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**Eurobarometer 78.1 (2012)**

**Country Questionnaire  
Ireland**

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ASK ITEM 28 ONLY IN TURKEY

ASK ITEM 29 ONLY IN CROATIA

ASK ITEM 30 ONLY IN TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITY

ASK ITEM 31 ONLY IN FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA

ASK ITEM 32 ONLY IN ICELAND

ASK ITEM 33 ONLY IN MONTENEGRO

ASK ITEM 34 ONLY IN SERBIA

Q1 What is your nationality? Please tell me the country(ies) that applies(y).

(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

	(138-173)
Belgium	1,
Denmark	2,
Germany	3,
Greece	4,
Spain	5,
France	6,
Ireland	7,
Italy	8,
Luxembourg	9,
Netherlands	10,
Portugal	11,
United Kingdom (Great Britain, Northern Ireland)	12,
Austria	13,
Sweden	14,
Finland	15,
Republic of Cyprus	16,
Czech Republic	17,
Estonia	18,
Hungary	19,
Latvia	20,
Lithuania	21,
Malta	22,
Poland	23,
Slovakia	24,
Slovenia	25,
Bulgaria	26,
Romania	27,
Other countries	35,
DK	36,

EB77.4 Q1 TREND MODIFIED

IF OTHER OR DK AT Q1, CLOSE INTERVIEW

A. CORE QUESTIONNAIRE

ASK ALL

QA1 On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the life you lead?

(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

	<b>(194)</b>
Very satisfied	1
Fairly satisfied	2
Not very satisfied	3
Not at all satisfied	4
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	5

EB77.3 QA1

QA2 When you get together with friends or relatives, would you say you frequently, occasionally or never discuss...?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Frequently	Occasiona lly	Never	DK
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(195)	1	National political matters	1	2	3	4
(196)	2	European political matters	1	2	3	4
(197)	3	Local political matters	1	2	3	4

EB77.3 QA2

ASK ALL

QA3a How would you judge the current situation in each of the following?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Very good	Rather good	Rather bad	Very bad	DK (SPONTA NEOUS)
(198)	1 The situation of the Irish economy	1	2	3	4	5
(199)	2 The state of the European economy	1	2	3	4	5
(200)	3 The state of the global economy	1	2	3	4	5
(201)	4 Your personal job situation	1	2	3	4	5
(202)	5 The financial situation of your household	1	2	3	4	5
(203)	6 The employment situation in Ireland	1	2	3	4	5

EB77.3 QA4a

ASK QA3b ONLY IN CY(tcc) - OTHERS GO TO Q4Aa

ASK ALL

QA4a What are your expectations for the next twelve months: will the next twelve months be better, worse or the same, when it comes to...?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	BETTER	WORSE	SAME	DK (SPONTA NEOUS)
(210)	1 Your life in general	1	2	3	4
(211)	2 The economic situation in Ireland	1	2	3	4
(212)	3 The financial situation of your household	1	2	3	4
(213)	4 The employment situation in Ireland	1	2	3	4
(214)	5 Your personal job situation	1	2	3	4
(215)	6 The economic situation in the EU	1	2	3	4
(216)	7 The global economic situation	1	2	3	4

EB77.3 QA5a

ASK QA4b ONLY IN CY(tcc) – OTHERS GO TO QA5a

ASK ALL

QA5a What do you think are the two most important issues facing Ireland at the moment?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)

	(224-239)
Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices/inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
Housing	7,
Government debt	8,
Immigration	9,
Health and social security	10,
The education system	11,
Pensions	12,
The environment, climate and energy issues	13,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	14,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	16,

EB77.3 QA7a

QA6a	And personally, what are the two most important issues that you are facing at the moment?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)

	(240-255)
Crime	1,
The economic situation in Ireland	2,
Rising prices/inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
Housing	7,
The financial situation of your household	8,
Immigration	9,
Health and social security	10,
The education system	11,
The environment, climate and energy issues	12,
Pensions	13,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	14,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	16,

EB77.3 QA8a

ASK QA5b AND QA6b ONLY IN CY(tcc) – OTHERS GO TO QA7

ASK ALL

QA7 What do you think are the two most important issues facing the EU at the moment?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)

	<b>(289-304)</b>
Crime	1,
Economic situation	2,
Rising prices\ inflation	3,
Taxation	4,
Unemployment	5,
Terrorism	6,
EU's influence in the world	7,
The state of Member states public finances	8,
Immigration	9,
Pensions	10,
The environment	11,
Energy supply	12,
Climate change	13,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	14,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
DK	16,

