National Interest Group Survey

Introduction

Thank you very much for your participation in the survey.

All your answers will be treated confidentially and the data will be used for academic purposes only. Filling out the questionnaire will take approximately 30 minutes. If possible please complete the survey in one sitting. However, if you need to pause and continue later, you will be directed to the point where you paused the survey if you use the same computer or mobile device.

Kind regards,

Professor

Filters

This survey has filters. Filters are indicated by the following symbol: (FILTERX).

When (FILTERX) is behind an answer category, then it signifies that certain questions or answer categories are only visible when this category is selected.

These dependent answers or answer categories are indicated by (FILTERX) in front of the question or category.

Example:

1. Is this a test?

Yes (FILTER1)

○ No

2. (FILTER1) Was the test clear?

Yes

O No

W: Stands for add warning

R: Stands for randomize answer options

Background Information

Scale

Membership

1. **QID01** Is this the name of your organization? **[q01]**

O No (0)

• Yes, this is the right name (1)

The name of the organization is: [q01_02]

2. **QID02** In what year was your organization founded? (Format: yyyy) [q02]

ation have	broad sense. For example, members may include regular donors who only make financial contributions as well as active members who are engaged in a wide range of organizational activities. Members can be individuals, firms or other organizations.								
Does your organization have members in this sense? [q03] Yes (FILTER1) (1) No (0)									
 QID04 (FILTER1) Listed below are different types of members. Please indicate for each type of member how many people/ organizations support your organization. 									
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
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Advocacy/lobbying (FILTER2) [q19_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Representation (FILTER2) [q19_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Mobilizing members (FILTER2) [q19_03] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Media campaigns (FILTER2) [q19_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Research (FILTER2) [q19_05] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Support or advice to members (FILTER2) [q19_06] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Support or advice to clients or beneficiaries (FILTER2) [q19_07] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Fundraising (FILTER2) [q19_08] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Promoting volunteering (FILTER2) [q19_09] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Recruiting members/supporters/donors(FILTER2) [q19_10] (0: No; 1: Yes)
Monitoring the election campaigns of political parties (FILTER2) [q19_11] (0: No; 1: Yes)

5. QID19 Looking at the list below: Which activities is your organization involved in? Please tick all boxes that

6. QID20 (FILTER2) How involved is your organization in these activities? (W)

	Somewhat involved in	Very involved in
	1	2
(FILTER2) Advocacy/lobbying [q20_01]	C	O
(FILTER2) Representation [q20_02]	О	0
(FILTER2) Mobilizing members [q20_03]	0	O
(FILTER2) Media campaigns [q20_04]	С	О
(FILTER2) Research [q20_05]	О	O
(FILTER2) Support or advice to members [q20_06]	0	0
(FILTER2) Support or advice to clients or beneficiaries [q20_07]	O	O
(FILTER2) Fundraising [q20_08]	0	0
(FILTER2) Promoting volunteering [q20_09]	Ō	O
(FILTER2) Recruiting members/supporters/donors [q20_10]	0	0
(FILTER2) Monitoring the election campaigns of political parties [q20_11]	О	0

7. **QID05** (FILTER1) How important are members to your organization with regard to the following activities? (R)

	Not at all important	Not very important	Neither important nor unimportant	Important	Very important	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Providing evidence of support from affected members or concerned citizens [q05_01]	O	О	O	О	О	O
Helping to influence public policy (e.g. by contacting politicians or civil servants) [q05_02]	О	0	0	0	0	0
Identifying problems or providing ideas about your organization's activities [q05_03]	С	О	С	0	O	0
Providing ideas about your organization's campaigning strategies [q05_04]	O	0	0	0	0	0
Running local groups or branches [q05_05]	С	0	O	О	0	0
Generating income for the organization (e.g. fees, subscriptions, fundraising contributions, etc.) [q05_06]	О	0	0	0	О	0

8. **QID06** (FILTER1) Most organizations have a potential and an actual membership. For example, an association representing [COUNTRY] food producers may include all food producing companies in [COUNTRY] and would, in that case, have realized its full potential membership. Alternatively a transport labour union may only have 40 percent of transport workers in a country as members and have not realized its full potential.

