Coalition Politics in Central Eastern Europe

This comparative dataset combines the datasets that was collected for *Coalition Governance in Central Eastern Europe* (2020), edited by Torbjörn Bergman, Gabriella Ilonszki, and Wolfgang C. Müller, and *Coalition Governance in Central Eastern Europe: Governing in Times of Crisis* (2024), edited by Torbjörn Bergman, Gabriella Ilonszki, and Johan Hellström.

All data were meticulously collected by experts on coalition politics in their respective country using standardized coding instructions and interview guidelines. Specifically, the data were gathered from official documents (government, administration, and parliament) and party documents (election manifestos, coalition agreements), by conducting semi-structured interviews with (former) staff and cabinet members as well as a systemic analysis of media reports.

The dataset provides detailed information on important aspects of government formation, coalition governance, and government termination in ten Central Eastern European countries from their democratic transitions up to December 31, 2021.

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Structure of the codebook

The following sections then each contain detailed information on

- the name of the variable as it is defined in the dataset,
- the label briefly describing the variable,
- the attached value label,
- relevant additional information on specific coding decisions (where applicable),

For several variables such as the partisan composition of the cabinet or the allocation of portfolios the information is given using party abbreviations and/or party-IDs. Please refer to the corresponding *party codebook* for further information.

General Definitions

Government coalition: Defined as a multi-party government where more than one party is represented in the cabinet with full voting right.

Party: Defined as running in the relevant parliamentary election under a distinct label and/or forming an independent parliamentary party group (PPG) consisting of three or more MPs after the election (disregarding national rules of recognizing and privileging PPGs).

Coalition party: Defined as a political party that has a minimum of one seat with full voting right in the cabinet (i.e. the Prime Minister, Vice Prime Minister, cabinet minister).

Change of cabinets: A change of cabinet is recorded when any of the following events occur:

- Any change in the set of parties holding cabinet membership.
- Any change in the identity of the Prime Minister.
- Any general election.

Non-partisan and "caretaker" cabinets: Non-partisan cabinets (if existent) are in the dataset. However, no new cabinet is defined when a regular cabinet has resigned but remains in office as an acting cabinet.

General information on the cabinets

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
country_id	Country		
country_id_iso	Country numeric ISO code		ISO 3166-1 standard
country_name	Country name		Country name in English
cab_id	Cabinet ID	First two digits: country Second two digits: cabinet	
cab_name	Cabinet		Name of the PM consecutively numbered with Roman figures
date_in	Date in	DDmonYYYY (e.g. 13jul2014)	First day in cabinet life according to official criteria defined as: (a) date that PM/cabinet was appointed by head of state (b) date of investiture vote in parliament (c) date of general election
year_month_in	Year/month of cabinet formation	YYYYmm (e.g. 2014m7)	
year_in	Year of cabinet formation	YYYY	
date_out	Date out	DDmonYYYY (e.g. 13jul2014)	Last day in cabinet life defined as: (a) day of cabinet resignation (b) day of general election
year_month_out	Year/month of cabinet termination	YYYYmm (e.g. 2014m7)	
year_out	Year of cabinet termination	YYYY	

form_decade	Decade by date of formation	90: 1990s 100: 2000s 110: 2010s 120: 2020s	
cab_duration_max	Maximum possible cabinet duration	measured in days	Defined as: remainder of the parliamentary term when cabinet assumes office until (a) next constitutionally mandated parliamentary elections (b) next constitutionally mandated presidential elections if it is required or customary for governments to resign at that time
cab_duration_days	Cabinet duration	measured in days	Defined as: time period between cabinet's first and last day in office
cab_duration_relative	Relative cabinet duration		Defined as: share of potential duration the cabinet was in office
cab_composition1	Cabinet composition	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks	List of cabinet parties, beginning with the party of the PM
cab_composition2	Cabinet composition	Party IDs; see party codebooks	List of cabinet parties, beginning with the party of the PM
cab_party**X**	Cabinet party **X**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
cab_num_parties	Number of cabinet parties		
cab_coalition	Coalition	0: no 1: yes	
cab_majority	Cabinet majority (50% + 1) seat)	0: no 1: yes	