EB77.3 QA9



DO NOT ASK QA8a AND QA9a IN EU27 AND IN CY(tcc) – CY(tcc) GO TO QA8b – EU27  
GO TO QA10a

ASK QA8b AND QA9b ONLY IN CY(tcc) – OTHERS GO TO QA10a

DO NOT ASK QA10a IN CY(tcc) – CY(tcc) GO TO QA10b

QA10a At the present time, would you say that, in general, things are going in the right direction or in the wrong direction, in...?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Things are going in the right direction	Things are going in the wrong direction	Neither the one nor the other (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(309)

1	Ireland	1	2	3	4	
(310)	2	The European Union	1	2	3	4

EB77.3 QA12a TREND MODIFIED

ASK QA10b ONLY IN CY(tcc) – OTHERS GO TO QA11

ASK ALL

QA11 I would like to ask you a question about how much trust you have in certain institutions. For each of the following institutions, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it.

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Tend to trust	Tend not to trust	DK
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(313)	1	The press	1	2	3
(314)	2	Radio	1	2	3
(315)	3	Television	1	2	3
(316)	4	The Internet	1	2	3
(317)	5	Political parties	1	2	3
(318)	6	The Irish government	1	2	3
(319)	7	The Dail	1	2	3
(320)	8	The European Union	1	2	3
(321)	9	The United Nations	1	2	3
(322)	10	Regional or local public authorities	1	2	3

EB77.3 QA13 (items 5-10) + EB76.3 QA10 (items 1-4)

QA12 In general, does the EU conjure up for you a very positive, fairly positive, neutral, fairly negative or very negative image?

ONE ANSWER ONLY

	(323)
Very positive	1
Fairly positive	2
Neutral	3
Fairly negative	4
Very negative	5
DK	6

EB77.3 QA14

QA13 What does the EU mean to you personally?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM/ BOTTOM TO TOP - MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(324-339)

Peace	1,
Economic prosperity	2,
Democracy	3,
Social protection	4,
Freedom to travel, study and work anywhere in the EU	5,
Cultural diversity	6,
Stronger say in the world	7,
Euro	8,
Unemployment	9,
Bureaucracy	10,
Waste of money	11,
Loss of our cultural identity	12,
More crime	13,
Not enough control at external borders	14,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	16,

EB77.3 QA15

ASK QA14 ONLY IN EU27 - OTHERS GO TO QA15

QA14 Please tell me for each of the following words if it describes very well, fairly well, fairly badly or very badly the idea you might have of the European Union.

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Describes very well	Describes fairly well	Describes fairly badly	Describes very badly	DK
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(340)	1	Modern	1	2	3	4	5
(341)	2	Democratic	1	2	3	4	5
(342)	3	Protective	1	2	3	4	5
(343)	4	Efficient (N)	1	2	3	4	5
(344)	5	Technocratic	1	2	3	4	5

EB74.2 QA15 TREND MODIFIED

ASK ALL

QA15 Have you heard of...?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	YES	NO	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(345)	1	The European Parliament	1	2	3
(346)	2	The European Commission	1	2	3
(347)	3	The Council of the European Union	1	2	3
(348)	4	The European Central Bank	1	2	3
(349)	5	The Court of Justice of the European Union	1	2	3

EB77.3 QA16

QA16 For each of the following European bodies, please tell me if you tend to trust it or tend not to trust it.

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	TEND TO TRUST	TEND NOT TO TRUST	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(350)	1	The European Parliament	1	2	3
(351)	2	The European Commission	1	2	3
(352)	3	The Council of the European Union	1	2	3
(353)	4	The European Central Bank	1	2	3
(354)	5	The Court of Justice of the European Union	1	2	3

EB77.3 QA17

QA17	For each of the following statements about the EU could you please tell me whether you think it is true or false.
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(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	True	False	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(355)	1	The EU currently consists of 27 Member States	1	2	3
	2	The members of the European Parliament are directly elected by the citizens of each Member State	1	2	3
(356)	3	Switzerland is a member of the EU	1	2	3
(357)					

EB77.3 QA18

QA18	What is your opinion on each of the following statements? Please tell me for each statement, whether you are for it or against it.
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(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT – ROTATE)	FOR	AGAINST	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(358)	1	A European economic and monetary union with one single currency, the euro	1	2	3
	2	A common foreign policy of the 27 Member States of the EU	1	2	3
(359)	3	Further enlargement of the EU to include other countries in future years	1	2	3
(360)					
(361)	4	A common defence and security policy among EU Member States	1	2	3
(362)	5	European political parties to present their candidate for the post of European Commission President at the next European Parliament elections (N)	1	2	3

EB77.3 QA19 TREND MODIFIED

ASK QA19a AND QA19b ONLY IN EU27 – CY(tcc) GO TO QA20b – OTHERS GO TO QA20a

QA19a On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Ireland?