What percentage o	f potential	members are	actually memb	pers of your	organization?	[q06]
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	1 000	+600	1 \(\O\)	111
	Less	than	10%	III

Between 10 and 25% (2)

Between 25 and 50% (3)

Between 50 and 75% (4)

More than 75 % (5)

O Don't know (6)

O Not applicable (7)

_		uch competition from like- nembers, donations and subsid	_	does your organization
	0	No competition (1) Little competition (2) Moderate competition (3) Strong competition (4)		
		Very strong competition (5)		
	next five years, w	existence of an organization is vould you estimate that your	<u> </u>	
		Highly unlikely (1)		
		Unlikely (2) Neither unlikely or likely (3)		
	0	Likely (4)		
		Highly likely <i>(5)</i> Don't know <i>(6)</i>		
		2011 (1411044 (0)		
11. QID08 What	was the annual o	operating budget of your organ	nization in 2015 in Euros	s? [q08]
		Under 10,000 (1)		
		Between 10,000 and 50,000 Between 50,000 and 100,000		
		Between 100,000 and 500,0		
	0	Between 500,000 and 1 milli	on <i>(5)</i>	
		Between 1 million and 5 mill		
		Between 5 million and 10 mi Over 10 million (8)	llion <i>(7)</i>	
		Don't know (9)		
organizatio	_	nancial support from different that came from the various s ful.) (R + W)		·
	Membership su			
	(company, indivorganizational refundational	ridual or nembers) [q09_01]		
	Donations and a [q09_02] (Number	gifts from individuals eric)		
	Contributions fr corporate spons (Numeric)			
	Funding from na [q09_04] (Number	ational governments eric)		

Funding from the European Union (e.g. payments from EU projects or programs) [q09_05] (Numeric)	
Other income generating activities (such as online/crowd funding, services/sales to members, savings/investments etc.) [q09_06] (Numeric)	

Membership to EU or international level organizations

- 13. **QID58** One way of achieving your goals is by becoming a member of a European or international interest organizations or network. Are you member of one or more European / international organizations or networks? [q58]
 - Yes (FILTER3) (1)
 - O No (0)
- 14. **QID59** (FILTER3] Please indicate below the number of European / international organizations or networks of which your organizations is member. **[q59]** (*Numeric*)



15. **QID60** (FILTER3) Please name up to three European / international organizations or networks of which your organization is member and which are most important for you.

ORG1	[q60_01]
(String) (FILTER3a)	
ORG2	[q60_02]
(String) (FILTER3a)	
ORG3	[q60_03]
(String) (FILTER3a)	

16. **QID61** (FILTER3 +FILTER3a) Just as your organization, these European / international organizations or networks need support and resources. How do you support these organizations? Please tick all boxes that apply. (0: No; 1: Yes)

	You pay a membership fee	You provide policy information and expertise	You help them to access policymakers at the national level
(FILTER3a)ORG1	(q61_11)	(q61_12]	C [q61_13]
(FILTER3a)ORG2	C [q61_21]	C [q61_22]	C [q61_23]
(FILTER3a)ORG3	C [q61_31]	C [q61_32]	C [q61_33]

17.	QID62 (FILTER3 +FILTER3a) How would you rate your influence in the decision-making and activities of
	these organizations?

	Not at all influential	Not very influential	Somewhat influential	Very influential
	1	2	3	4
(FILTER3a)ORG1	0	0	0	0
(FILTER3a)ORG2	0	0	0	0
(FILTER3a)ORG3	0	0	0	0

18. **QID63** (FILTER3) In general, how beneficial have these organizations been in performing the following tasks and functions? (R)

	Very beneficial	Somewhat beneficial	Hardly beneficial	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4
They inform you about key European and international political developments [q63_01]	0	0	0	0
They help you (or your members) with providing specific facilities such as judicial advice and access to government agencies or consultancies. [q63_02]	С	0	0	0
They provide your organization with expertise and information . [q63_03]	0	O	0	O
They represent your interests towards Euro-level and international institutions . [q63_04]	0	0	C	C
They bring you in touch with other likeminded interests outside [COUNTRY] . [q63_05]	0	0	0	0

