Record Nr. UNINA9910781084903321 Autore Ringe Nils **Titolo** Who decides, and how? [[electronic resource]]: preferences, uncertainty, and policy choice in the European Parliament / / Nils Ringe Oxford: New York,: Oxford University Press, 2010 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-282-38322-1 9786612383229 0-19-157194-6 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (250 p.) Classificazione MK 5110 Disciplina 328.4 Soggetti Political science European Union countries Politics and government Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Contents; Acknowledgments; List of Figures; List of Tables; List of Abbreviations; 1. Who Decides, and How? Preferences, Uncertainty, and Policy Choice in the European Parliament; 2. Perceived Preference Coherence in Legislative Politics; 3. Committees, Parties, and Voting in the European Parliament; 4. Focal Points as Mechanisms for Policy Choice: 5. Focal Points and Legislative Decision-Making: Six Case Studies; 6. Conclusion: Delegation, Efficiency, and Representation; Bibliography; Index Sommario/riassunto How do individual legislators in the European Parliament (EP) make decisions on the wide variety of policy proposals they routinely confront? Despite a flourishing literature on the European Union's only directly elected institution, we know surprisingly little about the microfoundations of EP politics. Who Decides, and How? seeks to address this shortcoming by examining how individual legislators make policy choices, how these choices are aggregated, and what roleparties and committees play in this process. It argues that members of the EP lack

adequate resources to make equally informed dec