QA19b And how about the way democracy works in the EU?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN)

	<b>(363)</b>	<b>(364)</b>
(READ OUT)	QA19a In Ireland	QA19b In the European Union
Very satisfied	1	1
Fairly satisfied	2	2
Not very satisfied	3	3
Not at all satisfied	4	4
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	5	5

EB77.3 QA20a&b

DO NOT ASK QA20a IN CY(tcc) – CY(tcc) GO TO QA20b

QA20a Please tell me to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
(365)	1 I understand how the EU works	1	2	3	4	5
(366)	2 The interests of Ireland are well taken into account in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(367)	3 I feel I am safer because Ireland is a member of the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(368)	4 My voice counts in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(369)	5 My voice counts in Ireland	1	2	3	4	5
(370)	6 The EU's voice counts in the world	1	2	3	4	5
(371)	7 Globalisation is an opportunity for economic growth	1	2	3	4	5
(372)	8 Ireland alone can cope with the negative effects of globalisation (N)	1	2	3	4	5
(373)	9 (ONLY TO SPLIT A) The EU helps to protect European citizens from the negative effects of globalisation	1	2	3	4	5
(374)	10 (ONLY TO SPLIT B) The EU enables European citizens to better benefit from the positive effects of globalisation	1	2	3	4	5
(375)	11 Ireland could better face the future outside the EU (N)	1	2	3	4	5
(376)	12 The EU should develop further into a federation of Nation-States (N)	1	2	3	4	5

EB77.3 QA21a TREND MODIFIED

ASK QA20b ONLY IN CY(tcc) – OTHERS GO TO QA21a

ASK ALL

QA21 In your opinion, at present, what is the main objective of the building of Europe?

(SHOW CARD. READ OUT. ROTATE. SINGLE CODE ONLY).

	(383-384)
To develop the EU's economy and boost growth	1
To make the EU a major diplomatic actor on the international stage	2
To improve the standard of living of all EU citizens	3
To combat global threats (terrorism, climate change)	4
To promote the development of the poorest countries outside the EU	5
To promote democracy and human rights in the world	6
Maintain peace and stability	7
To protect European citizens against the negative effects of globalisation (relocation of industries and jobs, competition from emerging countries for European businesses)	8
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9
DK	10

EB77.3 QA25a

QA22 And what should be the main objective of the building of Europe?

(SHOW CARD. READ OUT. ROTATE. SINGLE CODE ONLY).

	(385-386)
To develop the EU's economy and boost growth	1
To make the EU a major diplomatic actor on the international stage	2
To improve the standard of living of all EU citizens	3
To combat global threats (terrorism, climate change)	4
To promote the development of the poorest countries outside the EU	5
To promote democracy and human rights in the world	6
Maintain peace and stability	7
To protect European citizens against the negative effects of globalisation (relocation of industries and jobs, competition from emerging countries for European businesses)	8
Other answers (SPONTANEOUS)	9
DK	10

EB77.3 QA25b



QA23	Would you say that you are very optimistic, fairly optimistic, fairly pessimistic or very pessimistic about the future of the EU?
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(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

	<b>(387)</b>
Very optimistic	1
Fairly optimistic	2
Fairly pessimistic	3
Very pessimistic	4
DK	5

EB77.3 QA26



ASK ALL

To exit the financial and economic crisis and face the world's new challenges the EU has defined a strategy called Europe 2020. Europe 2020 puts forward different priorities and objectives. Let's now discuss them.

QB1 For each of the following initiatives, please tell me how important or not you think they are in order for the EU to exit the present financial and economic crisis and prepare for the next decade. Please use a scale from 1 to 10, where '1' means that you think this initiative is "not at all important" and '10' means that it is "very important".

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	1 Not at all impo rtant	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Very impo rtant	DK
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(408-409)	1	To increase the support for research and development policies and turn inventions into products	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(410-411)	2	To enhance the quality and appeal of the EU's higher education system	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(412-413)	3	To develop the e-economy by strengthening ultra fast Internet within the EU	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(414-415)	4	To support an economy that uses less natural resources and emits less greenhouse gas	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(416-417)	5	to help the EU's industrial base to be more competitive by promoting entrepreneurship and developing new skills	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

(418-419)	6	To Modernise labour markets, with a view to raising employment levels	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
(420-421)	7	To help the poor and socially excluded and enable them to play an active part in society	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

