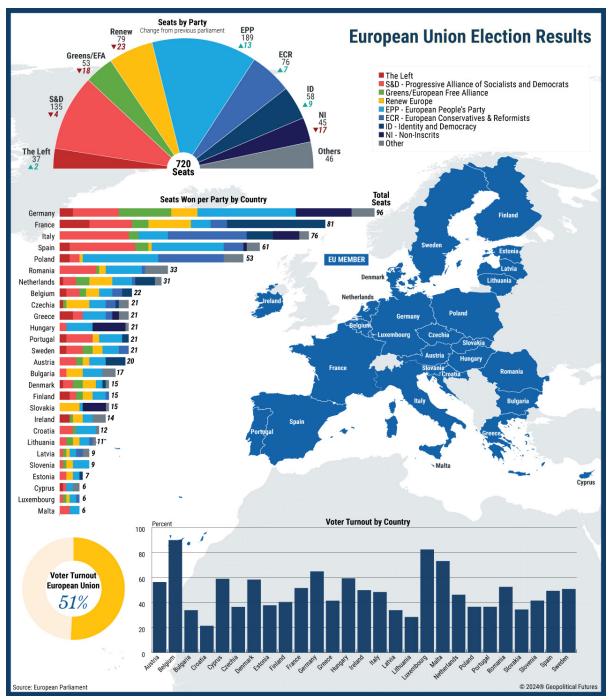


The European Parliament's New Composition

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European Parliament elections last weekend saw mixed results for the legislature's euroskeptic and pro-bloc parties. Populist parties had small gains with the ID and the ECR groupings winning 134



seats combined. However, the vast majority of seats went to pro-integration parties with the three biggest groupings winning 403 of 720 seats. Moderation still reigns in European institutions.

One of the most notable outcomes of the race came in France. The far-right National Rally party, part of the ID grouping, won roughly 31 percent of the French vote, more than double the support garnered by President Emmanuel Macron's own party. This led Macron to dissolve the national assembly and call snap elections for later this month.

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