

ROLE CARD: European Parliament

Conservative



WHO YOU ARE

You are members of the **European Parliament**. You represent **EU citizens** and your job is to examine the Commission's proposal and decide what changes you want before the law can be adopted. As a **conservative group**, you believe that environmental goals must be balanced with economic realities — ambitious targets are only useful if companies and member states can actually meet them.

WHAT YOU CARE ABOUT

You want a law that is **workable** and does **not** put **excessive pressure** on **businesses** or national economies. You are not against environmental action, but you believe that unrealistic rules will do more harm than good.

YOUR POSITION: AGREE ON A POSITION FOR EACH OF THE 4 POINTS

- **Waste reduction target (%)** — *How much should textile waste be reduced?* (Suggested range: 10% – 25%) → **OUR PROPOSAL:** ____
- **Deadline (year)** — *By when should the target be achieved?* (Suggested range: 2035 – 2040) → **OUR PROPOSAL:** ____
- **Reporting rules** — *How often should companies report their waste?* (Options: every 2 years/ every 3 years) → **OUR PROPOSAL:** ____
- **Penalties** — *How strict should the consequences be if companies do not comply?* (Options: **Moderate** — fines up to €100,000)
Weak — fines up to €10,000 → **OUR PROPOSAL:** ____

MAIN MESSAGE / SENTENCE TO DEFEND

A law that businesses cannot follow will not help anyone.

YOUR GOALS

- **Main goal:** make the Commission's proposal more flexible and realistic
- **Secondary goal:** protect businesses from excessive costs and burdens

YOUR PRIORITIES

- A **moderate** and **achievable** waste reduction target
- A **longer deadline** to give companies time to adapt
- **More flexibility** for member states in how they implement the law

RED LINE

You will **not accept** very **strong penalties** or **targets** that you consider **unrealistic** for businesses to meet.

POSSIBLE CONCESSION

You can accept a **moderate reduction target** if the law includes enough flexibility for member states and companies.

YOUR ROLE DURING THE SIMULATION

During the internal discussions, your group must **agree** on a **common position** on the 4 negotiation points. You will then **present** this **position publicly** before entering into negotiations with the Council. During the negotiation, one speaker will represent the group. Your goal is to soften the most demanding aspects of the proposal — but remember, you will need to find a compromise with the Council to get the law adopted.