

# DOMESTIC POLITICS



- Does this country have a federal system?
  - How does this influence its European policy?
- Does it face secessionist / independence issues?

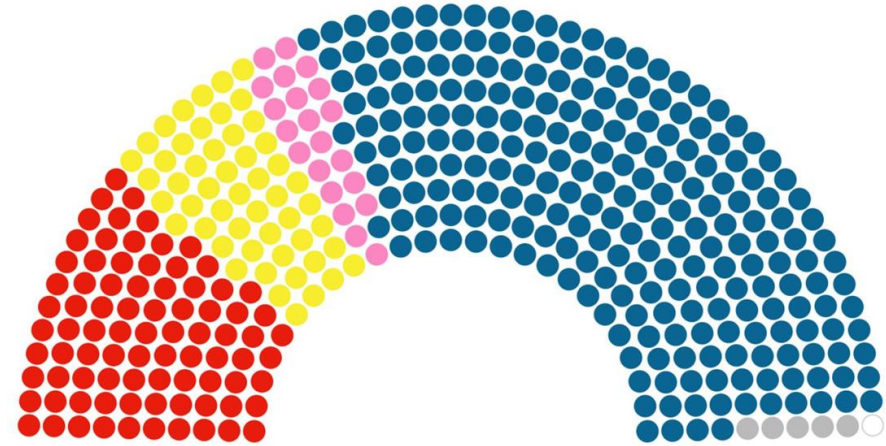


# STRONG GOVERNMENT?

- Does this country usually have strong governments?
  - Electoral law → single-party or coalition governments?
  - Nature of party system
  - Domestic culture of compromise?
- How strong is the current government?
  - What happened at the last election?
  - Is there a secure parliamentary majority?
  - If a coalition, is it robust?
  - Is it facing re-election soon?

## Right controls Chamber of Deputies

Brothers of Italy has 114 of 237 right-wing seats

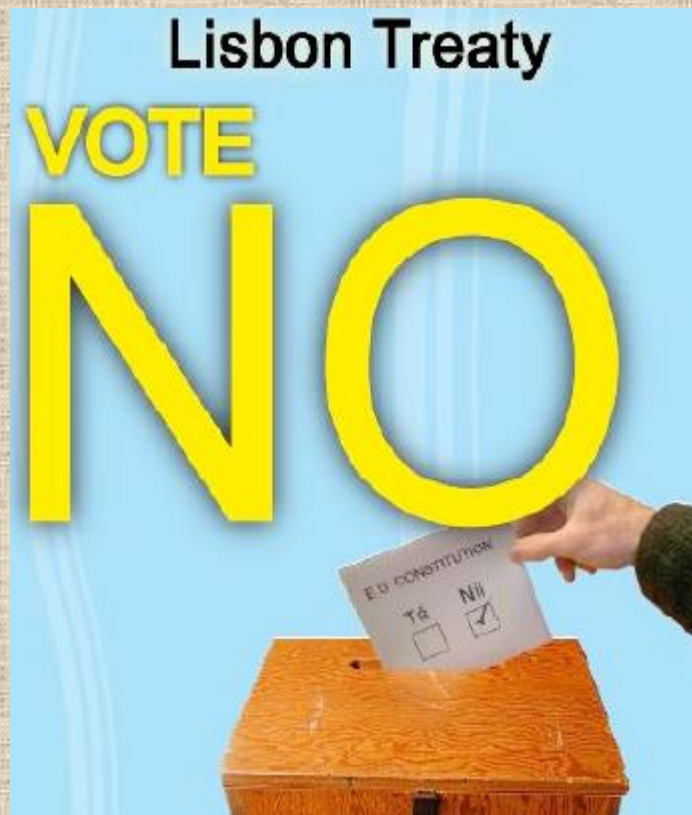


Coalition	2022
● Centre Left	84
● Five Star Movement	52
● Third Pole	21
● Right Wing	237
● Other	5

Source: Ansa/Interior Ministry

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# CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITATIONS ON ITS EUROPEAN POLICY?



# IS THERE STRONG EUROSCEPTICISM WITHIN THE SOCIETY?



- Euroscepticism 'expresses the idea of contingent or qualified opposition, as well as incorporating outright and unqualified opposition to the process of European integration' (Paul Taggart, 'A touchstone of dissent', *EJPR* 1998)