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AC- EB 00 Questionnaire

SCREENER1: What is your citizenship? IF DIFFERENT FROM INTERVIEWING COUNTRY'S CITIZENSHIP TERMINATE THE INTERVIEW!

SCREENER2: (For Baltic States & Romania): **What interviewing language do you prefer?**
APPLY APPROPRIATE QUESTIONNAIRE!

Q1. On the whole, how satisfied are you with your life in general? Would you say you are...? (Read out)

- 1 - Very satisfied
- 2 - Fairly satisfied
- 3 - Not very satisfied
- 4 - Not at all satisfied

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q2. And what are your expectations for the year to come: will it be better, worse or the same, when it comes to...?

(Read out)

	better	the same	worse	DK / no opinion	Refusal
a) your life in general	3	2	1	9	X
b) the economic situation in (COUNTRY)	3	2	1	9	X
c) the financial situation of your household	3	2	1	9	X
d) the possibilities for employment in (COUNTRY)	3	2	1	9	X
e) your employment possibilities	3	2	1	9	X
f) your prospects at work	3	2	1	9	X

Q3. What is your mother tongue? (IF RESPONDENT CAN'T DECIDE FOR ONE LANGUAGE, ASK) What was the most spoken language in your family when you were a child?

(Do not probe – do not read out – one answer only)

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- 1) Bulgarian
 - 2) Greek
 - 3) Czech
 - 4) Estonian
 - 5) Hungarian
 - 6) Latvian
 - 7) Lithuanian
 - 8) Maltese
 - 9) Polish
 - 10) Romanian
 - 11) Slovak
 - 12) Slovenian
 - 13) Turkish
 - 14) Croatian
 - 15) English
 - 16) German
 - 17) Italian
 - 18) Romani
 - 19) Russian
 - 20) Serbian
 - 21) Ukrainian
 - 22) Other

99) DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

00) Refusal (spontaneous)

Q4. And which languages can you speak well enough to take part in a conversation, apart from your mother tongue?

(Do not probe – do not read out – several answers possible)

		mentioned	did not mention
1)	Bulgarian	1	2
2)	Greek	1	2
3)	Czech	1	2
4)	Estonian	1	2
5)	Hungarian	1	2
6)	Latvian	1	2
7)	Lithuanian	1	2
8)	Maltese	1	2
9)	Polish	1	2
10)	Romanian	1	2
11)	Slovak	1	2
12)	Slovenian	1	2
13)	Turkish	1	2
14)	Arabic	1	2
15)	Croatian	1	2
16)	English	1	2
17)	French	1	2
18)	German	1	2
19)	Italian	1	2
20)	Romani	1	2
21)	Russian	1	2
22)	Serbian	1	2
23)	Spanish	1	2
24)	Ukrainian	1	2
25)	Other	1	2

99) DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

00) Refusal (spontaneous)

Q5. When you get together with friends, would you say you discuss political matters

- 1 - frequently
2 - occasionally
3 - never

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q6. When you hold a strong opinion, do you ever find yourself persuading your friends, relatives or fellow workers to share your views? Does this happen...? (Read out)

- 1 - often
2 - from time to time
3 - rarely
4 - never

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q7. About how often do you ... (Show card with scale, read out:)

	every day	several times a week	once or twice a week	less often	never	DK / no opinion	Refusal
a) watch the news on television	1	2	3	4	5	9	X
b) read the news in daily papers	1	2	3	4	5	9	X
c) listen to the news on the radio	1	2	3	4	5	9	X

Q8. In general, do you pay attention to news about each of the following?

(Show card with scale, read out:)

	a lot of attention	a little attention	no attention at all	DK / no opinion	Refusal
a) local politics	3	2	1	9	X
b) national politics	3	2	1	9	X
c) social issues, such as education, health care, poverty, etc.	3	2	1	9	X
d) the European Union	3	2	1	9	X
e) the economy	3	2	1	9	X
f) sport	3	2	1	9	X
g) the environment	3	2	1	9	X
h) foreign policy - international relationships	3	2	1	9	X
i) culture	3	2	1	9	X

Q9. When you think of the European Union, what comes first to your mind? And then? And then?