cab_surplus	Cabinet surplus majority	0: no 1: yes	
govtype	Government type	1: Min	Minority coalition cabinet: Holds less than 50 % plus one seat in parliament. Single-party minority cabinets are likewise coded as ‘Min’
		2: Maj	Single-party majority cabinet: Holds 50% plus one seat in parliament. Is not a coalition.
		3: Mwc	Minimal winning coalition: Is turned into a losing coalition by the subtraction of any of the coalition parties, i.e., if it loses a coalition party it holds less than 50 % plus one seat.
		4: Sur	Surplus majority coalition: Can lose a coalition party and still be winning, i.e. control 50 % plus one seat or more in the parliament
		5: Non	A non-partisan cabinet, e.g. appointed by a president to hold an election
newgov_type	Type of new government	1: Election 2: Replacement 3: PM change, but same party composition as previous cabinet 4: Other 5: Non-partisan cabinet	Records if a new cabinet is the result of an election, replacement of one or several cabinet parties without a preceding election, of if there has only been a change of PM without a preceding election.
post_election_cab	Post-electoral cabinet	0: No 1: Yes	
support_parties	Support parties	See party codebooks.	
support_party**X**	Support party **X**	See party codebooks.	
techno_maj	Technocrat ministry majority	0: No 1: Yes	
techno_pm	Technocrat PM	0: No	

		1: Yes	
techno_remit	Broad policy remit	0: No	A cabinet without a broad policy remit is considered a caretaker cabinet.
		1: Yes	

The political parties and the party system (lower chamber)

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
prox_election	Proximity to election: lower chamber	1 (FE): Cabinets immediately following an election and ended by the next election. 2 (F): Cabinets immediately following an election. 3 (N): Cabinets neither immediately following an election nor ended by the next election. 4 (E): Cabinets ended by an election.	
elecdate	Election date	DDmonYYYY (e.g. 13jul2014)	Date of most recent parliamentary election: (a) two-round elections: date of second round (b) elections held over several days: date of last day
num_parties	Number of parties in parliament		All parties according to the definition of 'party' given above, excluding 'others'.
largest_party	Largest party in parliament: lower chamber	See party codebooks.	
largest_party_incab	Largest party in parliament: lower chamber in cabinet	0: No 1: Yes	
largest_party_share	Seat share of largest party in parliament: lower chamber		
minority_sit	Minority situation in parliament	0: no 1: yes	No single party holds 50% plus one seat or more of parliamentary seats

minority_sit	Minority situation in parliament	0: no	No single party holds 50% plus one seat or more of parliamentary seats
seats	Total number of seats: lower chamber		
cab_strength_lower	Cabinet strength: lower chamber		
cab_strength_out	Cabinet strength at date out: lower chamber		
cab_seatshare	Cabinet seat share		
enpp	Effective number of parliamentary parties: lower chamber		All legislators subsumed under ‘others’ treated as one single party (minimum fragmentation)
enpp_no_others	Effective number of parliamentary parties: lower chamber (Other minor parties and independents excluded)		All legislators subsumed under ‘others’ have been excluded from the calculation of the measure.
dim_first_median	Party of the median legislator: first policy dimension; lower chamber		
dim_first_median_2nd	Party of the median legislator: first policy dimension; lower chamber; 2nd party	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	Excluding legislators subsumed under ‘others’
dim_first_label	First policy dimension (label)		
dim_second_median	Party of the median legislator: second policy dimension; lower chamber	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	Excluding legislators subsumed under ‘others’

dim_second_median_2nd	Party of the median legislator: second policy dimension; lower chamber; 2nd party	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	Excluding legislators subsumed under ‘others’; only coded if a second median party exists
dim_second_label	Second policy dimension (label)		
dim_third_median	Party of the median legislator: third policy dimension; lower chamber	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	Excluding legislators subsumed under ‘others’
dim_third_label	Third policy dimension (label)		

The political parties and the party system (upper chamber)

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
prox_election_upper	Proximity to election: upper chamber	1 (FE): Cabinets immediately following an election and ended by the next election. 2 (F): Cabinets immediately following an election. 3 (N): Cabinets neither immediately following an election nor ended by the next election. 4 (E): Cabinets ended by an election.	
upper_seats_total	Total number of seats: upper chamber		
cab_strength_upper	Cabinet strength: upper chamber		
cab_strength_upper_out	Cabinet strength at date out: upper chamber		
upper_majority	Cabinet majority (50% + 1) seat: upper chamber	0: no 1: yes	
upper_enpp	Effective number of parliamentary parties: upper chamber		All legislators subsumed under ‘others’ treated as one single party (minimum fragmentation)
upper_dim_first_median	Party of the median legislator: first policy dimension; upper chamber	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	Excluding legislators subsumed under ‘others’

upper_dim_second_median	Party of the median legislator: second policy dimension; upper chamber	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	Excluding legislators subsumed under ‘others’

