

'May contain nuts'? The reality behind the rhetoric surrounding the British Conservatives' new group in the European Parliament

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Table 1 European Conservatives and Reformists as of October 2009

| Original Name | English | Abreviation | State | MEPs | Previous EP Group |
|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| Conservative Party | (NB includes one Ulster Unionist) | Con | UK | 25 | EPP-ED |
| <i>Prawo i Sprawiedliwość</i> | Law and Justice | PiS | Poland | 15 | UEN (now EFD) |
| <i>Občanská demokratická strana</i> | Civic Democratic Party | ODS | Czech Republic | 9 | EPP-ED |
| <i>Lijst Dedecker</i> | Dedecker's List | LDD | Belgium | 1 | None |
| <i>Magyar Demokrata Fórum</i> | Hugarian Democratic Forum | MDF | Hungary | 1 | EPP-ED |
| <i>Tēvzemei un Brīvībai/LNNK</i> | For Fatherland and Freedom/ LNNK | TB/LNNK | Latvia | 1 | UEN (now EFD) |
| <i>Lietuvos Lenkų Rinkimų Akcija</i> | Electoral Action of Poles in Lithuania | LLRA | Lithuania | 1 | None |
| <i>ChristenUnie</i> | Christian Union | CU | Netherlands | 1 | ID (now EFD) |
| | | | | 54 | |
| Other EP Groups | European People's Party | EPP | | 265 | |
| | Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats | S&D | | 184 | |
| | Alliance of Liberals and Democrats | ALDE | | 84 | |
| | Greens | Greens | | 55 | |
| | Left | EUL-NGL | | 35 | |
| | Europe of Freedom and Democracy | EFD | | 32 | |
| | Non-attached | | | 27 | |
| Total MEPs | | | | 736 | |