Internal Organization

19.	QID10 Does your organization have any of the following? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R)					
	0 0	A chairperson [q10_01] (0: No; 1: Yes) A secretary general and/or managing director [q10_02] (0: No; 1: Yes) A board of directors or executive committee [q10_03] (0: No; 1: Yes) A written constitution/statutory rules [q10_04] (0: No; 1: Yes) Committees for specific tasks [q10_05] (0: No; 1: Yes) In-house legal experts [q10_06] (0: No; 1: Yes) A general assembly or an annual general meeting [q10_07] (0: No; 1: Yes) Local chapters (FILTER4) [q10_08] (0: No; 1: Yes)				

20. **QID57** (FILTER4] The decision making and actions of the local chapters could reach from fully dependent to completely independent from your organization. How would you describe the relationship with the local chapters? [q57]

0	Dependent (1)
0	Somewhat dependent (2)
	Indonesia (2)

Independent (3)

21. **QID11** Organizations like yours can make decisions in different ways, such as consensus among individual members or board members or by voting procedures. Can you please indicate below how your organization <u>primarily</u> makes decisions in the following areas? (R+W)

	Consensus among members	Voting among the members	Consensus in board	Voting in the board	Senior staff take these decisions	Other	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Budget [q11_01]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hiring staff [q11_02]	0	0	0	O	0	O	0
Appointing board members [q11_03]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appointing the chairperson [q11_04]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Admission of new members [q11_05]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Changes to statutory rules or the constitution, etc. [q11_06]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Establishing your organization's position on policy issues [q11_07]	O	0	O	0	0	0	0
Adopting strategies to influence policymaking process [q11_08]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

22. **QID12** Thinking about your organization's position on public policies, how would you rate the influence of the following actors? (R + W)

	Very influential	Somewhat influential	Not very influential	Not at all influential	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4	5
Donors [q12_01]	0	C	C	0	C
Your membership [q12_02]	0	O	0	0	0
Executive director [q12_03]	0	С	C	0	С
Chair of the board [q12_04]	0	0	0	0	0
The board of directors/executive committee [q12_05]	0	С	C	0	С
Professional staff/colleagues [q12_06]	0	0	0	0	0

Beneficiaries and clients [q12_07]	0	0	0	0	0
Other organizations (civil society, NGOs, business groups) [q12_08]	0	0	О	C	0
Charities and corporate sponsors [q12_09]	O	0	0	0	0
Government sponsors [q12_10]	0	0	0	0	0

23. **QID13** Thinking about your organization's decisions on political strategies, how would you rate the influence of the following actors? (R + W)

	Very influential	Somewhat influential	Not very influential	Not at all influential	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4	5
Donors [q13_01]	0	0	0	0	0
Your membership [q13_02]	0	0	0	0	0
Executive director [q13_03]	0	C	0	0	0
Chair of the board [q13_04]	C	0	0	0	0
The board of directors/executive committee [q13_05]	0	0	0	0	0
Professional staff/colleagues [q13_06]	0	0	0	0	0
Beneficiaries and clients [q13_07]	0	C	C	0	0
Other organizations (civil society, NGOs, business groups) [q13_08]	0	0	0	О	О
Charities and corporate sponsors [q13_09]	0	O	0	0	0
Government sponsors [q13_10]	0	C	O	0	0

Cooperation with other organizations

- 24. **QID15** Does your organization ever collaborate with other organizations in any of the following activities? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R)
 - Funding research [q15_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Fundraising [q15_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Swapping supporter lists [q15_03] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Sharing staff and personnel [q15_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Representing stakeholders on committees, government, advisory bodies, etc.
 [q15_05] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - O Joint statements, such as joint press statements or position papers [q15_06] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Coordinating political strategies [q15_07] (0: No; 1: Yes)