EB77.3 QB1

QB2	Thinking about each of the following objectives to be reached by 2020 in the EU, would you say that it is too ambitious, about right or too modest?
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(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Too ambitious	About right	Too modest	DK
(422)	1 Three quarters of men and women aged between 20 and 64 years should have a job	1	2	3	4
(423)	2 The share of funds invested in research and development should reach 3% of the wealth produced in the EU each year	1	2	3	4
(424)	3 To reduce EU greenhouse gas emissions by at least 20% by 2020 compared to 1990	1	2	3	4
(425)	4 To increase the share of renewable energy in the EU by 20% by 2020	1	2	3	4
(426)	5 To increase the energy efficiency in the EU by 20% by 2020	1	2	3	4
(427)	6 The number of young people leaving school with no qualifications should fall to 10%	1	2	3	4
(428)	7 At least 40% of the people aged 30 to 34 years should have a higher education degree or diploma	1	2	3	4
(429)	8 The number of Europeans living below the poverty line should be reduced by a quarter by 2020	1	2	3	4

EB77.3 QB2

QB3	Having heard about the priorities of the EU, do you think that the EU is going in the right direction or in the wrong direction to exit the crisis and face the world's new challenges?
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(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(430)

In the right direction	1
In the wrong direction	2
Neither one or the other (SPONTANEOUS)	3
DK	4

EB77.3 QB3

C. THE EUROPEANS AND THE CRISIS

ASK ALL

QC1 Some analysts say that the impact of the economic crisis on the job market has already reached its peak and things will recover little by little; others, on the contrary, say that the worst is still to come. Which of the two statements is closer to your opinion?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(451)

The impact of the crisis on jobs has already reached its peak	1
The worst is still to come	2
DK	3

EB77.3 QC1

QC2 Which of the following statements best reflects your household situation?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(452)

Your current situation does not allow you to make any plan for the future. You live day by day	1
You know what you will be doing in the next six months	2
You have a long-term perspective of what your household will be doing in the next 1 or 2 years	3
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	4
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	5

EB77.3 QC2

DO NOT ASK QC3a IN CY(tcc) - CY(tcc) GO TO QC3b

QC3a In your opinion, which of the following is best able to take effective actions against the effects of the financial and economic crisis?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(453)

The Irish Government	1
The European Union	2
The United States	3
The G20	4
The International Monetary Fund (IMF)	5
Others (SPONTANEOUS)	6
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	8

EB77.3 QC3a

ASK QC3b ONLY IN CY(tcc) - OTHERS GO TO QC4

ASK QC4 to QC7 ONLY IN EU27 -OTHERS GO to QD4a

QC4 For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you totally agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree or totally disagree.

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
(455)	1 Ireland needs reforms to face the future	1	2	3	4	5
(456)	2 EU Member States should work together more in tackling the financial and economic crisis	1	2	3	4	5
(457)	3 (ONLY TO SPLIT A) Measures to reduce the public deficit and debt in Ireland cannot be delayed	1	2	3	4	5
(458)	4 (ONLY TO SPLIT B) Measures to reduce the public deficit and debt in Ireland are not a priority for now	1	2	3	4	5
(459)	5 The EU has sufficient power and tools to defend the economic interests of Europe in the global economy	1	2	3	4	5
(460)	6 As a consequence of the crisis, you think the EU will be stronger in the long run	1	2	3	4	5
(461)	7 As a consequence of the crisis, you feel closer to the citizens in other European countries	1	2	3	4	5
(462)	8 As a consequence of the crisis, EU countries will have to work more closely together	1	2	3	4	5

EB77.3 QC4a TREND MODIFIED

QC5	Which three initiatives could most improve the performance of the European economy?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)

(463-475)

Increase the number of working hours	1,
Improve education and professional training	2,
Invest in research and innovation	3,
Make it easier for companies to access credit	4,
Make it easier to set up a business	5,
Use energy more efficiently	6,
Invest in transport (motorways, railways, etc.)	7,
Invest in environmentally friendly products and services	8,
Increase the retirement age	9,
Reduce public deficits and debt	10,
Strengthen regulation of financial markets	11,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	12,
DK	13,

EB77.3 QC5

QC6	A range of measures to tackle the current financial and economic crisis is being discussed in the European institutions. For each, could you tell me whether you think it would be effective or not?
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(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Very effective	Fairly effective	Not very effective	Not at all effective	DK (SPONTANEOUS)
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(476)	1	A more important role for the EU in regulating financial services	1	2	3	4	5
(477)	2	A stronger coordination of economic policy among all the EU Member States	1	2	3	4	5
(478)	3	A stronger coordination of economic and financial policies among the countries of the euro area	1	2	3	4	5

