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**Flash Eurobarometer 475
(Perceived Independence of the National Justice Systems
in the EU among Companies, 2019)**

**Country Questionnaire
Ireland (English)**

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| (INTRO1) Hello, I'm (NAME), calling from Millward Brown. May I speak with (TITLE/ROLE DESCRIPTION)? |
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| (INTRO2) IF THE GATEKEEPER ASKS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: We are contacting (decision makers in) companies across Europe regarding their views on current business topics. The feedback will be used to support decision-making and design future European policies. I would greatly appreciate being able to speak with him or her to include his/her opinion in the study. |
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IF THE ELIGIBLE REPONDENT IS NOT AVAILABLE, PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

(INTRO3) (WHEN SPEAKING TO THE TARGETED RESPONDENTS) Hello, I'm (NAME), calling from Millward Brown, a market research company.

(INTRO4) We are contacting (decision makers in) companies across Europe regarding their views on current business topics and we would greatly appreciate your input. The feedback will be used to support decision-making and design future European policies. Would you have some time to answer to a few questions? It should not take more than 10 minutes...

ASK LAN1 ONLY IN BE, EE, FI, IE, LV, LU, MT, ES, CH

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| LAN1 | Would you like to do the survey in English or Irish? |
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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(RESPONDENT REASSURANCE) I would like to reassure you that your co-operation is completely voluntary and all of your answers are confidential. For quality control and training purposes this interview may be monitored or recorded. First I will ask a few questions purely for classification purposes...

ASK ALL

Let me start with a few basic questions regarding your company. For all questions, please limit your responses to the activities of your company in Ireland only.

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| D1 | In which region is your company Head Quarters located? |
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| Limerick | 13 |
| Longford | 14 |
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| Meath | 17 |
| Monaghan | 18 |
| Offaly | 19 |
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| Sligo | 21 |
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| D2 | How many employees (full-time equivalent) does your company currently have? |
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(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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| 1 to 9 employees | 1 |
| 10 to 49 employees | 2 |
| 50 to 249 employees | 3 |
| 250 to 499 employees | 4 |
| 500 or more employees | 5 |
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| D3 | When was your company established? |
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(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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| Before 1 January 2013 | 1 |
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| Between 1 January 2013 and 1 January 2018 |
| After 1 January 2018 |
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| D4 | In the last two years, has your company been involved in any dispute which has gone to court? |
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(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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| D5A | What was your company's total turnover in 2018? |
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| WRITE DOWN, IF REFUSAL/DK CODE '999' |
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| ASK D5B IF CODE 999 IN D5A, RECODE ALL VALID ANSWERS IN D5A |
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| D5B | What was your company's total turnover in 2018? |
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| (READ OUT IF NECESSARY - ONE ANSWER ONLY) |
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| Less than 25 000 euros | 1 |
| More than 25 000 to 50 000 euros | 2 |
| More than 50 000 to 100 000 euros | 3 |

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| More than 100 000 to 250 000 euros | |
| More than 250 000 to 500 000 euros | |
| More than 500 000 to 2 million euros | |
| More than 2 to 10 million euros | |
| More than 10 to 50 million euros | |
| More than 50 million euros | |
| DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT) | |

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FL462 D4B

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D6: ROTATE ITEMS 1 TO 3

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| D6 | Do you know if in 2018 your company has : |
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(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

| | | Yes | No | DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT) |
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| 1 | Sold products and or services to other EU countries | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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| 2 | Sold products and or services to countries outside EU | 1 | 2 | 3 |
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FL462 D5

ASK D7 IF 'Sold products and or services to other EU countries' (CODE 1) IN D6.1, OTHERS GO TO D8

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| D7 | Approximately, what percentage of the value of your company's products and or services were sold to other EU Member States in 2018? |
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(WRITE THE ANSWERS IN PERCENTAGES) IF REFUSAL/DK CODE '999'; IF DOES NOT KNOW EXACTLY, INSIST ON GETTING AN ESTIMATE

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FL462 D6

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| D8 | Does your company sell ... |
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(READ OUT – MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)

products directly to consumers

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| products to companies or other organisations |
| services directly to consumers |
| services to companies or other organisations |
| Other (DO NOT READ OUT) |
| DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT) |

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FL462 D7

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| D9 | Is your company...? |
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(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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| Owned or controlled entirely by persons from (Ireland) | |
| 50% or more owned or controlled by persons from other countries outside (Ireland) | |
| Between 10-50% owned by persons from other countries outside (Ireland) | |

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| Below 10 % owned by persons from other countries outside (Ireland) | |
| DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT) | |

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| Q1 | <p>From what you know, how would you rate the justice system in Ireland in terms of the independence of courts and judges? Would you say it is very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?</p> |
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

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| Very good | 1 |
| Fairly good | 2 |
| Fairly bad | 3 |
| Very bad | 4 |
| DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT) | 5 |

FL462 Q1

ASK Q2a IF 'FAIRLY BAD' (CODE 3) OR 'VERY BAD' (CODE 4) IN Q1 – OTHERS GO TO Q2b

Q2a: ROTATE ITEMS 1 TO 3

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| Q2a | Could you tell me to what extent each of the following reasons explains your rating of the independence of the justice system in Ireland: |
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| | | Very much | Somewhat | Not really | Not at all | DK/NA (DO NOT READ OUT) |
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| 1 | Interference or pressure from government and politicians | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 2 | Interference or pressure from economic or other specific interests | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 3 | The status and position of judges do not sufficiently guarantee their independence | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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FL462 Q2a

ASK Q2b IF 'VERY GOOD' (CODE 1) OR 'FAIRLY GOOD' (CODE 2) IN Q1

Q2b: ROTATE ITEMS 1 TO 3

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| Q2b | Could you tell me to what extent each of the following reasons explains your rating of the independence of the justice system in Ireland: |
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| 1 | No interference or pressure from government and politicians | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 2 | No interference or pressure from economic or other specific interests | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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| 3 | The status and position of judges sufficiently guarantee their independence | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
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