Q10. And, in general, do you have a very positive, fairly positive, neutral, fairly negative or very negative image of the European Union? (translators : use a word for « image » which expresses feelings, references and associations towards the EUROPEAN UNION)

- 5 - very positive
- 4 - fairly positive
- 3 - neutral
- 2 - fairly negative
- 1 - very negative

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
 X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q11. Which of the following international institutions had you ever heard of, before this interview? (Show card – read out – several answers possible)
 (If "heard of")

Q11a. And do you tend to trust it, or not? (SCALE 1-5)

	Q11.		Q11a.			
	heard of	haven't heard of	tend to trust, or	tend to not trust	DK / no opinion	Refuse
a) the United Nations (UN)	1	2	1	2	9	X
b) UNESCO	1	2	1	2	9	X
c) NATO	1	2	1	2	9	X
d) the European Union	1	2	1	2	9	X
e) the European Parliament	1	2	1	2	9	X
f) the European Commission	1	2	1	2	9	X
g) the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)	1	2	1	2	9	X
h) the Council of Europe	1	2	1	2	9	X
i) the European Court of Human Rights	1	2	1	2	9	X
j) the International Court of Justice	1	2	1	2	9	X

Q12. Using this scale from 1 to 10, where one means «nothing at all» and ten means «a lot», how much do you feel you know about the European Union, its policies, its institutions? (SHOW CARD WITH SCALE)

knows nothing at all											knows a lot	DK / no opinion	Refusal
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	0	X		

Q13. Have you ever heard of (COUNTRY)'s bid to become a member of the European Union?

- 1 - Yes
- 2 - No

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
 X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q14. Generally speaking, do you think that (COUNTRY)'s membership of the European Union would be...?

(Read out)

3 - a good thing

2 - neither good nor bad

1 - a bad thing

9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

X - Refusal (spontaneous)

Q15. And, if there were to be a referendum tomorrow on the question of (country)'s membership of the European Union, would you personally vote for or against it?

1 - for

2 - against

3 - I would not to go to vote (spontaneous)

9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

X - Refusal (spontaneous)

Q16. Taking everything into consideration, would you say that (COUNTRY) would get advantages or not from being a member of the European Union?

1 - yes, it would

2 - no, it wouldn't

9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

X - Refusal (spontaneous)

Q17. Do you think that (COUNTRY) would get much more advantages than disadvantages, more advantages than disadvantages, as much advantages as disadvantages, more disadvantages than advantages or much more disadvantages than advantages from being a member of the European Union? (SHOW CARD - READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

5 - much more advantages than disadvantages

4 - more advantages than disadvantages

3 - as much advantages as disadvantages

2 - more disadvantages than advantages

1 - much more disadvantages than advantages

9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

X - Refusal (spontaneous)

Q18. And would you say that you, yourself, would get advantages or not from (COUNTRY) being a member of the European Union?

- 1 - yes, I would
- 2 - no, I wouldn't

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
 X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q19. Do you think that you, yourself, would get much more advantages than disadvantages, more advantages than disadvantages, as much advantages as disadvantages, more disadvantages than advantages or much more disadvantages than advantages from (COUNTRY) being a member of the European Union? (SHOW CARD – READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- 5 - much more advantages than disadvantages
- 4 - more advantages than disadvantages
- 3 - as much advantages as disadvantages
- 2 - more disadvantages than advantages
- 1 - much more disadvantages than advantages

9 – DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
 X – Refusal (spontaneous)

Q20. For each of the following groups, do you think they would get more advantages or more disadvantages from (COUNTRY) being a member of the European Union? (read out – rotate – mark on « R » field where you begun asking the list)

