

The European Commission

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You are a member of the European Commission at the negotiations for the Treaty of Lisbon. As such, you represent the main executive body of the EU. At meetings, such as IGCs, **you present policy documents to the national representatives.** Your main goal is to help the IGC come to a final agreement. While the heads of state and their government also wish to further national interests, the Commission can use the negotiations to advance its institutional position, but also present a united Europe to the public.

Being the representative of the Commission, **you lead the negotiations.**

On the agenda for today are the discussions on the implementation of the Qualified Majority Voting and the extension of a combined foreign and security policy.

Ideas for your Opening Statement:

- Welcome
- Introduction into the agenda for the day
 - 5 minutes preparation time
 - Opening statements: 1.5 minutes each
 - 10 minutes formal discussion
 - 5 minutes voting on the two topics
- Reminder of shared goals and the importance of a new treaty