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Eurobarometer 79.5

**Country Questionnaire
Malta (English)**

ASK ITEM 28 ONLY IN CROATIA

Q1NAT	What is your nationality? Please tell me the country(ies) that applies(y).	
	(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)	
	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,
		28,
	Other countries	29,
	DK	30,
	EB79.4 Q1	
	IF OTHER or DK in Q1 THEN CLOSE INTERVIEW	

Q1	Could you name three European institutions you are aware of?	
	(DO NOT SHOW CARD - DO NOT READ OUT - MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
	The Parliament\ The European Parliament	1,
	The Commission\ The European Commission	2,
	The Council of the European Union\ The Council	3,
	The European Council	4,
	The European Central Bank	5,
	The European Court of Auditors	6,
	The Court of Justice of the European Union	7,
	The European Economic and Social Committee	8,
	The Committee of the Regions	9,
	Other	10,
	DK\ Does not know of any	11,
	EB77.4 QP1	

Q2	In general, does the European Parliament conjure up for you a very positive, fairly positive, neutral, fairly negative or very negative image?	
	(ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Very positive	1
	Fairly positive	2
	Neutral	3
	Fairly negative	4
	Very negative	5
	DK	6
	EB78.2 QP3	
Q3	Have you recently read in the press, seen on the Internet or on television or heard on the radio something about the European Parliament?	
	Yes	1
	No	2
	DK	3
	EB76.3 QP1	
Q4	And, in your opinion, do members of the European Parliament sit in the European Parliament according to...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Their nationality	1
	Their political affinities	2
	DK	3
	EB78.2 QP4	
Q5	Would you say that the European Parliament's decisions are adopted above all...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	According to the interests of the Member States from which the MEPs are coming	1
	According to the political affinities of the MEPs	2
	Both (SPONTANEOUS)	3
	DK	4
	EB78.2 QP5	
Q6	In your opinion, when will the next European elections be held, here in Malta?	
	(DO NOT SHOW CARD – DO NOT READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	This year\ in 2013	1
	Next year\ in 2014 \ in Mai 2014	2
	In two years\ in 2015 \ in June 2015	3
	Later	4
	DK	5
	NEW (BASED ON EB77.4 QP4)	

Q7	For each of the following statements about the EU could you please tell me whether you think it is true or false?			
(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)				
	(READ OUT)	True.	False.	DK
1	The members of the European Parliament are directly elected by the citizens of each Member State	1	2	3
2	The EU's budget is determined jointly by the European Parliament and the Member States	1	2	3
3	At the EU level, European laws (directives and regulations) have to be agreed jointly by the European Parliament and the Member States	1	2	3
4	Each Member State has the same number of Members of the European Parliament	1	2	3
EB77.4 QP5				

Q8	Please state whether, in your opinion, each of the following statements applies to the European Commission, the European Parliament or the Council of the European Union. Which of these institutions...?					
(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)						
	(READ OUT)	The European Commission	The European Parliament	The Council of the European Union	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	DK
1	Has its members elected by universal suffrage (directly by European citizens)	1	2	3	4	5
2	Puts forward EU's laws	1	2	3	4	5
3	Is composed of Ministers from each Member State	1	2	3	4	5
EB77.4 QP12						

Q9	Overall, in your opinion, which of the following institutions best represents the European Union?	
(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)		
The European Commission		1
The European Parliament		2
The Council of the European Union		3
Other (SPONTANEOUS)		4
DK		5
EB77.4 QP14		

Q10	Would you say that you are very interested, fairly interested, not very interested or not at all interested in European affairs?	
	(ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Very interested	1
	Fairly interested	2
	Not very interested	3
	Not at all interested	4
	DK	5
	EB78.2 QP13a	

Q11a	On which topic or policy area debated within the European Parliament or on which other topic related to the EU would you like to have more information? Firstly?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Euro	1
	EU solutions to tackle the crisis (sharing the debt, Eurobonds, tax on financial transactions TFT, etc.)	2
	Introduction of a banking union in the EU	3
	Maintaining a system for distributing food to the poorest Europeans	4
	A European investment plan to create new jobs including jobs for young people	5
	Consumer protection	6
	Future of energy within the EU	7
	Immigration, freedom of movement and asylum right	8
	Your rights as a European citizen	9
	Reform of the common agricultural policy	10
	Solidarity with Member States in financial difficulty	11
	European elections	12
	Climate change	13
	Values defended by the EU (equality between men and women, protection of human rights, etc.)	14
	The budget of the EU	15
	Fight against tax fraud, tax evasion and tax havens	16
	None\ Don't want to receive more information on these topics (SPONTANEOUS)	17
	DK	18
	NEW (BASED ON EB78.2 QP11a)	

