

### Information on voting in the Circle of Senior Experts

1. The voting takes place in a written form. Each group submits their vote via the voting sheet to the Presidency. A brief explanation why the group voted that way, may be provided on the voting sheet;
2. The Presidency has no right to vote;
3. The votes may be in the form either “yes” or “no” to the question subject of the vote. No abstention is possible;
4. The Presidency collects the written votes and after counting, they announce the outcome of the vote;
5. In order to have a successful outcome, 50% + 1 of the total weight/value of the votes (i.e. 11 out of 20) are necessary;
6. Each political group has one vote with a pre-defined weight/value depending on the number of its representatives in the European Parliament (see table);
7. Once submitted, the vote of the political group is final.

<i>Political group</i>	<i>Weight/value of votes</i>
 People's Party (Christian Democrats)	5
 Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament	4
 Renew Europe Group	3
 European Conservatives and Reformists Group	2
 Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance	3
 Identity and Democracy Group	3