Bargaining over government

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
form_duration	Number of days required for cabinet formation	measured in days	Time period between ‘Date out’ of previous cabinet and ‘Date in’ of current cabinet.
form_duration_alt	Number of days required for cabinet formation	measured in days	Number of days since the election OR the ‘Date out’ of previous cabinet if it is terminated between elections. Thus, this alternative measurement ignores/doesn’t count the time between ‘Date out’ of previous cabinet and the election date.
barg_total_duration	Total bargaining duration	measured in days	Time period between the first day of the first (potentially inconclusive) bargaining round and the last day of the successful bargaining attempt.
barg_fail_rounds	Number of inconclusive bargaining rounds		
barg_success_parties	Parties involved in successful bargaining round	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks	
barg_success_duration	Duration of successful bargaining round	measured in days	
barg_success_party1 – barg_success_party6			
barg_success_party**X**	Parties involved in successful bargaining round: Party **X**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
barg_fail1_parties	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks	

barg_fail1_parties	Duration of unsuccessful bargaining round	measured in days
barg_fail1_party1 – barg_fail1_party9		
barg_fail1_party**X**	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round: Party **X**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks
barg_fail2	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks
barg_fail2_dur	Duration of unsuccessful bargaining round	measured in days
barg_fail2_party1 - barg_fail2_party8		
barg_fail2_party**X**	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round: Party **X**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks
barg_fail3	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks
barg_fail3_dur	Duration of unsuccessful bargaining round	measured in days
barg_fail3_party1 - barg_fail3_party7		
barg_fail3_party**X**	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round: Party **X**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks
barg_fail4	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks
barg_fail4_dur	Duration of unsuccessful bargaining round	measured in days
barg_fail4_party1 - barg_fail4_party3		

barg_fail4_party**X**	Parties involved in unsuccessful bargaining round: Party **X**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks
form_invest_pro	Final vote of investiture: pro	
form_invest_con	Final vote of investiture: contra	
form_invest_abs	Final vote of investiture: abstentions	

Coalition agreements and conflict management mechanisms

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
coal_agree	Coalition agreement	0: N – No written coalition agreement 1: PRE – Pre-electoral written coalition agreement 2: POST – Post-electoral written coalition agreement 3: IE – Written coalition agreement in the case of coalitions formed during the parliamentary term (not immediately following elections) 4: PRE, POST – Pre- and post-electoral written coalition agreement 5: PRE, POST, IE – Pre-, post- and interelectoral written coalition agreements	
coal_agree_public	Agreement public	0: no 1: yes	
coal_elec_rule	Election rule	0: no 1: yes	
coal_conf	Conflict management mechanisms	IC – Inner cabinet: a subset of cabinet ministers which is not issue-specific and which is stable over time CaC – Cabinet committee(s): typically issue-specific; they may include cabinet	

		ministers, junior ministers, and/or civil servants CoC – Coalition committee: typically permanent with relatively stable membership, consisting of party leaders but not limited to cabinet members Parl – Parliamentary leaders: heads of the coalition parties' parliamentary groups PCa – Combination of cabinet members and parliamentarians PS – Party summit: typically ad hoc, consisting of one or several leaders for each coalition party, some but not all attendants may be cabinet members O – Other – please consult the comments to Table 4 of the country chapters in the associated book for a more detailed description.
coal_conf_mech1	CMM: Mechanism 1	1: IC 2: CaC 3: CoC 4: Parl 5: PCa 6: PS 7: O
coal_conf_mech2	CMM: Mechanism 2	
coal_conf_mech3	CMM: Mechanism 3	
coal_conf_mech4	CMM: Mechanism 4	
coal_conf_mech5	CMM: Mechanism 5	
coal_conf_mech6	CMM: Mechanism 6	
coal_conf_common	CMM used for most common conflicts	IC – Inner cabinet: a subset of cabinet ministers which is not issue-specific and which is stable over time