R		more advantages	more disadvantages	DK / no opinion	Refusal
A.	1. those whose speak foreign languages	1	2	9	X
B.	2. entrepreneurs, industrialists	1	2	9	X
C.	3. politicians	1	2	9	X
D.	4. professionals/specialists, such as lawyers, doctors, architects, etc.	1	2	9	X
E.	5. young people	1	2	9	X
F.	6. all the (nationality)	1	2	9	X
G.	7. the inhabitants of (CAPITAL OF THE COUNTRY)	1	2	9	X
H.	8. some parts of (COUNTRY) more than others	1	2	9	X
I.	9. children	1	2	9	X
J.	10. employed people	1	2	9	X
K.	11. industrial workers	1	2	9	X
L.	12. small entrepreneurs, craftsmen	1	2	9	X
M.	13. teachers	1	2	9	X
N.	14. civil servants	1	2	9	X
O.	15. middle-aged people	1	2	9	X
P.	16. farmers	1	2	9	X
Q.	17. rural population	1	2	9	X
R.	18. the unemployed	1	2	9	X
S.	19. pensioners	1	2	9	X
T.	20. elderly people	1	2	9	X
U.	21. those who don't speak any foreign language	1	2	9	X
V.	22. people belonging to cultural, religious or other minorities	1	2	9	X
	23. others (spontaneous)	1	2	9	X
	24. nobody (spontaneous)	1	2	9	X

Q21. Thinking about the enlargement of the European Union to include new European countries, including (COUNTRY), do you tend to agree or tend to disagree with each of the following statements?

	tend to agree	tend to disagree	DK / no opinion	Refusal
a) (COUNTRY) has a lot to offer to the EUROPEAN UNION	1	2	9	X
b) The more countries there will be in the European Union, the more peace and security will be guaranteed in Europe	1	2	9	X
c) Being a member of the European Union would help the (NATIONALITY) economy	1	2	9	X
d) With the enlargement, (COUNTRY) would become more important in Europe	1	2	9	X
e) (COUNTRY)'s leaders are doing what is needed to become a member of the European Union in the near future	1	2	9	X
f) The more member countries within the European Union, the more important it will be in the world	1	2	9	X
g) (COUNTRY)'s membership of the European Union is historically and geographically natural, justified	1	2	9	X
h) With more member countries, Europe will be culturally richer	1	2	9	X
i) (COUNTRY)'s membership of the EUROPEAN UNION would increase life standards	1	2	9	X
j) With the enlargement, there would be more unemployment in (COUNTRY)	1	2	9	X

Q22. When, what year do you think (COUNTRY) will become a member of the EUROPEAN UNION? (IF RANGE MENTIONED, e.g. : “sometime between 2003 and 2006” ; or : “not before 2005”) What do you think the most likely year is for accession?
(Do not probe – do not read out – one answer only)

year _____

- 1) 2000
- 2) 2001
- 3) 2002
- 4) 2003
- 5) 2004
- 6) 2005
- 7) 2006
- 8) 2007
- 9) 2008
- 10) 2009
- 11) 2010
- 12) 2011-2015
- 13) 2016-2020
- 14) later
- 88) never
- 99) DK / no opinion
- X) Refusal

Q23. And when, what year would you like (COUNTRY) to become a member of the EUROPEAN UNION? (IF RANGE MENTIONED, e.g. : “sometime between 2003 and 2006” ; or : “not before 2005”) What year would be the year you would prefer the most for accession?

(Do not probe – do not read out – one answer only)

year _____

- 1) 2000
- 2) 2001
- 3) 2002
- 4) 2003
- 5) 2004
- 6) 2005
- 7) 2006
- 8) 2007
- 9) 2008
- 10) 2009
- 11) 2010
- 12) 2011-2015
- 13) 2016-2020
- 14) later
- 88) never
- 99) DK / no opinion
- X) Refusal

Q24. For each of the following countries, would you be in favour of or against it becoming member of the European Union?

	in favour	against	DK / no opinion	Refusal
1. Bulgaria	1	2	9	X
2. Cyprus	1	2	9	X
3. Czech Rep.	1	2	9	X
4. Estonia	1	2	9	X
5. Hungary	1	2	9	X
6. Latvia	1	2	9	X
7. Lithuania	1	2	9	X
8. Malta	1	2	9	X
9. Poland	1	2	9	X
10. Romania	1	2	9	X
11. Slovakia	1	2	9	X
12. Slovenia	1	2	9	X
13. Turkey	1	2	9	X

