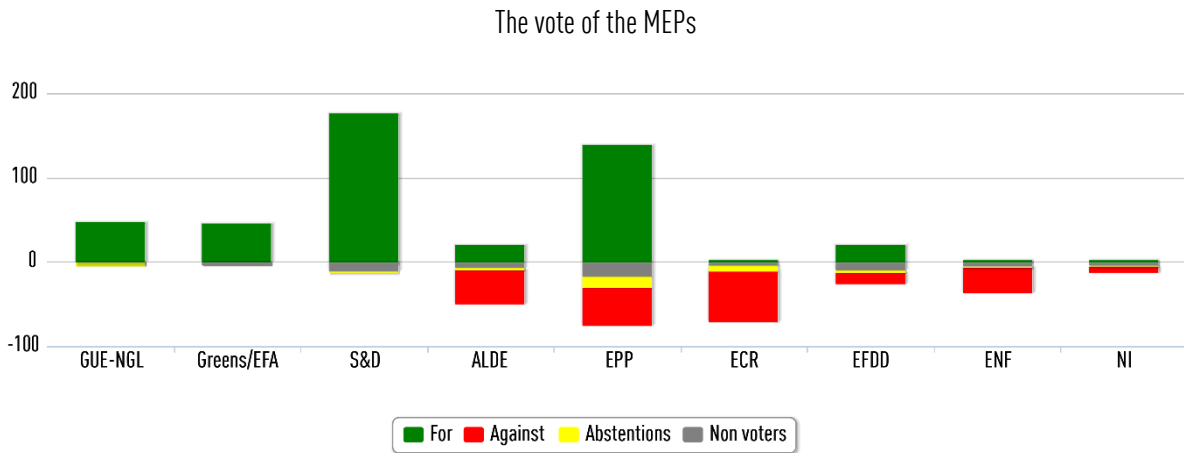


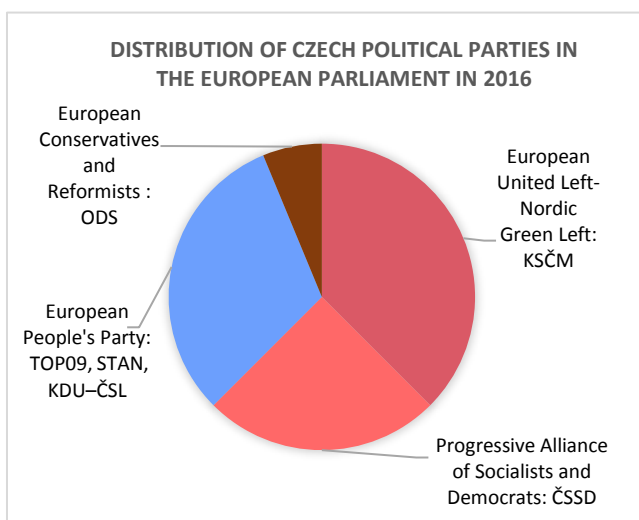
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Companies often send their employees to work in another EU country. Yet, the labour standards (e.g. minimum wage of the country) of the hosting country are often higher than the country of origin's ones. The use of "posted workers" often allow companies to undercut the competition by paying the workers less than the minimum standards in the hosting country. At the moment, some EU governments are lashing out against this practice given its harmful effects on local companies and workers alike. To prevent the so-called social dumping, the European institutions are calling for more even wage standards for the same job, even if in a different place.

In this regards, a report drafted by the Employment and Social Affairs Committee gathered a comfortable support of 66% of MEPs for more intervention on social dumping. The majority was formed by GUE-NGL, Greens/EFA, S&D, the EPP and most EFDD's members. On the other hand, ALDE, ECR and ENF opposed the initiative.

Not surprisingly, Czech MEPs rejected the calls for stepping up measures to counter social dumping. In fact, the status quo incentivize companies into using posted workers coming from countries with lower wages in countries with higher wages.



Among the political parties, only the Social Democrats and the Communists voted in favour, whereas all the other MEPs voted against the proposed reform to the use of posted workers, with the exception of Michaela Sojdrova (Christian Democratic Union-Czechoslovak People's Party) who supported the report.

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The vote of MEPs elected in Czech Republic*

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