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coal_conf_common_mech1	CMM used for most common conflicts: Mechanism 1	1: IC 2: CaC 3: CoC 4: Parl 5: PCa 6: PS 7: O
coal_conf_common_mech2	CMM used for most common conflicts: Mechanism 2	
coal_conf_common_mech3	CMM used for most common conflicts: Mechanism 3	
coal_conf_serious	CMM used for most serious conflicts	IC – Inner cabinet: a subset of cabinet ministers which is not issue-specific and which is stable over time

		CaC – Cabinet committee(s): typically issue-specific; they may include cabinet ministers, junior ministers, and/or civil servants CoC – Coalition committee: typically permanent with relatively stable membership, consisting of party leaders but not limited to cabinet members Parl – Parliamentary leaders: heads of the coalition parties' parliamentary groups PCa – Combination of cabinet members and parliamentarians PS – Party summit: typically ad hoc, consisting of one or several leaders for each coalition party, some but not all attendants may be cabinet members O – Other – please consult the comments to Table 4 of the country chapters in the associated book for a more detailed description.
coal_conf_serious_mech1	CMM used for most serious conflicts: Mechanism 1	1: IC 2: CaC 3: CoC 4: Parl 5: PCa 6: PS 7: O
coal_conf_serious_mech2	CMM used for most serious conflicts: Mechanism 2	
personalunion	Personal union	0: no

		1: yes
personalunion_party1	Exception to personal union: Party 1	See party codebooks
personalunion_party2	Exception to personal union: Party 2	See party codebooks
personalunion_party3	Exception to personal union: Party 3	See party codebooks
personalunion_party4	Exception to personal union: Party 4	See party codebooks
personalunion_party5	Exception to personal union: Party 5	See party codebooks
personalunion_party6	Exception to personal union: Party 6	See party codebooks
exclagenda	Issues excluded from agenda	0: no
		1: yes
coal_disc_leg	Coalition discipline in legislation	1: yes always 2: yes, except explicitly exempted 3: no, except explicit policies 4: no
coal_disc_parl	Coalition discipline in other parliamentary behaviour	1: yes always 2: yes, except explicitly exempted 3: no, except explicit policies 4: no
coal_free_appointment	Freedom of appointment	0: no, i.e. ministerial posts are subject to coalition approval/veto 1: yes

coal_policy	Agreement on policies (coalition agreement)	0: no explicit agreement 1: on few selected policies 2: on a variety of issues, but not comprehensive 3: comprehensive policy platform
coal_junmin	Agreement on junior ministers	0: no 1: yes
coal_noncab	Agreement on non-cabinet positions	0: no, i.e. left to the discretion of parliament or individual ministers 1: yes

Coalition agreements

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
coal_size_agreement_doc1	Size of agreement	approximate number of words	
coal_size_agreement_doc2	Size of agreement; additional agreement number 1	approximate number of words	
coal_size_agreement_doc3	Size of agreement; additional agreement number 2	approximate number of words	
coal_size_agreement_doc4	Size of agreement; additional agreement number 3	approximate number of words	
coal_size_agreement_all	Size of agreement: all agreements	approximate number of words	Corresponds to the sum of all coalition agreements
coal_genrules_doc1	General rules	in %	
coal_genrules_doc2	General rules: additional agreement number 1	in %	
coal_genrules_doc3	General rules: additional agreement number 2	in %	
coal_genrules_doc4	General rules: additional agreement number 3	in %	
coal_genrules_all	General rules: all agreements	in %	

coal_polspec_doc1	Policy specific procedural rules	in %
coal_polspec_doc2	Policy specific procedural rules: additional agreement number 1	in %
coal_polspec_doc3	Policy specific procedural rules: additional agreement number 2	in %
coal_polspec_doc4	Policy specific procedural rules: additional agreement number 3	in %
coal_polspec_all	Policy specific procedural rules: all agreements	in %
coal_distoff_doc1	Distribution of offices:	in %
coal_distoff_doc2	Distribution of offices: additional agreement number 1	in %
coal_distoff_doc3	Distribution of offices: additional agreement number 2	in %
coal_distoff_doc4	Distribution of offices: additional agreement number 3	in %
coal_distoff_all	Distribution of offices: all agreements	in %

coal_distcomp_doc1	Distribution of competences	in %
coal_distcomp_doc2	Distribution of competences: additional agreement number 1	in %
coal_distcomp_doc3	Distribution of competences: additional agreement number 2	in %
coal_distcomp_doc4	Distribution of competences: additional agreement number 3	in %
coal_distcomp_all	Distribution of competences: all agreements	in %
coal_pol_doc1	Policies	in %
coal_pol_doc2	Policies: additional agreement number 1	in %
coal_pol_doc3	Policies: additional agreement number 2	in %
coal_pol_doc4	Policies: additional agreement number 3	in %
coal_pol_all	Policies: all agreements	in %