Q25. For each of the following areas, do you think that decisions should be made solely by the (NATIONALITY) government, or made jointly within the European Union, once (COUNTRY) becomes a member? (SHOW CARD)

	solely by COUNTRY	jointly with the EUROPEAN UNION	DK / no opinion	Refusal
1. defence	1	2	9	X
2. protection of the environment	1	2	9	X
3. currency	1	2	9	X
4. humanitarian aid	1	2	9	X
5. health and social welfare	1	2	9	X
6. basic rules for broadcasting and press	1	2	9	X
7. the fight against poverty - social exclusion	1	2	9	X
8. the fight against unemployment	1	2	9	X
9. agriculture and fishing policy	1	2	9	X
10. supporting regions which are experiencing economic difficulties	1	2	9	X
11. education	1	2	9	X
12. scientific and technological research	1	2	9	X
13. information about the European Union, its policies and institutions	1	2	9	X
14. foreign policy towards countries outside the European Union	1	2	9	X
15. cultural policy	1	2	9	X

Q26. And for each of the following? (SHOW CARD)

	solely by COUNTRY	jointly with the EUROPEAN UNION	DK / no opinion	Refusal
1. immigration policy	1	2	9	X
2. rules for political asylum	1	2	9	X
3. the fight against organised crime	1	2	9	X
4. police	1	2	9	X
5. justice	1	2	9	X
6. accepting refugees	1	2	9	X
7. juvenile crime prevention	1	2	9	X
8. urban crime prevention	1	2	9	X
9. the fight against drugs	1	2	9	X
10. the fight against trade in, and exploitation of human beings	1	2	9	X

Q27. Finally, how would you prefer to get information about the European Union? (Show card – read out – several answers possible)

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- 1) political rallies
 - 2) lectures/conferences
 - 3) discussions with relatives, friends, colleagues
 - 4) daily newspapers
 - 5) other newspapers, magazines
 - 6) TV
 - 7) radio
 - 8) the Internet, the World Wide Web
 - 9) books
 - 10) brochures, information leaflets
 - 11) video tape
 - 12) CD-ROM
 - 13) school, university
 - 14) a special free information phone line
 - 15) others (spontaneous)
 - 16) not interested (spontaneous)

99) – DK

X) – N/A

Q28. (Don't ask to those who have refused or answered "not interested" in Q27) **And on which topics, related to the European Union, would you like to get more information?** (Show card – read out – several answers possible)

	yes	no	DK / can't decide	Refusal
1) the history of the European Union	1	2	9	X
2) the institutions of the EUROPEAN UNION, how they work, what they do, etc.	1	2	9	X
3) the Economic and Monetary Union	1	2	9	X
4) the European Single Currency, the Euro	1	2	9	X
5) the European economy in general	1	2	9	X
6) the European Single Market of Goods and Services	1	2	9	X
7) other financial/economical topics	1	2	9	X
8) the EUROPEAN UNION and agriculture, the European Common Agricultural Policy	1	2	9	X
9) the European Common Foreign and Security Policy	1	2	9	X
10) the international relations of the EUROPEAN UNION (with the USA, Japan, Russia, etc.)	1	2	9	X
11) Regional policy, how the European Union helps poorer regions to develop	1	2	9	X
12) pre-accession funding	1	2	9	X
13) the European budget	1	2	9	X
14) the European Research and Development policy	1	2	9	X
15) policy concerning Education	1	2	9	X
16) policy concerning Culture	1	2	9	X
17) policy concerning Youth	1	2	9	X
18) the European citizenship	1	2	9	X
19) the EUROPEAN UNION and consumer protection	1	2	9	X
20) the EUROPEAN UNION and the protection of the environment	1	2	9	X
21) the European Social Policy	1	2	9	X
22) others	1	2	9	X

D1. What is your nationality?

(Do not probe – do not read out – one answer only)

-
- 1) Bulgarian
 - 2) Greek
 - 3) Czech
 - 4) Estonian
 - 5) Hungarian
 - 6) Latvian
 - 7) Lithuanian
 - 8) Maltese
 - 9) Polish
 - 10) Romanian
 - 11) Slovak
 - 12) Slovenian
 - 13) Turkish
 - 14) Albanian
 - 15) Macedonian
 - 16) Croatian
 - 17) English
 - 18) German
 - 19) Italian
 - 20) Romani
 - 21) Russian
 - 22) Serbian
 - 23) Ukrainian
 - 24) Other

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- 99) DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
00) Refusal (spontaneous)

D2. Are you ...?

