

# Progress

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**Martin Schulz, President-elect of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats, has pledged himself to a more democratic, more social, fairer and more open Europe during the new parliamentary term.**

Mr Schulz also singled out improving the European Parliament's image and stressed the need for efforts to ensure that the EP becomes more high-profile and allows European citizens to see and understand what we do. In the face of mounting extremism, the S-D Group, he indicated, must fight to guarantee respect for minorities and for the protection of human dignity. The Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats currently has 184 members from across the European Union's 27 member countries.

## Composition of the new Bureau of the **S-D** Group



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"The recent European elections suffered from a low voter turnout. We must now improve the European Institutions' communication with the citizenship. As part of my new role in the S-D Group, I will work to improve communication and I will rely a lot on the media and on journalists to help me achieve this."



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