Portfolio allocation and ministerial structure

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
num_ministries	Number of ministries		
num_ministers	Number of cabinet members		
junmin	Information on junior ministers	1: there are no junior ministers according to the definition given below 2: all junior minsters are from the same party holding the portfolio 3: there are watchdog junior ministers at least for some portfolios and we have information for all of them 4: there are watchdog junior ministers at least for some portfolios and we have information for some of them 5: there are watchdog junior ministers at least for some portfolios but we have no information on any of them	
deputy_party1	Deputy PM party 1	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
deputy_party2	Deputy PM party 2	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
deputy_party3	Deputy PM party 3	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
deputy_party4	Deputy PM party 4	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
deputy_party5	Deputy PM party 5	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
deputy_port1	Portfolio Deputy PM party 1		
deputy_port2	Portfolio Deputy PM party 2		

deputy_port3	Portfolio Deputy PM party 3		
deputy_port4	Portfolio Deputy PM party 4		
portfolio1_party1 – portfolio53_party1			Please consult the country chapters or Appendix A of this Codebook for the corresponding portfolios
portfolio**Y**_party**X**	Party **X** holding portfolio **Y**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	
jm_portfolio2_party1 - jm_portfolio35_party1			
jm_portfolio**Y**_party**X**	Party **X** junior minister portfolio **Y**	Party-IDs; see party codebooks	

Termination events

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
term_disc	Discretionary termination	0: No 1: Yes	
term_tech_regelec	Regular parliamentary election	0: no 1: yes	
term_tech_const	Other constitutional reason	0: no 1: yes	
term_tech_death	Death of PM	0: no 1: yes	
term_disc_earlyelec	Early parliamentary election	0: no	

		1: yes
term_disc_enlarge	Voluntary enlargement of coalition	0: no 1: yes
term_disc_voluntary	Other voluntary reason	0: no 1: yes
term_disc_cabdefeat	Cabinet defeat in parliament	0: no 1: yes
term_disc_conflict_pol	Conflict between coalition parties (policy)	0: no 1: yes
term_disc_conflict_pers	Conflict between coalition parties (personnel)	0: no 1: yes
term_disc_conflict_parties	Conflict between coalition parties: Parties involved	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks
term_disc_intra	Intra party conflict	0: no 1: yes
term_disc_intra	Intra party conflict: Party involved	Party abbreviations; see party codebooks
term_disc_intra_conflict	Intra party conflict: Type of conflict	L – Conflict in national party leadership (national executive committee, cabinet, parliamentary party leadership) (NB: This is conflict contained in the leadership.)

		NL – Conflict between united national party leadership (national executive committee, cabinet, parliamentary party leadership) and non-leaders (party activists, party congress delegates, backbench MPs, regional leaders, etc.) LNL – Conflict in national party leadership (national executive committee, cabinet, parliamentary party leadership) including grass-roots mobilization (i.e. conflict is not confined to the top level)
term_event_nonparlelec	Non-parliamentary elections	0: no 1: yes
term_event_popshock	Popular opinion shock	0: no 1: yes
term_event_intnat	International or national security event	0: no 1: yes
term_event_econ	Economic event	0: no 1: yes
term_event_pers	Personal event	0: no 1: yes
term_ministry	Ministry involved	
term_descr	Description of dominant policy area	

Institutions

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
inst_bicam	Bicameralism	0: no 1: yes	
inst_posparl	Positive parliamentarism	0: no 1: yes	
inst_convote	Constructive vote of no-confidence	0: no 1: yes	
inst_pmpower	PM powers		
pmpower_formcab	Formal cabinet decision rule	0: no 1: yes	
pmpower_formcab_rule1	Type of actual decision rule 1	1: unanimity 2: majority 3: consensus defined by PM (by way of summarizing cabinet debate) 4: consensus defined by head of state (by way of summarizing cabinet debate)	
pmpower_formcab_rule2	Type of actual decision rule 2	1: unanimity 2: majority 3: consensus defined by PM (by way of summarizing cabinet debate)	