- 1 - Single
- 2 - Married
- 3 - Living as married
- 4 - Divorced
- 5 - Separated
- 6 - Widowed

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- 9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
X - Refusal (spontaneous)

D3. How old were you when you stopped full-time education?

(CODE THE AGE OF EDUCATION TERMINATION, IF STILL STUDYING: CODE 00)

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D4. What is the year of your birth?

(CODE LAST TWO DIGITS OF THE YEAR!)

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D5. How many people live in your household, including yourself, all adults and children?

(CODE LAST TWO DIGITS OF THE YEAR!)

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D6. Do you or anyone else in your household own .. ?

(READ OUT)

	yes	no	DK	refusal
a) a house	1	2	9	X
b) an apartment	1	2	9	X
c) a colour TV set	1	2	9	X
d) a video recorder	1	2	9	X
e) a video camera	1	2	9	X
f) automatic washing machine	1	2	9	X
g) dishwasher	1	2	9	X
h) a PC / home computer	1	2	9	X
i) Internet access	1	2	9	X
j) a still camera	1	2	9	X
k) a second home or a holiday home/flat	1	2	9	X
l) mobile phone	1	2	9	X
m) microwave oven	1	2	9	X
n) HI-FI equipment	1	2	9	X
o) 2 or more cars	1	2	9	X
p) only one car	1	2	9	X

D7a) What is your current occupation ?

**D7b) (IF NOT DOING ANY PAID WORK CURRENTLY - CODES 1 TO 4 IN D10a)
Did you do any paid work in the past? What was your last occupation ?**

OCCUPATION	D7a) current	D7b) last
NOT WORKING		
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	
SELF EMPLOYED		
Farmer	5	5
Fisherman	6	6
Professional (lawyer, medical practitioner, accountant, architect, ...)	7	7
Owner of a shop, craftsmen, other self employed person	8	8
Business proprietors, owner (full or partner) of a company	9	9
EMPLOYED		
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 desk	13	13
Employed position, not at desk but travelling (salesmen, driver, ...)	14	14
Employed position, not at a desk, but in a service job (hospital, restaurant, police, fireman, ...)	15	15
Supervisor	16	16
Skilled manual worker	17	17
Other (unskilled) manual worker, servant	18	18
NEVER DID ANY PAID WORK		19

D8. Are you/were you paid – directly or indirectly – by the state, local government or other public administration?

- 1 - yes
- 2 - no
- 9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
- X - Refusal (spontaneous)

D9. Are you ...? READ OUT

	Yes	No	Refuse
a) In your household the person mainly responsible for ordinary shopping and looking after the home	1	2	X
b) In your household the person who contributes most to the household income	1	2	X

D10. Do you consider yourself as belonging to a particular religion? (IF YES) Which one? (Show card – one answer only)

- 1 - Roman Catholic
 - 2 - Greek Catholic
 - 3 - Protestant
 - 4 - Orthodox
 - 5 - Jewish
 - 6 - Muslim
 - 7 - Buddhist
 - 8 - Hindu
 - 9 - Other
 - 10 - None, I do not consider myself belonging to a particular religion
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- 99 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
 - X - Refusal (spontaneous)

D11. Do you attend religious services other than weddings or funerals several times a week, once a week, a few times a year, once a year or less, or never? (ONE ANSWER ONLY)

- 1 - several times a week
 - 2 - once a week
 - 3 - a few times a year
 - 4 - once a year or less
 - 5 - never
-
- 9 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)
 - X - Refusal (spontaneous)

D12. We also need some information about the income of this household to be able to analyse the survey results for different types of households. Here is a list of income groups. (SHOW CARD)

Please count the total wages and salaries PER MONTH of all members of this household; all pensions and social insurance benefits; child allowances and any other income like rents, etc.

...Of course, your answer as all other replies in this interview will be treated confidentially and referring back to you or your household will be impossible. Please give me the letter of the income group your household falls into!

1 - B

2 - T

3 - P

4 - F

5 - E

6 - H

7 - L

8 - N

9 - R

10 - M

99 - DK / no opinion (spontaneous)

X - Refusal (spontaneous)

D13. Gender (DO NOT ASK)

1 - male

2 - female

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