Issue areas and activities

- 25. QID16 Looking at the list below: Which areas is your organization involved in? (W)
 - Migration and asylum policy (FILTER5) [q16_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Economic, fiscal and monetary policy (FILTER5) [q16_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Health policy (FILTER5) [q16_03] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Fight against crime (FILTER5) [q16_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Energy policy (FILTER5) [q16_05] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Education policy (FILTER5) [q16_06] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Gender policy (FILTER5) [q16_07] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Social policy (FILTER5) [q16_08] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Environmental policy (FILTER5) [q16_09] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Consumer protection (FILTER5) [q16 10] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Agricultural policy (FILTER5) [q16_11] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Citizens' rights (FILTER5) [q16_12] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - O Development cooperation policy (FILTER5) [q16 13] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Foreign policy (FILTER5) [q16_14] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - O Defense policy (FILTER5) [q16_15] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - European integration and cooperation (FILTER5) [q16_16] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Scientific research policy (FILTER5) [q16_17] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Regional policy of the EU (FILTER5) [q16_18] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Human rights (FILTER5) [q16_19] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Transport policy (FILTER5) [q16_20] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Cultural policy (FILTER5) [q16_21] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Employment policy (FILTER5) [q16_22] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Other (FILTER5) [q16_23] (0: No; 1: Yes)

26. **QID17** (FILTER5) How involved is your organization in these areas? (W)

	Somewhat involved in	Very involved in
	1	2
(FILTER5) Migration and asylum policy [q17_01]	С	0
(FILTER5)Economic, fiscal and monetary policy [q17_02]	О	0
(FILTER5)Health policy [q17_03]	O	0
(FILTER5)Fight against crime [q17_04]	O	0
(FILTER5)Energy policy [q17_05]	0	0
(FILTER5)Education policy [q17_06]	0	0
(FILTER5)Gender policy [q17_07]	C	C
(FILTER5)Social policy [q17_08]	С	O
(FILTER5)Environmental policy [q17_09]	C	C
(FILTER5)Consumer protection [q17_10]	C	O
(FILTER5)Agricultural policy [q17_11]	C	0
(FILTER5)Citizens' rights [q17_12]	C	0
(FILTER5)Development cooperation policy [q17_13]	O	0
(FILTER5)Foreign policy [q17_14]	0	0
(FILTER5)Defense policy [q17_15]	C	C
(FILTER5) European integration and cooperation [q17_16]	О	O
(FILTER5)Scientific research policy [q17_17]	0	0
(FILTER5) Regional policy of the EU [q17_18]	C	0
(FILTER5)Human rights [q17_19]	C	0
(FILTER5)Transport policy [q17_20]	0	0
(FILTER5)Cultural policy [q17_21]	C	0
(FILTER5)Employment policy [q17_22]	0	0
(FILTER5)Other [q17_23]	С	0

27.	7. QID18 Some organizations like yours use research to inform their positions on public	policy. Does your
	organization normally rely on in-house research or does it pay for research cond	ucted by external
	organizations such as think tanks, universities or consultants? [q18]	

0	Mainly in-house (1)
0	Mainly in-house and some external (2)
0	Roughly equal (3)
0	Mainly external and some in-house (4)
0	Mainly external (5)

Not applicable (6)

Staff

28. **QID21** How many paid staff (full time equivalent), externally paid professionals, interns/trainees or unpaid volunteers work in your organization? Please note the number below.

Paid staff (full time ¹ equivalent)	External professionals [q21_02] (Numeric)	Interns/ trainees [q21_03] (Numeric)	Volunteers [q21_04] (Numeric)
(FILTER6) [q21_01] (Numeric)			

- 29. **QID22** (FILTER6) What are the typical backgrounds of your paid staff members? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R +W)
 - This is their first job [q22_01]² (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked for an NGO, civil society organization, voluntary organization or charity [q22_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked for a business association [q22_03] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked for a company or firm [q22_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked for a ministry or a government agency [q22_05] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked for a political party or party group in the parliament [q22_06] (0: No;1: Yes)
 - Worked for a research institute, think thank or higher education institution [q22_07] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked for an international and or European institution [q22_08] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Worked abroad [q22_09] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - O Don't know [q22_10]³ (0: No; 1: Yes)
- 30. **QID23** (FILTER6) In general, when organizations like yours recruit new staff, they often seek to ensure that the following criteria are met: (a) "an understanding of and a commitment to organizational objectives" and (b) "professional qualification and expertise".

