

Institutions of the EU

European Council

Heads of member countries meet. They decide about the larger objectives of the EU

Commission

Each country sends one commissioner. Each commissioner is responsible for a topic. They make sure that laws are being followed. Proposes new laws to be made.

European Central Bank – ECB

The ECB is an independent bank for the countries using the Euro as their currency. For example it decides how many euros to print.

European Court of Auditors – ECA

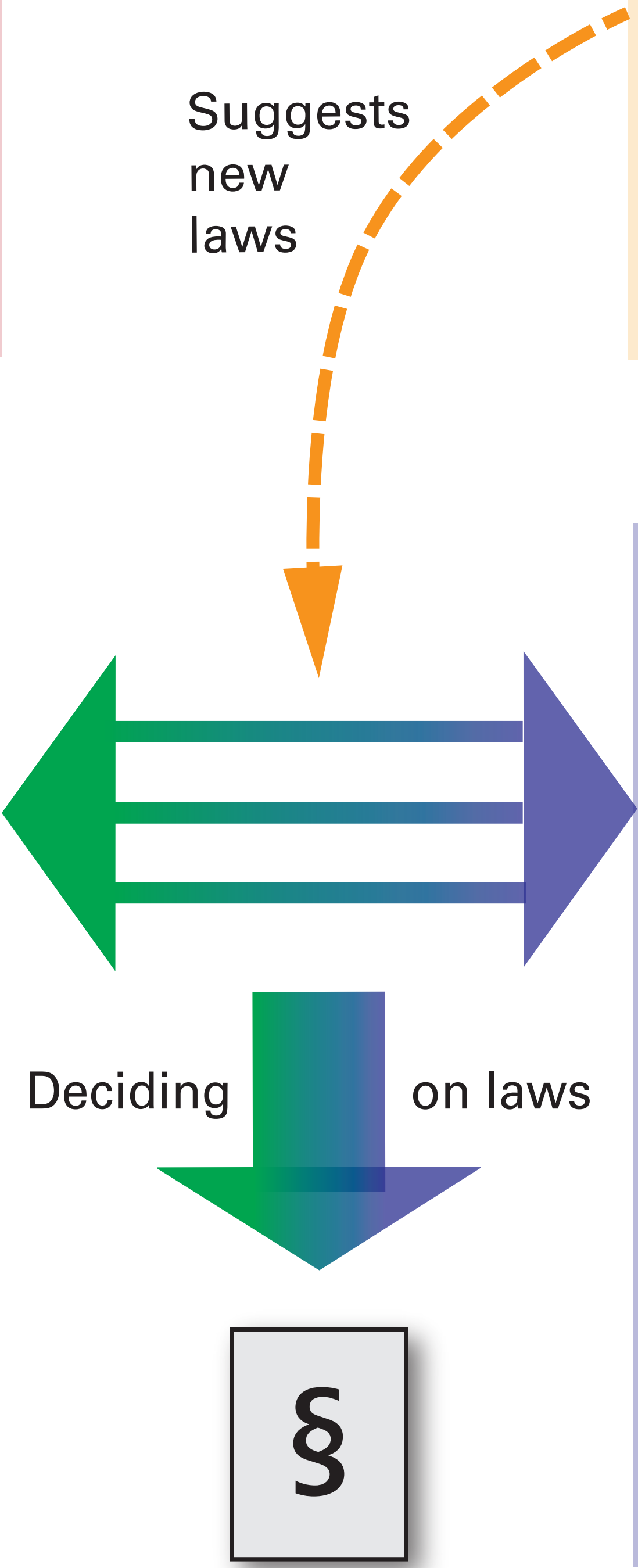
The ECA makes sure the EU’s accounting is correct. It checks revenues and spendings.

European Court of Justice – ECJ

The EJC is the court of the EU. It decides when there are legal disputes regarding EU law. National courts refer questions of EU law to the ECJ.

Council of Ministers
Council of the European Union

Ministers of member countries meet, according to their topics of responsibility. They decide on new laws, together with the European Parliament.



European Parliament

Elected representatives of the citizens. They decide on new laws, together with the Council of Ministers.

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Member states send...																											
Commissioner	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★	★
Head of state	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Minister in council session	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
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