		4: consensus defined by head of state (by way of summarizing cabinet debate)
pmpower_minappoint	PM right to appoint ministers	0: no 1: yes
pmpower_minappoint_rule	Type of actual appointment right	1: yes, PM alone 2: yes, through formal act carried out by head of state 3: no, head of state has discretionary powers 4: other
pmpower_mindismiss	PM right to dismiss ministers	0: no 1: yes
pmpower_mindismiss_rule	Type of actual dismissal right	1: yes, PM alone 2: yes, through formal act carried out by head of state 3: no, head of state has discretionary powers 4: other
pmpower_minaccount	Ministers' parliamentary accountability	0: direct 1: via PM only 2: via vote of no confidence against full cabinet only
pmpower_pmjurisdiction	PM formal right to determine jurisdiction of ministries	0: no 1: yes

pmpower_pmsteering	PM steering or coordination rights vis-à-vis cabinet ministers	0: no 1: yes
pmpower_pmagenda	PM full control over agenda for cabinet meeting	0: no 1: yes
pmpower_pmoffice	Regular bureaucratic structure in PM's office designed to monitor departmental affairs	0: no 1: yes
pmpower_pmoffice_rule1	Description of structure 1	1: personal staff (political appointees) 2: civil service staff 3: PM occupies specific (PM) portfolio 4: other
pmpower_pmoffice_rule2	Description of structure 2	1: personal staff (political appointees) 2: civil service staff 3: PM occupies specific (PM) portfolio 4: other
pmpower_pmoffice_rule3	Description of structure 3	1: personal staff (political appointees) 2: civil service staff 3: PM occupies specific (PM) portfolio 4: other
pmpower_pmoffice_rule4	Description of structure 4	1: personal staff (political appointees) 2: civil service staff

		3: PM occupies specific (PM) portfolio 4: other	
inst_seminpres	Semi-presidentialism	0: no 1: yes	
inst_comment	Comments		

Seat data

Variable	Label	Value Label/Format	Additional Information
seats_party**X**	Party seats lower chamber: Party **X**		**X** corresponds to the party with the same last digits, e.g. lower_seats_party14 for country 12 corresponds to the party with the party id 120014
upper_seats_party**X**	Party seats upper chamber: Party **X**		**X** corresponds to the party with the same last digits, e.g. upper_seats_party14 for country 12 corresponds to the party with the party id 120014

Appendix A: portfolio codes (portfolio1 – portfolio53)

Code	Portfolio Name
	Bulgaria
1	Prime Minister
2	Finance Minister (in Charge of State Budget)
3	Foreign Affairs
4	Ministry in Charge of Interior
5	Ministry of Defence
6	Ministry of Justice
7	Ministry of Economy
8	Ministry of Agriculture
9	Ministry of Construction, Architecture and Public Utilities
10	Ministry of Transport
11	Ministry of Employment and Social Services
12	Ministry of Environment
13	Ministry of Healthcare
14	Ministry of Culture
15	Ministry of Higher Education and Science
16	Ministry of Trade and Tourism
17	Ministry of Energy and Energy Resources
18	Ministry of Youth and Sport
19	Ministry of Foreign Trade
20	Ministry of Public Education
21	Ministry of State Policy for Disasters and Accidents
22	Ministry of State Administration
23	Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Culture
24	No portfolio, charged with State Administration
25	No portfolio, charged with European Integration
26	No portfolio
27	Ministry of Investment Planning
28	Digital Governance
29	Efficient Governance
	Czech Republic
1	Prime Minister
2	Minister of Finance
3	Minister of Foreign Affairs
4	Minister of Interior

5 Minister of Justice
6 Minister of Defence
7 Minister for Economic Competition
8 Minister for Environmental Protection
9 Minister for Industry and Trade
10 Minister of Economy
11 Minister of Culture
12 Minister of Health
13 Minister of Education, Youth and Sports
14 Minister of National Property and Privatization
15 Minister of Labour and Social Affairs
16 Minister of Transportation
17 Minister for Agriculture
18 Minister for Regional Development
19 No portfolio
20 Minister of Informatics
21 No portfolio (Head of Legislative Council)
22 No portfolio (European Affairs)
23 No portfolio
24 No portfolio
25 No portfolio

Estonia

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance (in charge of state budget)
3 Foreign Affairs
4 Ministry in Charge of National Police Force (Interior)
5 Defence
6 Social Affairs
7 Education and Research (Culture and Education before 1996)
8 Justice
9 Environment
10 Culture (since 01.01.1996)
11 Economics (and Communication since 2002)
12 Agriculture
13 Communication and Infrastructure
14 Without portfolio (Reform or Regional Affairs)
15 Without portfolio (Population Affairs)
16 Without portfolio