If a candidate does not meet these criteria equally well, which of them do you prioritize? [q23]

- An understanding of and a commitment to organizational objectives (1)
- O Professional qualification and expertise (2)
- O Don't know (3)
- 31. **QID24** (FILTER6) Does your organization engage in any of the following staff development activities? Please tick all boxes that apply.
 - In-house staff training [q24_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
 - Staff takes part in training programs developed by external organizations [q24_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)

¹ Should be possible to add comma's.

² Not randomized

³ Not randomized

	 Staff gains experience by engaging in internships in other organizations (such as firms, government entities, NGOs)[q24_03] (0: No; 1: Yes) Not applicable [q24_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
32.	QID25 (FILTER6) In general, do staff tend to advance their careers through your organization or leave it for positions in other organizations? [q25]
	 Staff tend to progress through our organization (1) Staff tend to leave our organization (FILTER7) (2) Not applicable (3)
33.	QID26 (FILTER6 + FILTER7) If staff leave your organization for positions in other organizations, where do they typically continue their professional career? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R)
	NGO, civil society organization, voluntary organization or charity [q26_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	business association [q26_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	company or firm [q26_03] (0: No; 1: Yes)ministry or a government agency [q26_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	political party or party group in the parliament [q26_05] (0: No; 1: Yes) research institute, think thank or higher education institution [q26_06] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	international and or European institution [q26_07] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	 position abroad [q26_08] (0: No; 1: Yes) Don't know [q26_09]⁵ (0: No; 1: Yes)
	ganizational effectiveness
34.	QID27 Does your organization measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? [q27]
	Yes (FILTER8) (0: No; 1: Yes)No (0: No; 1: Yes)
	○ NO (0. NO, 1. Tes)
35.	QID28 (FILTER8) What indicators does your organization use to measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R)
35.	QID28 (FILTER8) What indicators does your organization use to measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R) The number of supporters [q28_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
35.	QID28 (FILTER8) What indicators does your organization use to measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R) The number of supporters [q28_01] (0: No; 1: Yes) The number of supporters who renew their membership each year
35.	QID28 (FILTER8) What indicators does your organization use to measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R) The number of supporters [q28_01] (0: No; 1: Yes)
35.	QID28 (FILTER8) What indicators does your organization use to measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R) O The number of supporters [q28_01] (0: No; 1: Yes) The number of supporters who renew their membership each year [q28_02] (0: No; 1: Yes) The number of new supporters recruited each year [q28_03] (0: No; 1: Yes) The financial resources of the organization [q28_04] (0: No; 1: Yes) Attracting government subsidies [q28_05] (0: No; 1: Yes) The amount of donations [q28_06] (0: No; 1: Yes)
35.	QID28 (FILTER8) What indicators does your organization use to measure and evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its activities and processes? Please tick all boxes that apply. (R) The number of supporters [q28_01] (0: No; 1: Yes) The number of supporters who renew their membership each year [q28_02] (0: No; 1: Yes) The number of new supporters recruited each year [q28_03] (0: No; 1: Yes) The financial resources of the organization [q28_04] (0: No; 1: Yes) Attracting government subsidies [q28_05] (0: No; 1: Yes)

⁴ If this answer is selected they cannot select other answers.
⁵ Not randomized. If this answer is selected they cannot select other answers.

