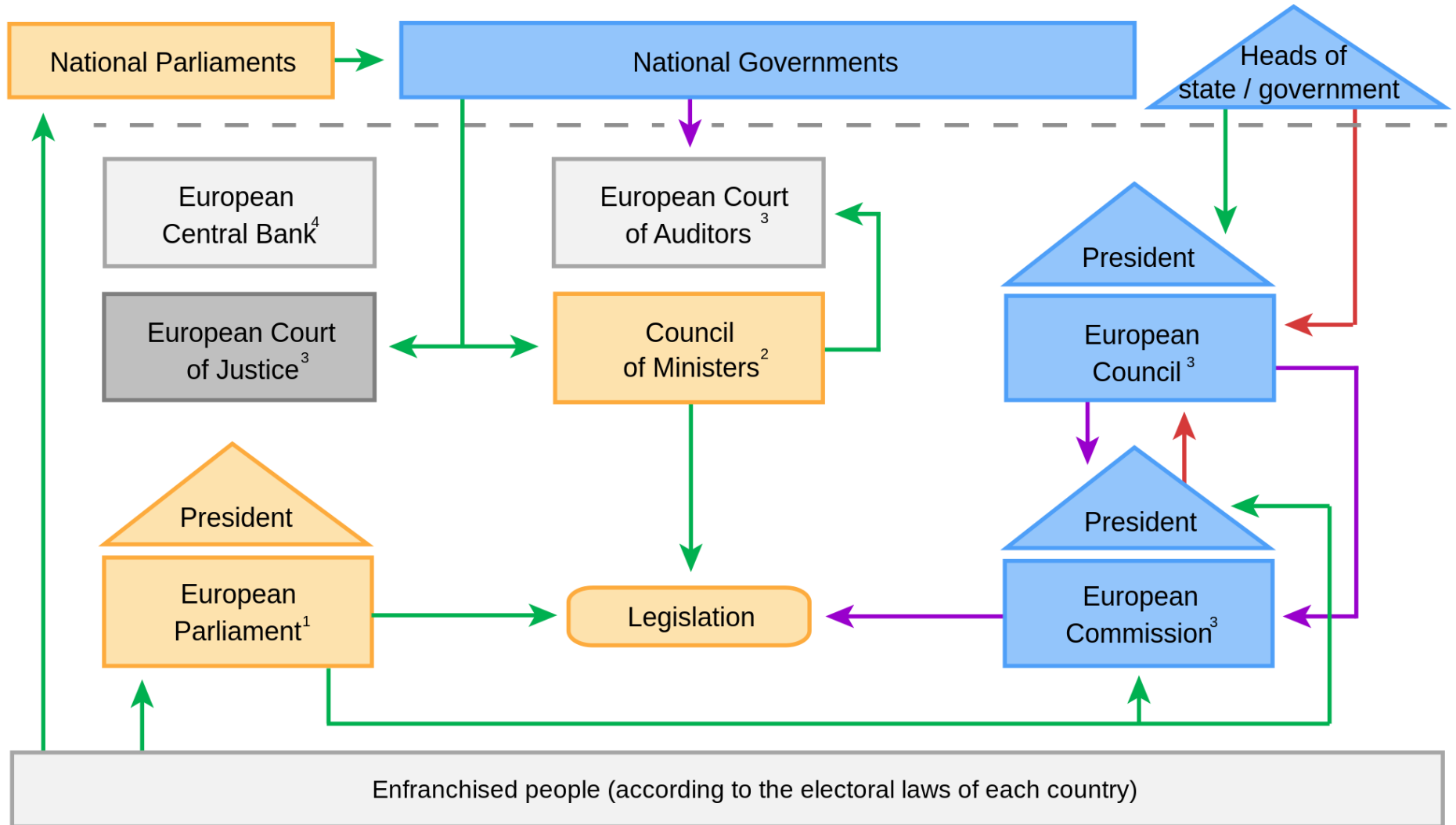


Political System of the European Union



- Legislative branch
- Executive branch
- Judicial branch
- elects / appoints / decides on
- membership
- proposes

- 1: Elections are every 5 years. The right to vote may be different depending on the country.
- 2: State chamber. Convenes in varying composition depending on the policy area. Each country is represented by one member per department
- 3: Each country is represented by one member
- 4: The European Central Bank is composed of representatives of the national central banks. Its Board is elected by the European Council on the proposal of the Council of Ministers