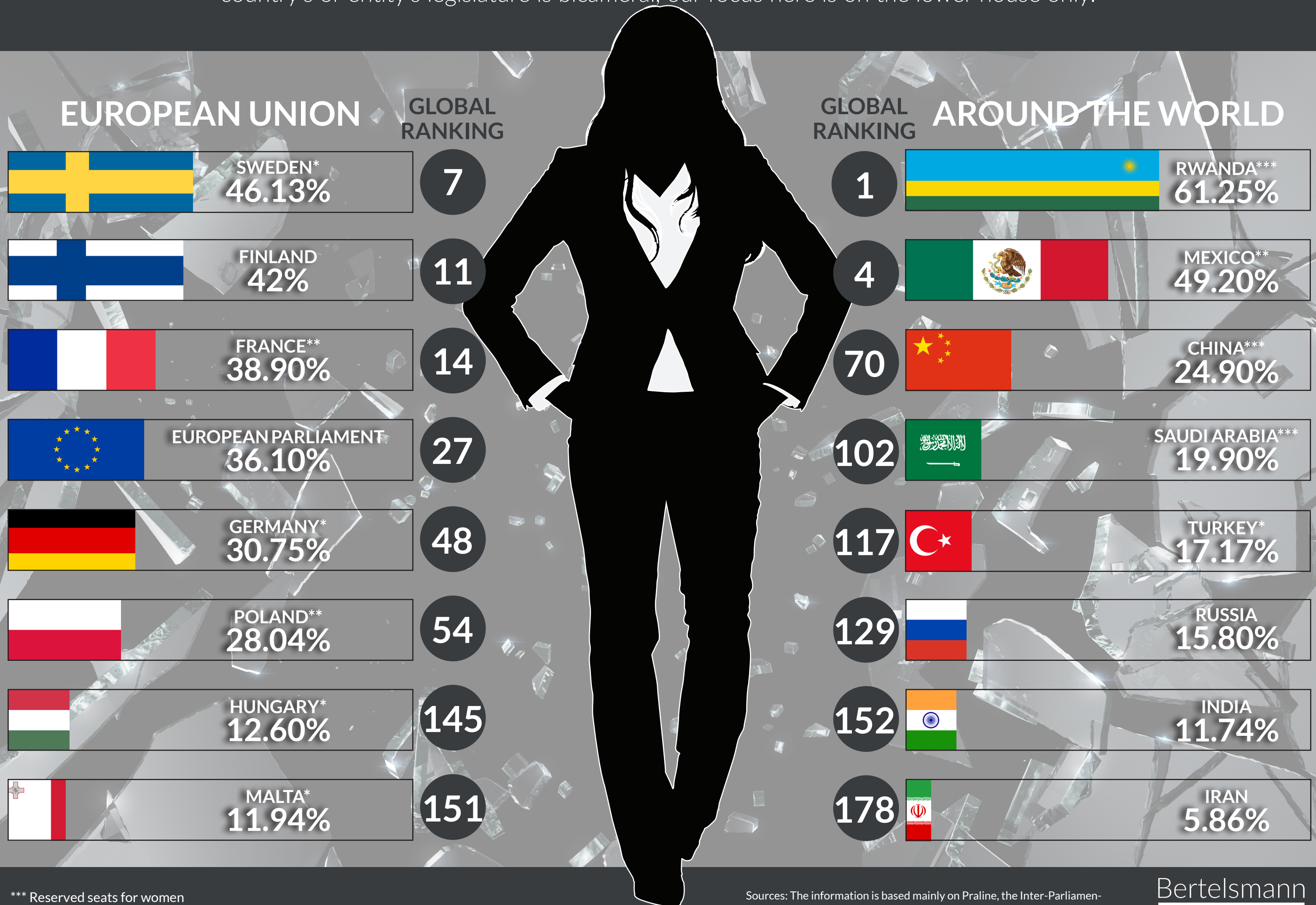


WAS 2018 REALLY THE “YEAR OF THE WOMAN”?

The 2018 U.S. midterm elections have triggered a female wave in the U.S. House of Representatives. Up from 84, now 102 women will serve as representatives in the 116th Congress, making up 23.45 percent of the members. With gender parity gradually increasing in the U.S., this infographic looks at how parliaments in other parts of the world compare. If the country's or entity's legislature is bicameral, our focus here is on the lower house only.



*** Reserved seats for women

** Legislated candidate quotas

* Voluntary gender quotas by some political parties

Sources: The information is based mainly on Praline, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)'s Open data platform, and the Gender Quotas database of International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA).

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