- C Access to key policymakers [q28_09] (0: No; 1: Yes)
- C Influence on policy outcomes [q28_10] (0: No; 1: Yes)
- Satisfaction of the members [q28_11] (0: No; 1: Yes)

36. QID29 How important are the following political challenges for your organization? (R + W)

	Not at all important	Not very important	Neither important nor unimportant	Important	Very important
	1	2	3	4	5
The Euro currency crisis [q29_01]	0	O	0	0	C
Rising Euro scepticism [q29_02]	0	0	0	0	O
The complexity of the decision-making procedures [q29_03]	О	C	О	C	O
The distance between individual citizens and policymakers [q29_04]	O	0	О	0	0
The economic environment since the 2008 financial crisis [q29_05]	0	c	O	О	C
Threats to our health care system [q29_06]	0	C	0	0	C
Climate change [q29_07]	0	C	C	O	C
The asylum crisis [q29_08]	O	C	C	0	C
Quality of education [q29_09]	0	C	0	0	C
Access of EU citizens to the [COUNTRY] labor market [q29_10]	С	С	О	0	О
Privacy policy [q29_11]	0	C	0	0	C
The competitiveness of [COUNTRY] companies [q29_12]	С	С	0	0	С
Inequality in [COUNTRY] [q29_13]	O	C	C	C	С
Inequality in the world [q29_14]	0	0	0	0	0
Moral-ethical issues such as abortion, gay marriage, euthanasia [q29_15]	O	О	0	0	О
International tensions [q29_16]	0	О	О	0	O

37. QID69 How important are the following challenges for the maintenance of your organization? (R + W)

	Not at all important	Not very important	Neither important nor unimportant	Important	Very important
	1	2	3	4	5
Competition from other organizations [q69_01]	C	0	C	0	C
Aging of constituency [q69_02]	0	0	0	0	0
Legal uncertainties within your areas of interests [q69_03]	O	0	0	0	O
Changing of public opinion about the issues important to your organization [q69_04]	O	O	О	О	O
Individualization [q69_05]	0	0	0	0	0
Changes in media technology (e.g. new social media platforms, ICT) [q69_06]	C	O	O	C	O
Growing cultural diversity [q69_07]	0	0	C	0	C
Other ways of spending free time [q69_08]	0	0	0	0	C
Decreased subsidies and Public funding [q69_09]	0	0	C	0	0
Europeanization/globalization [q69_10]	0	O	O	0	О
Other forms of political participation [q69_11]	0	O	0	0	0

38. **QID30** Thinking generally about all the advocacy/lobbying work your organization undertakes, approximately what percentage of your organization's time is spent at the (sub)-national, national, European or international/global level? Please note that the total should add up to 100%. W (Filter13⁶)

Local [q30_01] ⁷ (Numeric)	
Sub-national [q30_02] (Numeric)	
National [q30_03] (Numeric)	

⁶ Filter next questions if activity = 0

⁷ Add Zero's automatically

European [q30_04] (Numeric)	
International [q30_05] (Numeric)	

39. **QID33** (FILTER13) During the last 12 months, how often has your organization actively sought access to the following <u>national level institutions</u> and agencies in order to influence <u>public policies</u>? Please tick one box in every row. (R+W)

	We did not seek access	At least once	At least once every three months	At least once a month	At least once a week
	1	2	3	4	5
Ministers (including their assistants/cabinets /political appointees) [q33_01]	0	О	0	0	0
Elected members from the majority or governing parties of parliament [q33_02]	О	О	С	0	0
Elected members from minority or opposition parties of parliament [q33_03]	0	O	0	0	C
National civil servants working in the Prime Minister's Office [q33_04]	О	0	0	0	0
National civil servants working in departmental ministries such as agriculture, environment, transport, health, etc. [q33_05]	С	0	0	0	О
National civil servants working for the coordination of EU affairs [q33_06]	О	О	С	0	0
Courts [q33_07]	0	0	0	0	0

40. **QID32** (FILTER13) During the last 12 months, how often has your group actively sought access to members, MPs or officials affiliated with the following parties in the parliament? Please tick one box in every row. (R+W)

	No Contact	At least once	At least once every three months	At least once a month	At least once a week
	1	2	3	4	5
[PARTY] [q32x_01 ⁸]	0	0	0	0	0
[PARTY] [q32x_02]	0	0	0	0	0
[PARTY] [q32x_03]	0	0	0	0	C
[PARTY] [q32x_04]	0	0	0	0	0
[PARTY] [q32x_05]	0	C	0	0	C
[PARTY] [q32x_06]	0	0	0	0	0

