



# **INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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INSTITUTIONS

ORGANS

AGENCIES

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decentralized

executive

under Security  
and Defence  
Policy

EURATOM

other

# EUROPEAN UNION AGENCIES

## main features

- bring some level of EU tasks' decentralization
- are spread out across the EU Member States
- work on technical and scientific know-how of specific domains
- integrate different groups of interests in order to facilitate dialogue at the EU level

# EUROPEAN UNION AGENCIES

## types

agencies, which mainly perform informative tasks

agencies, which play an important role in the decision-making process (e.g. they are obliged to issue an expert opinion), although they do not possess decision-making competences

agencies, which possess decision-making competences in order to implement the EU policies

# EUROPEAN UNION AGENCIES

MANAGEMENT BOARD

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

COMMITTEES (TECHNICAL OR SCIENTIFIC)

# DECENTRALIZED AGENCIES

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- set up to perform technical tasks that help the EU institutions implement policies and take decisions
- spread across the EU
- about 33 decentralized agencies, which deals with matters like: *food safety, medicines, chemicals, education, quality of work, environment, justice, transport safety, security, fundamental rights*
- [https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/agencies/decentralised-agencies\\_en](https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/agencies/decentralised-agencies_en)

# EXECUTIVE AGENCIES

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- created by the European Commission for a limited period of time
- set up to manage specific tasks related to the EU programmes
- legal basis: Council Regulation (EC) No 58/2003 of 19 December 2002 laying down the statute for executive agencies to be entrusted with certain tasks in the management of Community programmes

# EXECUTIVE AGENCIES

- I. Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises
- II. Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency
- III. Consumers, Health, Agriculture and Food Executive Agency
- IV. Innovation and Networks Executive Agency
- V. Research Executive Agency
- VI. European Research Council Executive Agency