17 Without portfolio (Energy)
18 Without portfolio (European affairs)
19 Social Welfare (since April 2014)
20 Health & Labour (since April 2014)
21 Economics and Infrastructure (since April 2014)
22 Foreign Trade and Entrepreneurship (since April 2014)
23 Foreign Trade and Information Technology (since November 2016)
24 Rural Affairs (since April 2015)
25 Without portfolio (Public Administration) (since April 2015)

Hungary

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance Minister (in Charge of State Budget)
3 Foreign Affairs
4 Ministry in Charge of National Police Force
5 Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement
6 Prime Minister's Office
7 Ministry of Public Administration and Justice
8 Ministry of Defence
9 Ministry of Justice
10 Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development
11 Ministry of Agriculture
12 Ministry of Economic Affairs
13 Ministry of International Economic Relations
14 Ministry of Environmental Protection Affairs
15 Ministry of Transport, Communication and Water Management Affairs
16 Ministry of National Development
17 Ministry of Labour Affairs
18 Ministry of Culture and Education Affairs
19 Ministry of Education Affairs
20 Ministry of Social, Health and Youth Affairs
21 Ministry of Health Affairs
22 Ministry of Child, Youth and Sports Affairs
23 Ministry of Human Resources
24 Cabinet Office of the Prime Minister (as Ministry)
25 No portfolio (Secret Service)
26 No portfolio (Restitution and Compensation Affairs)
27 No portfolio (Science, Human Policy)
28 No portfolio (Restitution Affairs of Landed Property)
29 No portfolio (Relation between Parliament and Cabinet)

30 No portfolio (Central technical development)
31 No portfolio (Development of institutional system of finance and capital market)
32 No portfolio (EU Affairs)
33 No portfolio (Regional Development)
34 No portfolio (Equality Affairs)
35 No portfolio (Reform of State)
36 No portfolio
37 No portfolio
38 No portfolio
39 No portfolio

Latvia

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance (in Charge of State Budget)
3 Foreign
4 Interior (in Charge of National Police Force)
5 Economics
6 Defence
7 Justice
8 Agriculture
9 Education and Science
10 Culture
11 Welfare and Health Care
12 Transportation
13 Environmental Protection and Regional Development
14 Regional Development and Local Municipalities
15 Environment
16 Children/ Family Affairs and Integration
17 State Reform and Special Affairs
18 Ministry at Large for International and EU matters
19 Ministry at Large for Municipalities, Public Administration and Regional Development
20 Ministry at Large for Society Integration, Children and Family Affairs
21 Ministry at Large for Electronic Government Affairs

Lithuania

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance Minister (in Charge of State Budget)
3 Foreign Affairs
4 Ministry of the Interior
5 Justice

6 Social Security and Labour
7 Health Care
8 Culture
9 Agriculture
10 Defence
11 Economy
12 Education and Science
13 Communications and Information
14 Transport
15 Transport and Communication
16 Construction and Urban Development
17 Environment
18 Energy
19 Municipal Affairs
20 European Affairs
21 No portfolio
22 No portfolio
23 No portfolio
24 No portfolio
25 No portfolio
26 No portfolio
27 No portfolio

Poland

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance Minister (in charge of state budget)
3 Foreign Affairs,
4 Ministry in Charge of National Police Force (Internal Affairs Minister),
5 National Defence Minister
6 Culture and National Heritage Minister
7 Environment Minister
8 Labour and Social Policy Minister
9 Health Minister
10 Agriculture and Rural Development Minister
11 National Education Minister
12 Justice Minister
13 Communications Minister
14 Privatization Minister
15 Foreign Economic Cooperation Minister
16 Industry and Trade Minister

17 Physical Planning and Construction Minister
18 Transport and Maritime Economy Minister,
19 Science Minister
20 Treasury Minister
21 Economy Minister
22 Regional Development Minister
23 Sport and Tourism Minister
24 Infrastructure Minister
25 Transport Minister
26 Construction Minister
27 Maritime Economy Minister
28 Transport, Construction and Maritime Economy Minister
29 Administration and Digitization Minister
30 PM Office
31 No portfolio
32 No portfolio
33 No portfolio
34 No portfolio
35 No portfolio
36 No portfolio
37 Development
38 Energy
39 Funds and Regional Policy
40 State Assets
41 Climate

