

Appendix 2.

The variables and the interviews in which they were mentioned. The citation IDs correspond to the numbers mentioned in the article and in Appendix 1. Bold numbers indicate interviewees for the French case, underlined numbers are interviewees for the British case, and normal font are interviewees for the Dutch case.

Subvariable	Indicators	Citation ID
Autonomous decision-making centers		
	Multiple autonomous decision-making entities actively devise and enforce rules, norms, and strategies	1-3 , 5, 7, 8, <u>9</u> , 11, 14, 15, 17, 16
	Opinions are implemented in practice by the decision-making centers	1-3 , 5, 7, 8, <u>9</u> , <u>11</u> , 14
	The entities have a general understanding of each other's jurisdiction or domain of authority	1, 3, 4 , 8, <u>9</u> , 13, 15, 16
	The decision-making centers have shared or common goals	1, 2 , 5, 7, 8, <u>10</u> , <u>11</u> , 13, 14, 15, 16
Coherence		
Overarching system of rules	The system of rules complies with the decision-making centers' needs	1-3 , 5, 7, 8, <u>9</u> , <u>10</u> , <u>11</u> , 12, 13, 14, 15
	The decision-making centers actively coordinate with one another and exchange knowledge	1-4 , 7, 8, <u>9</u> , <u>10</u> , 13, 15, 16
Stability	Frequency of changes to, duration of decision-making process regarding, constitutional configuration	1, 3 , 6, 7, 8, 13, 15
	Contention surrounding the constitutional configuration	2, 3 , 5, 6, 7, 8, <u>9</u> , 13, 15, 16
Tightness	Resource interdependencies: is the dependence one-way or mutual?	1-4 , 5, 6, 7, 8, <u>9</u> , <u>10</u> , <u>11</u> , 13, 14, 15
	Geopolitical status island: legal status within EU and metropolis; citizenship; part of EU customs zone	1, 2 , 7, 8, <u>11</u> , 13, 14, 15, 16