EB77.3 QC6



QC7	Thinking about reform global financial markets, please tell me whether you are in favour or opposed to the following measures to be taken by the EU.
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(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Strongly in favour	Fairly in favour	Fairly opposed	Strongly opposed	DK
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(479)	1	Tougher rules on tax avoidance and tax havens	1	2	3	4	5
(480)	2	The introduction of a tax on profits made by banks	1	2	3	4	5
(481)	3	The introduction of a tax on financial transactions	1	2	3	4	5
(482)	4	The introduction of Eurobonds (European bonds) (INT IF NEEDED PRECISE "COMMON EUROPEAN BORROWINGS") (M)	1	2	3	4	5
(483)	5	Tighter rules for credit rating agencies	1	2	3	4	5

EB77.3 QC7

D. CITIZENSHIP

ASK QD1 TO QD3 ONLY IN EU27 – OTHERS GO TO QD4a

QD1 Regarding the "European Union", please tell me what you expect from it.

(OPEN QUESTION – WRITE DOWN – DO NOT PROMPT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

20 2 (504,505-544)

EB77.3 QD1

QD2 For each of the following statements, please tell me to what extent it corresponds or not to your own opinion.

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Yes, definitely	Yes, to some extent	No, not really	No, definitely not	DK
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(545)	1	You feel you are a citizen of the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(546)	2	You know what your rights are as a citizen of the EU	1	2	3	4	5
(547)	3	You would like to know more about your rights as a citizen of the EU	1	2	3	4	5

EB77.3 QD3

ASK QD3a&b IF "WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT RIGHTS AS A CITIZEN OF THE EU", CODE 1 OR 2 IN QD2.3 – OTHERS GO TO QD4a

QD3a About which rights as a citizen of the EU would you like to know more? Firstly?

QD3b And then?

(SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN)

(READ OUT – ROTATE)	(548-549)	(550-551)
	QD3a FIRSTLY	QD3b AND THEN
Voting in elections in another EU country	1	1
Living in another EU country	2	2
Working in another EU country	3	3
Studying in another EU country	4	4
Receiving medical assistance in another EU country	5	5
Buying goods in another EU country	6	6
Buying services in another EU country	7	7
Benefitting from a consular protection by any EU country when you are outside the EU and your own country is not represented there (N)	8	8
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9	9
None (SPONTANEOUS)	10	10
DK	11	11

EB77.3 QD4a&b

ASK ALL

QD4a Which of the following do you think is the most positive result of the EU? Firstly?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

	(552-553)
Peace among the Member States of the EU	1
The free movement of people, goods and services within the EU	2
The euro	3
Student exchange programmes such as ERASMUS	4
The common agricultural policy	5
The economic power of the EU	6
The political and diplomatic influence of the EU in the rest of the world	7
The level of social welfare (healthcare, education, pensions) in the EU	8
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9
None (SPONTANEOUS)	10
DK	11

EB77.3 QD8a

QD4b And then?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(554-564)

Peace among the Member States of the EU	1,
The free movement of people, goods and services within the EU	2,
The euro	3,
Student exchange programmes such as ERASMUS	4,
The common agricultural policy	5,
The economic power of the EU	6,
The political and diplomatic influence of the EU in the rest of the world	7,
The level of social welfare (healthcare, education, pensions) in the EU	8,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
DK	11,

EB77.3 QD8b

ASK QD5 TO QD8 ONLY IN EU27 - OTHERS GO TO QE1

QD5 In the last 12 months have you...?

(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT)	Yes, on several occasions	Yes, once or twice	No	DK
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(565)	1	Visited another EU country	1	2	3	4
	2	Read a book, newspaper or magazine in a language other than your mother tongue	1	2	3	4
(566)						
(567)	3	Socialised with people from another EU country	1	2	3	4
(568)	4	Watched TV programs in a language other than your mother tongue	1	2	3	4
(569)	5	Used Internet in order to purchase a product or a service from another EU country	1	2	3	4

EB77.3 QD12

QD6	For each of the following achievements of the EU, could you tell me whether you have benefited from it or not.
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(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT- ROTATE)	Has benefited	Has not benefited	DK
(570)	1 No\ less border controls when travelling abroad	1	2	3
(571)	2 Improved consumers rights when buying products or services in another EU country	1	2	3
(572)	3 Less expensive communication costs when using a mobile phone in another EU country	1	2	3
(573)	4 Receiving medical assistance in another EU country	1	2	3
(574)	5 Strengthened rights of air transport passengers in the EU	1	2	3
(575)	6 Working in another EU country	1	2	3
(576)	7 Living in another EU country	1	2	3
(577)	8 Studying in another EU country	1	2	3
(578)	9 Less expensive flights and a wider choice of airlines (N)	1	2	3

EB77.3 QD13 TREND MODIFIED

The Lisbon Treaty came into force in December 2009. It has introduced the "European Citizens' Initiative". The initiative enables one million European Union citizens to call on the European Commission to bring forward an initiative of interest to them in an area of EU competence.