Romania

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance
3 Foreign Affairs
4 Interior (and Public Administration)
5 Justice
6 Defence
7 Industry/Economy
8 Trade and SMEs
9 Tourism
10 Transportation
11 Development, Public Works and Housing
12 Communications
13 Environment

14 Agriculture
15 Labour and Social Protection
16 Health
17 Education
18 Youth and Sport
19 Research and Technology
20 Culture
21 Reform
22 European Affairs
23 Coordination of the General Secretariat of the Government
24 Relationship with Parliament
25 Privatization
26 Public information
27 Public Function
28 Public Administration
29 (Minister of State overseeing) Culture, Schooling and European Integration
30 (Minister of State overseeing) Economic Activities
31 (Minister of State overseeing) SMEs and the Business Environment
32 Budget, Treasury and Financial Control (part of Minister of Economy and Finance)
33 (Minister delegate for) Budget
34 (Minister delegate for) National Minorities
35 (Minister delegate) at the Ministry of European Integration, Chief Negotiator with the EU
36 (Minister delegate for) the Coordination of Control Agencies
37 (Minister delegate for) the Implementation of Programs with International Funds and Monitoring of the Acquis Communautaire
38 (Minister delegate for) Relationship with Social Partners
39 (Minister delegate for) Business Environment
40 (Minister delegate for) Waters, Forests and Fisheries
41 (Minister delegate for) Energy
42 (Minister delegate for) Romanians Living Abroad
43 (Minister delegate for) Infrastructure Projects of National Interest
44 (deputy minister) at the Ministry of Finance
45 (deputy minister) at the Ministry of Defence
46 (deputy minister) at the Ministry of Industry and Trade
47 (deputy minister) at the Ministry of Education
48 (Minister delegate) for European Funds
49 Minister for the Implementation of Strategic Partnerships
50 No portfolio
51 No portfolio
52 Family, Youth and Equality of Opportunity

53 Sport

Slovakia

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance Minister (in Charge of State Budget)
3 Foreign Affairs
4 Ministry in Charge of National Police Force (Ministry of Interior)
5 Ministry of Economy
6 Social Affairs
7 Environment
8 Transport, Construction
9 Agriculture
10 Regional Development
11 Education
12 Culture
13 Health
14 Justice
15 Defence
16 Privatisation
17 Construction
18 Ministry of Control
19 Investment and informatization
20 Human Rights and National Minorities

Slovenia

1 Prime Minister
2 Finance minister (in Charge of State Budget)
3 Foreign Affairs
4 Ministry of Interior Affairs
5 Ministry of Justice
6 Ministry of Defence
7 Ministry of Labour, Family and Social Affairs
8 Ministry of Economy
9 Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Food
10 Ministry of Culture
11 Ministry of Environment and Spatial Planning
12 Ministry of Transport
13 Ministry of Education
14 Ministry of Health
15 Ministry of Public Administration

16 Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology
17 Ministry of Education, Science and Sport
18 Ministry of Information Society
19 Ministry of Economic Affairs
20 Ministry of Small Business and Tourism
21 Ministry of Science and Technology
22 Ministry of Justice and Public Administration
23 Ministry of Planning
24 Ministry of Power Supply
25 Minister of Industry and Construction
26 Ministry of Trade
27 Ministry of Tourism and Catering Industry
28 Ministry of Small Scale Business
29 Ministry of Labour
30 Ministry of Health, Family and Social Affairs
31 Ministry of War Veterans and Disabled
32 Ministry of Legislation
33 Ministry of Slovenes Abroad and Nationalities in Slovenia
34 Ministry of Information
35 No portfolio (Government Office Responsible for Growth and European Affairs)
36 No portfolio (Office Responsible for Legislation)
37 No portfolio (Office for Coordination of Bodies of Social Welfare)
38 No portfolio (Government Office Responsible for Local Self - Government and Regional Policy)
39 No portfolio (Government Office Responsible for Slovenians Abroad)
40 Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport
41 Ministry of Agriculture and Environment
42 Ministry of Infrastructure and Spatial Planning
43 No portfolio (Government Office Responsible for Development and European Cohesion Policy)
44 Ministry of Infrastructure
45 No portfolio (Government Office Responsible for Digital Transformation)