Q11b	And then?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT– ROTATE – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
	Euro	1,
	EU solutions to tackle the crisis (sharing the debt, Eurobonds, tax on financial transactions TFT, etc.)	2,
	Introduction of a banking union in the EU	3,
	Maintaining a system for distributing food to the poorest Europeans	4,
	A European investment plan to create new jobs including jobs for young people	5,
	Consumer protection	6,
	Future of energy within the EU	7,
	Immigration, freedom of movement and asylum right	8,
	Your rights as a European citizen	9,
	Reform of the common agricultural policy	10,
	Solidarity with Member States in financial difficulty	11,
	European elections	12,
	Climate change	13,
	Values defended by the EU (equality between men and women, protection of human rights, etc.)	14,
	The budget of the EU	15,
	Fight against tax fraud, tax evasion and tax havens	16,
	None\ Don't want to receive more information on these topics (SPONTANEOUS)	17,
	DK	18,
	NEW (BASED ON EB78.2 QP11b)	

Q12	In your opinion, is the role played by the European Parliament in the running of the EU...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Very important	1
	Important	2
	Not very important	3
	Not at all important	4
	DK	5
	EB78.2 QP6	

Q13	Would you say that over the last 10 years the European Parliament's role within the EU has...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Been strengthened	1
	Been weakened	2
	Stayed the same	3
	DK	4
	EB78.2 QP7	

Q14	Would you personally like to see the European Parliament play a more important or less important role than it currently does?	
	(ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	More important	1
	Less important	2
	The same (SPONTANEOUS)	3
	DK	4
	EB78.2 QP8	

Q15a	The European Parliament promotes the development of certain policies at EU level. In your opinion which of the following policies should be given priority? Firstly?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	A foreign policy that enables the EU to speak with one voice on the international stage	1
	A security and defence policy that enables the EU to face up to international crisis	2
	The fight against climate change	3
	A common energy policy intended to ensure the EU's energy independence	4
	Improving consumer and public health protection	5
	An agricultural policy that is environmentally friendly and contributes to the global food balance	6
	Combating terrorism while respecting individual freedoms	7
	Coordinating economic, budget and tax policies	8
	A research and development (R&D) policy that ensures competitiveness and innovation	9
	The assertion of a European social model	10
	Tackling poverty and social exclusion	11
	An immigration policy implemented in consultation with countries of origin	12
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	13
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	14
	DK	15
	EB78.2 QP9a&b	

Q15b	And then?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT– ROTATE – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
	A foreign policy that enables the EU to speak with one voice on the international stage	1,
	A security and defence policy that enables the EU to face up to international crisis	2,
	The fight against climate change	3,
	A common energy policy intended to ensure the EU's energy independence	4,
	Improving consumer and public health protection	5,
	An agricultural policy that is environmentally friendly and contributes to the global food balance	6,
	Combating terrorism while respecting individual freedoms	7,
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	A research and development (R&D) policy that ensures competitiveness and innovation	9,
	The assertion of a European social model	10,
	Tackling poverty and social exclusion	11,
	An immigration policy implemented in consultation with countries of origin	12,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	13,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	14,	
DK	15,	
EB78.2 QP9a&b		

Q16a	And more specifically, which area do you think should be given priority in view of the crisis? Firstly?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Housing	1
	Regulating financial markets	2
	Pensions	3
	Purchasing power, combating inflation	4
	Reducing EU Member States' public debt	5
	Stimulating growth	6
	Jobs and combating unemployment	7
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	8
	DK	9
EB77.4 QP7a		

Q16b	And then?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 2 ANSWERS)	
	Housing	1,
	Regulating financial markets	2,
	Pensions	3,
	Purchasing power, combating inflation	4,
	Reducing EU Member States' public debt	5,
	Stimulating growth	6,
	Jobs and combating unemployment	7,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	8,
DK	9,	
EB77.4 QP7b		