QD7	How likely or not do you think you would be to make use of this European Citizens' initiative?
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(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Very likely	(579) 1
Fairly likely	2
Not very likely	3
Not at all likely	4
DK	5

EB77.3 QD16

QD8	If you were to exercise your right to use the European Citizens' Initiative, in which of the following areas would you be most likely to do so?
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(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ROTATE - MAX. 5 ANSWERS)

	<b>(580-598)</b>
Employment	1,
The environment	2,
Pensions	3,
Education	4,
Sport	5,
EU enlargement	6,
Taxation	7,
The mobility of EU citizens	8,
Common foreign and security policy	9,
Agriculture	10,
Immigration	11,
Energy	12,
Crime	13,
Terrorism	14,
Consumer protection	15,
Problems with your national government	16,
The fundamental rights of EU citizens	17,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	18,
DK	19,

EB77.3 QD17

E. INFORMATION ON EUROPEAN POLITICAL MATTERS

ASK ALL

QE1 Overall, to what extent do you think that in Ireland people are well informed or not about European matters?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

	<b>(619)</b>
Very well informed	1
Fairly well informed	2
Not very well informed	3
Not at all informed	4
DK	5

EB76.3 QD1

QE2 And overall, to what extent do you think that you are well informed or not about European matters?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

	<b>(620)</b>
Very well informed	1
Fairly well informed	2
Not very well informed	3
Not at all informed	4
DK	5

EB76.3 QD2

QE3 Could you tell me to what extent you...?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

(READ OUT)	Everyday \ Almost everyday	Two or three times a week	About once a week	Two or three times a month	Less often	Never	No access to this medium (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
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(621)	1	Watch television	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(622)	2	Watch television via the Internet	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(623)	3	Listen to the radio	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(624)	4	Read the written press	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(625)	5	Use the Internet	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
(626)	6	Use online social networks	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

EB76.3 QD3

QE4a Where do you get most of your news on national political matters? Firstly?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Television	(627) 1
The press	2
Radio	3
The Internet	4
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	5
You do not look for news on national political matters (SPONTANEOUS)	6
DK	7

EB76.3 QD4a



QE4b And then?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(628-634)

Television	1,
The press	2,
Radio	3,
The Internet	4,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	5,
You do not look for news on national political matters (SPONTANEOUS)	6,
DK	7,

EB76.3 QD4b

QE5a Where do you get most of your news on European political matters? Firstly?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(635)

Television	1
The press	2
Radio	3
Internet	4
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	5
You do not look for news on European political matters (SPONTANEOUS)	6
DK	7

EB76.3 QD5a

QE5b And then?

(SHOW CARD - READ OUT - MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(636-642)

Television	1,
The press	2,
Radio	3,
Internet	4,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	5,
You do not look for news on European political matters (SPONTANEOUS)	6,
DK	7,

EB76.3 QD5b

ASK QE6 IF "GET INFORMATION ON NATIONAL POLITICAL MATTERS ON THE INTERNET", CODE 4 IN QE4a OR QE4b – OTHERS GO TO QE7

QE6 On the Internet, which of the following websites do you use to get news on national political matters?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(643-650)

Institutional and official websites (governmental websites, etc.)	1,
Information websites (websites from newspapers, news magazines, etc.)	2,
Online social networks	3,
Blogs	4,
Video hosting websites	5,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	6,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7,
DK	8,

EB76.3 QD6

ASK QE7 IF "GET INFORMATION ON EUROPEAN POLITICAL MATTERS ON THE INTERNET", CODE 4 IN QE5a OR QE5b – OTHERS GO TO QE8

QE7 On the Internet, which of the following websites do you use to get news on European political matters?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(651-658)

Institutional and official websites (governmental websites, etc.)	1,
Information websites (websites from newspapers, news magazines, etc.)	2,
Online social networks	3,
Blogs	4,
Video hosting websites	5,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	6,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	7,
DK	8,

EB76.3 QD7

ASK QE8 IF "USE THE INTERNET", CODE 1 TO 5 IN QE3.2 OR QE3.5 – OTHERS GO TO QE9

QE8 Which of these two statements on the Internet is closer to your opinion?

(READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(659)

You trust institutional and official websites more than other websites	1
You trust institutional and official websites less than other websites	2
You make no difference between institutional and official websites and other websites (SPONTANEOUS)	3
You don't trust what's on the Internet (SPONTANEOUS)	4
DK	5

EB76.3 QD8

ASK ALL

QE9 When you are looking for information about the European Union, its policies, its institutions, which of the following sources do you use?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(660-671)

Attending conferences, talks, meetings	1,
Discussions with relatives, friends, colleagues	2,
Daily newspapers	3,
Other newspapers, magazines	4,
Television	5,
Radio	6,
The Internet	7,
Books, brochures, information leaflets	8,
Telephone (Info lines, Europe Direct, etc.)	9,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
Never look for such information, not interested (SPONTANEOUS)	11,
DK	12,

EB76.3 QD9

QE10	Generally speaking, do you think that Irish... talks too much, about the right amount or too little about the European Union?
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ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Too much	Enough	Too little	DK
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(672)	1	Television	1	2	3	4
(673)	2	Radio	1	2	3	4
(674)	3	Press	1	2	3	4
(675)	4	Websites	1	2	3	4

EB74.2 QD6

QE11	Do you think that the Irish ... presents the European Union too positively, or is objective in its presentation or too negatively?
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ONE ANSWER PER LINE

	READ OUT	Too positively	Objectively	Too negatively	DK
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(676)	1	Television	1	2	3	4
(677)	2	Radio	1	2	3	4
(678)	3	Press	1	2	3	4
(679)	4	Websites	1	2	3	4

EB76.3 QD11

QE12	On which of the following websites would you find it useful to find information on the EU?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

Institutional and official websites (governmental websites, etc.)	(680-687)	1,
Information websites (websites from newspapers, news magazines, etc.)		2,
Online social networks		3,
Blogs		4,
Video hosting websites		5,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)		6,
None (SPONTANEOUS)		7,
DK		8,

EB76.3 QD12

QE13	Regardless of whether you participate in online social networks or not (social networking websites, blogs, video hosting websites), please tell me whether you totally agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree or totally disagree with each of the following statements.
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(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

	(READ OUT - ROTATE)	Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK
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(688)	1	Online social networks are a modern way to keep abreast of political affairs	1	2	3	4	5
(689)	2	Information on political affairs from online social networks cannot be trusted	1	2	3	4	5
(690)	3	Online social networks can get people interested in political affairs	1	2	3	4	5
(691)	4	Online social networks are a good way to have your say on political issues	1	2	3	4	5

EB76.3 QD13

ASK ALL

NO QUESTIONS D2 TO D6

D7 Could you give me the letter which corresponds best to your own current situation?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(787-788)

<b>MARRIED OR REMARRIED</b>	
Living without children	1
Living with the children of this marriage	2
Living with the children of a previous marriage	3
Living with the children of this marriage and of a previous marriage	4
<b>NOT MARRIED, LIVING WITH A PARTNER</b>	
Living without children	5
Living with the children of this union	6
Living with the children of a previous union	7
Living with the children of this relation and of a previous union	8
<b>NOT MARRIED, LIVING WITHOUT A PARTNER</b>	
Living without children	9
Living with children	10
<b>DIVORCED OR SEPARATED</b>	
Living without children	11
Living with children	12
<b>WIDOW</b>	
Living without children	13
Living with children	14
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	16

EB77.4 D7

D8 How old were you when you stopped full-time education?

(INT.: IF "STILL STUDYING", CODE '00' – IF "NO EDUCATION" CODE '01' – IF "REFUSAL" CODE '98' – IF "DK" CODE '99')

(789-790)

EB77.4 D8

NO QUESTION D9

D10 Record Gender.

(791)

Male	1
Female	2

EB77.4 D10

D11	How old are you?
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**(792-793)**

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EB77.4 D11
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NO QUESTIONS D12 TO D14

ASK D15b IF "NOT DOING ANY PAID WORK CURRENTLY", CODES 1 TO 4 IN D15a

D15a What is your current occupation?

D15b Did you do any paid work in the past? What was your last occupation?