Q17	As a citizen would you say that you would be better protected in the face of the current crisis if...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Malta adopted measures and applied them individually	1
	Malta adopted measures and applied them in a coordinated way with the other EU countries	2
	DK	3
EB75.2 QA3		

Q18	In your opinion, which of the following values should the European Parliament defend as a matter of priority?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
	Equality between men and women	1,
	The protection of minorities	2,
	The dialogue between cultures and religions	3,
	Solidarity between EU Member States	4,
	Solidarity between the EU and poor countries in the world	5,
	The protection of human rights	6,
	Freedom of speech	7,
	The abolition of the death penalty throughout the world	8,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
	None of these (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
DK	11,	
EB78.2 QP10		

Q19	Can you tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: what brings the citizens of the different EU Member States together is more important than what separates them.	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Totally agree	1
	Tend to agree	2
	Tend to disagree	3
	Totally disagree	4
	DK	5
	EB72.4 QA20.2 TREND MODIFIED	

Q20	When it comes to UE's activities, some Member States are ready to increase common European policy in certain important areas. Do you think that they should...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Do so without waiting for the other EU Member States	1
	Wait for all the EU Member States to be ready to do it	2
	DK	3
	NEW	

Q21	Please tell me how attached you feel to...					
	(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER LINE)					
	(READ OUT)	Very attached	Fairly attached	Not very attached	Not at all attached	DK
	1 Your city\ town\ village	1	2	3	4	5
	2 Your region	1	2	3	4	5
	3 Malta	1	2	3	4	5
	4 The European Union	1	2	3	4	5
	EB77.3 QD2 (items 1, 3, 4) + EB73.3 QB13.3 (item 2)					

Q22	Generally speaking, do you think that Malta's membership of the EU is...?	
	(READ OUT)	
	a good thing	1
	a bad thing	2
	Neither a good thing nor a bad thing	3
	DK	4
	EB77.4 QP23	

Q23	Taking everything into account, would you say that Malta has on balance benefited or not from being a member of the EU?	
	Benefited	1
	Not benefited	2
	DK	3
	EB75.3 QA11c	

Q24	Please tell me to what extent 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
1	My voice counts in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
2	My voice counts in Malta	1	2	3	4	5
3	Malta's voice counts in the EU	1	2	3	4	5
	EB78.2 QA23 (items 1, 2 scale modified) + EB77.4 QP22.3 (item 3)					

Q25	Which of the following are the best ways of ensuring that your voice is heard by decision-makers in the EU?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
	Voting in European elections	1,
	Using the European Citizens' Initiative	2,
	Writing to your MEP	3,
	Joining a trade union	4,
	Being a member of a consumer association	5,
	Being a member of or supporting European associations or NGOs (non-governmental organisations)	6,
	Taking part in debates on the websites or social media sites of the European institutions	7,
	Writing directly to the European institutions	8,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	9,
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
	DK	11,
	EB77.4 QP24	

Q26	Imagine how the EU will be in ten years' time. Compared with today, do you think that in 2025 European citizens will be...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	More involved in European affairs	1
	Less involved in European affairs	2
	Neither more nor less involved than today	3
	DK	4
	NEW	

ASK Q32 ONLY IN EU27 – HR GO TO Q33

Q27	Compared to 10 years ago, would you say the Maltese tend to feel...?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	More European than before	1
	Less European than before	2
	Neither less nor more\ no change (SPONTANEOUS)	3
	DK	4
	NEW	

ASK ALL

Q28	The European identity can be composed of several elements. In your opinion, which of the following are the most important elements that make up the European identity?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
	History	1,
	Geography	2,
	The values of democracy and freedom	3,
	The European anthem	4,
	The European flag	5,
	The single currency, the Euro	6,
	The EU motto: "Unity in diversity"	7,
	The successes of the European economy (European navigation satellite, European airplane manufacturers, high-speed/ international trains, etc.)	8,
	Culture	9,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	11,
	DK	12,
	EB77.4 QP9	

Q29a	Which of the following things would do most to strengthen your feeling of being a European citizen? Firstly?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Having the right to vote in all the elections held in the Member State where you live, even if you are not a citizen of this Member State	1
	A European social welfare system harmonised between the Member States (health, pensions, etc.)	2
	EU embassies in non EU countries	3
	European emergency response service to fight international natural disasters	4
	A European civic education course for children of primary school age	5
	Being able to use your mobile phone in all EU countries at the same price	6
	Being able to shop online from all EU countries at the same price and with the same consumer protection legislation	7
	Seeing a European researcher winning a Nobel prize	8
	The replacement of national income tax with a European income tax	9
	Being able to live anywhere in the EU after you retire and draw your pension there directly	10
	A European identity card in addition to your national identity card	11
	A European army	12
	A European Olympic team	13
	The generalised recognition of national qualifications in every EU country, without fresh examinations	14
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15
	You do not want to be a European citizen/ You do not feel that you're a European citizen (SPONTANEOUS)	16
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	17
	DK	18
	EB77.4 QP10a	

Q29b	And then?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 5 ANSWERS)	
	Having the right to vote in all the elections held in the Member State where you live, even if you are not a citizen of this Member State	1,
	A European social welfare system harmonised between the Member States (health, pensions, etc.)	2,
	EU embassies in non EU countries	3,
	European emergency response service to fight international natural disasters	4,
	A European civic education course for children of primary school age	5,
	Being able to use your mobile phone in all EU countries at the same price	6,
	Being able to shop online from all EU countries at the same price and with the same consumer protection legislation	7,
	Seeing a European researcher winning a Nobel prize	8,
	The replacement of national income tax with a European income tax	9,
	Being able to live anywhere in the EU after you retire and draw your pension there directly	10,
	A European identity card in addition to your national identity card	11,
	A European army	12,
	A European Olympic team	13,
	The generalised recognition of national qualifications in every EU country, without fresh examinations	14,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
	You do not want to be a European citizen/ You do not feel that you're a European citizen (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	17,
	DK	18,
	EB77.4 QP10b	

ASK Q35a&b ONLY IN EU27 – HR GO TO Q36

Q30a	On the whole, are you very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied with the way democracy works in Malta?	
Q30b	And how about the way democracy works in the EU?	
	(SHOW CARD WITH SCALE – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN)	
	(READ OUT)	
	Q30a	Q30b
	In Malta	In the European Union
	Very satisfied	1
	Fairly satisfied	2
	Not very satisfied	3
	Not at all satisfied	4
	DK	5
	EB78.1 QA19a&b	

ASK ALL

The next European elections will be held in May 2014. On this occasion, for the first time, based on the results of the European elections, the EU Member States will have to propose a candidate for the Presidency of the European Commission, President who will then be elected by the European Parliament. (M)

Q31	Imagine that, at the next European elections, the major European political alliances present a candidate for the post of President of the European Commission, based on a joint programme. The citizens of every Member State would therefore indirectly participate in the election of the President of the European Commission if his/her political alliances won the European elections. Would this encourage you more than at present to vote?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Yes, definitely	1
	Yes, probably	2
	No, probably not	3
	No, definitely not	4
	DK	5
	EB77.4 QP15	

Q32	Would you be in favour or opposed to the President of the European Commission being elected directly by the European citizens in a near future?	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Strongly in favour	1
	Fairly in favour	2
	Fairly opposed	3
	Strongly opposed	4
	DK	5
	NEW	

ASK Q38 IF "IN FAVOUR", CODE 1 OR 2 IN Q37 – OTHERS GO TO Q39

Q33 What are the main reasons why you would be in favour of the President of the European Commission directly elected by the European citizens in a near future? Because...

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

The EU would speak with one voice on the international stage	1
EU's decisions would seem more legitimate to the Europeans	2
It would reinforce your feeling of being a European citizen	3
It would reinforce democracy within the EU	4
It would reinforce the link between the EU and its citizens	5
It would give the EU a face	6
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	7
DK	8
NEW	

ASK ALL

Q34 In your opinion, what are the main challenges facing the EU and its Member States in order to face the future?