	(794-795)	(796-797)
	D15a	D15b
	CURRENT OCCUPATION	LAST OCCUPATION
<b>NON-ACTIVE</b>		
Responsible for ordinary shopping and looking after the home, or without any current occupation, not working	1	
Student	2	
Unemployed or temporarily not working	3	
Retired or unable to work through illness	4	
<b>SELF EMPLOYED</b>		
Farmer	5	5
Fisherman	6	6
Professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect, etc.)	7	7
Owner of a shop, craftsmen, other self-employed person	8	8
Business proprietors, owner (full or partner) of a company	9	9
<b>EMPLOYED</b>		
Employed professional (employed doctor, lawyer, accountant, architect)	10	10
General management, director or top management (managing directors, director general, other director)	11	11
Middle management, other management (department head, junior manager, teacher, technician)	12	12
Employed position, working mainly at a desk	13	13
Employed position, not at a desk but travelling (salesmen, driver, etc.)	14	14
Employed position, not at a desk, but in a service job (hospital, restaurant, police, fireman, etc.)	15	15
Supervisor	16	16
Skilled manual worker	17	17
Other (unskilled) manual worker, servant	18	18
NEVER DID ANY PAID WORK		19

EB77.4 D15a D15b



NO QUESTIONS D16 TO D24

D25 Would you say you live in a...?

(READ OUT)

(798)

Rural area or village	1
Small or middle sized town	2
Large town	3
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	4

EB77.4 D25

NO QUESTIONS D26 TO D39

D40a Could you tell me how many people aged 15 years or more live in your household, yourself included?

(INT.: READ OUT – WRITE DOWN)

(799-800)

EB77.4 D40a

D40b Could you tell me how many children less than 10 years old live in your household

(INT.: READ OUT – WRITE DOWN)

(801-802)

EB77.4 D40b

D40c Could you tell me how many children aged 10 to 14 years old live in your household?

(INT.: READ OUT – WRITE DOWN)

(803-804)

EB77.4 D40c

NO QUESTIONS D41 TO D42

D43a Do you own a fixed telephone in your household?

D43b Do you personally own a mobile telephone?

(805)

(806)

	D43a	D43b
	Fixed	Mobile
Yes	1	1
No	2	2

EB77.4 D43a D43b

NO QUESTIONS D44 AND D45

D46 Which of the following goods do you have?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

(807-816)

Television	1,
DVD player	2,
Music CD player	3,
Computer	4,
An Internet connection at home	5,
A car	6,
An apartment / a house which you have finished paying for	7,
An apartment / a house which you are paying for	8,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
DK (SPONTANEOUS)	10,

EB77.4 D46

NO QUESTIONS D47 TO D59

D60 During the last twelve months, would you say you had difficulties to pay your bills at the end of the month...?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(817)

Most of the time	1
Occasionally	2
Almost never\ never	3
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	4

EB77.4 D60

D61 On the following scale, step '1' corresponds to "the lowest level in the society"; step '10' corresponds to "the highest level in the society". Could you tell me on which step you would place yourself?

(SHOW CARD - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

(818-819)

1	The lowest level in the society	1
2		2
3		3
4		4
5		5
6		6
7		7
8		8
9		9
10	The highest level in the society	10
	Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	11

EB77.4 D61

D62 Could you tell me if...?

(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE - ONE ANSWER PER LINE)

(READ OUT)	Everyday	Two or three times a week	About once a week	Two or three times a month	Less often	Never	No Internet access (SPONTANEOUS)
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(820)	1	You use the Internet at home	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(821)	2	You use the Internet in your place of work	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
(822)	3	You use the Internet somewhere else (school, university, cyber-café, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

EB77.4 D62

D63	Do you see yourself and your household belonging to...?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)
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(823)

The working class of society	1
The middle class of society	2
The upper class of society	3
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	4
None (SPONTANEOUS)	5
Refusal (SPONTANEOUS)	6
DK	7

EB77.3 D63
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INTERVIEW PROTOCOLE

P1 Date of the interview

(844-845)

(846-847)

DAY

MONTH

EB77.4 P1

P2 Time of the beginning of the interview

INT.:USE 24 HOUR CLOCK

(848-849)

(850-851)

HOUR

MINUTES

EB77.4 P2

P3 Number of minutes the interview lasted

(852-854)

MINUTES

EB77.4 P3

P4 Number of persons present during the interview, including interviewer

(855)

Two (interviewer and respondent)
Three
Four
Five or more

1  
2  
3  
4

EB77.4 P4

P5 Respondent cooperation

(856)

Excellent
Fair
Average
Bad

1  
2  
3  
4

EB77.4 P5

P6 Size of locality

(LOCAL CODES)

(857-858)

EB77.4 P6

P7 | Region

(LOCAL CODES)

(859-860)

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EB77.4 P7

P8 | Postal code

(861-868)

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EB77.4 P8

P9 | Sample point number

(869-876)

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EB77.4 P9

P10 | Interviewer number

(877-884)

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EB77.4 P10

P11 | LEAVE BLANK

(885-892)

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EB77.4 P11

NO QUESTION P12

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