(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)

Ageing population	1,
Social inequalities	2,
Competition from emerging countries	3,
Insufficient growth	4,
Public debt of the Member States	5,
Unemployment	6,
Access to jobs for young people	7,
Environmental issues	8,
Terrorism	9,
Immigration	10,
Climate change	11,
Energy supply	12,
Tax fraud	13,
EU's influence on international stage	14,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	15,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	16,
DK	17,
NEW (BASED ON EB78.2 QA13)	

Q35	Could you tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statement: overall the euro has mitigated the negative effects of the crisis.	
	(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	Totally agree	1
	TEND TO AGREE	2
	TEND TO DISAGREE	3
	Totally disagree	4
	DK	5
	EB76.1 QA3	

ASK Q43 ONLY IN NON EURO AREA AND IN CROATIA – OTHERS GO TO Q44a

Q36		
		1
		2
		3
		4
		5
	NEW	

ASK ALL

Q37a	In your opinion, in 2025, which of the following institutions will enable you most effectively to benefit from the positive effects of globalisation? Firstly?	
Q37b	And secondly?	
	(SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN)	
	(READ OUT – ROTATE)	
	Q37a	Q37b
	FIRSTLY	SECONDLY
	The European Union	1
	Maltese Government	2
	Private companies	3
	Non-governmental organisations (NGOs)	4
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	5
	DK	6
	NEW	

Q38a	And in your opinion, in 2025, which of the following institutions will be able to protect you most effectively from the negative effects of globalisation? Firstly?		
Q38b	And secondly?		
	(SHOW CARD – ONE ANSWER PER COLUMN)		
	(READ OUT – ROTATE)		
		Q38a	Q38b
		FIRSTLY	SECONDLY
	The European Union	1	1
	Maltese Government	2	2
	Private companies	3	3
	Non-governmental organisations (NGOs)	4	4
	None (SPONTANEOUS)	5	5
	DK	6	6
	NEW		

Q39a	In your opinion, which country or group of countries, from the following list, will be the biggest economic power in the world in 2025? Firstly?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
	The USA	1
	China	2
	Brazil	3
	Russia	4
	Japan	5
	India	6
	South Africa	7
	Canada	8
	The European Union	9
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	10
	DK	11
	NEW	

Q39b	And then?	
	(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)	
	The USA	1,
	China	2,
	Brazil	3,
	Russia	4,
	Japan	5,
	India	6,
	South Africa	7,
	Canada	8,
	The European Union	9,
	Other (SPONTANEOUS)	10,
	DK	11,
	NEW	

The European Parliament has recently ruled in favour of measures intended to reinforce supervision and regulation of the banks within the euro area, in order to prevent new crises from emerging. These measures should be implemented from 2014.

Q40	In your opinion, would each of the following measures be more effective if implemented at national level or at European level?			
(ONE ANSWER PER LINE)				
	(READ OUT)	More effective at national level	More effective at European level	DK
1	Supervising and overseeing banks	1	2	3
2	Regulation and cap on bankers' bonuses	1	2	3
3	Guarantees for citizens' bank deposits	1	2	3
4	Support for banks in difficulty	1	2	3
NEW				

The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) represents the total wealth produced in a country by all economic actors.

Q41	The total budget of the EU represents more or less 1% of the total gross domestic product (GDP) of all the Member States, that is to say about 145 billion euros. Would you say that this proportion is too high, about right or too small?	
(ONE ANSWER ONLY)		
Too high		1
About right		2
Too small		3
DK		4
NEW		

Q42a	And on which of the following would you like EU budget to be spent? Firstly?
(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – ONE ANSWER ONLY)	
Economic growth	1
Scientific research	2
Education and training	3
Energy issues	4
Transport	5
Climate change and environmental protection	6
Agriculture and rural development	7
Regional investment	8
Assistance to EU neighbours, and to candidate countries (if necessary: explain that candidate countries are countries that are officially candidates for accessing the EU)	9
Development and humanitarian aid to countries outside the EU	10
Defence and security	11
Immigration issues	12
Social affairs and employment	13
Public health	14
Culture and media	15
Administrative and personnel costs, buildings	16
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	17
None (SPONTANEOUS)	18
DK	19
EB75.3 QD2a	

Q42b	Any others?
(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ROTATE – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
Economic growth	1,
Scientific research	2,
Education and training	3,
Energy issues	4,
Transport	5,
Climate change and environmental protection	6,
Agriculture and rural development	7,
Regional investment	8,
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Immigration issues	12,
Social affairs and employment	13,
Public health	14,
Culture and media	15,
Administrative and personnel costs, buildings	16,
Other (SPONTANEOUS)	17,
None (SPONTANEOUS)	18,
DK	19,
EB75.3 QD2b	

Q43	Which three initiatives could most improve the performance of the European economy?
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(SHOW CARD – READ OUT – MAX. 3 ANSWERS)	
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,
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