41. **QID34** (FILTER13) During the last 12 months, how often has your organization engaged in the following activities to try to affect or influence <u>public policies?</u> Please tick one box in every row. (R+W)

	We did not do this	At least once	At least once every three months	At least once a month	At least once a week
	1	2	3	4	5
Organize press conferences or distribute press releases [q34_01]	0	0	0	0	0
Publish research reports and brochures [q34_02]	0	0	0	0	0
Active involvement in media debates such as giving interviews, editorials, opinion letters [q34_03]	С	0	0	0	0
Place advertisements in newspapers and magazines [q34_04]	0	0	0	0	0
Contact journalists to increase media attention [q34_05]	0	0	0	0	0
Encourage members and supporters to lobby policymakers, participate in a letter-writing campaign or to sign petitions directed at public officials [q34_06]	0	0	0	0	0
Stage protests involving members and supporters (strikes, consumer boycotts, public demonstrations) [q34_07]	O	О	0	О	0
Publish statements and position papers on your own website [q34_08]	О	0	0	0	0

⁸ X should be replaced by country codes.

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Hire commercial consultants (agents who are paid to try to influence policymakers on behalf of your organization) [q34_09]	С	С	0	О	С
Organize a conference of experts and other stakeholders [q34_10]	0	0	0	0	0
Provide support to parliamentarians in their political activities (electoral campaigns) [q34_11]	0	O	O	О	С

42. **QID35** (FILTER13) During the last 12 months, how often has your organization been involved in any of the following activities? Please tick one box in every row. (R+W)

	We did not do this	At least once	At least once every three months	At least once a month	At least once a week
	1	2	3	4	5
Responded to open consultations by the government [q35_01]	C	0	0	0	0
Established coalitions with like-minded organizations [q35_02]	0	0	0	О	О
Served on advisory commissions or boards [q35_03]	О	0	С	С	О
Presenting research or technical information to policymakers [q35_04]	0	0	0	0	0
Networked with groups that have conflicting interests to your organization [q35_05]	0	С	O	О	0

43.	QID36 During the past three years, did your organization initiate or in other ways contribute to legal
	proceedings, in order to claim rights and/or promote your organization's goals? [q36]
	C Yes (FILTER9) (1)

No (2)Do not know (3)

44. **QID37** (FILTER9) Did your organization file these proceedings on its own or as part of a group of applicants? **[q37]**

On its own (1)

As part of a group of applicants (2)

48. QID38 Political ins Thinking about th important the follo	Very wtitutions and actinformation y	what well (4) ell (5) ors seek different your organization	supplies to the	_	•
	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4	5
Technical or scientific information [q38_01]	С	0	О	O	0
Legal information [q38_02]	0	0	0	0	0
Economic information [q38_03]	0	0	С	0	О
An assessment of the societal impact [q38_04]	0	О	C	0	O
An assessment of political support [q38_05]	С	C	С	О	O

45. QID71 (FILTER9) Were these processes initiated in a national or an international/European court?

Other (please specify) [q71_02] (Country-specific).

46. QID64 (FILTER9) Did the issues at stake in these proceedings concern the relationship between

47. QID66 (FILTER9) If the proceedings have already led to rulings, how well would you say that these rulings

National court (1)

O Do not know (4)

O Do not know (3)

Not well at all (1)Not very well (2)

[COUNTRY] and international/European law? [q64]

satisfy the goals of your organization? [q66]

Yes (1)No (2)

O Both has occurred (3)

O International/European court (2)

[q71_01]

49.	QID39 In influencing policy, how do you divide your time between direct strategies, such as contacts with
	politicians and civil servants AND in-direct strategies, such as media coordinating, letter writing, e-mailing
	or social media campaigns, rallies and demonstrations? Please note that the total should add up to 100%.

Direct stra	tegies [q39_0 3	1] (Numeric)	
Indirect (Numeric)	strategies	[q39_02]	

50. **QID40** Interactions between civil society actors and policymakers can be initiated by either side. On average, how often does your organization initiate contact with policymakers and how often do policymakers initiate contact with your organization? Please tick one box in every row.

	Never	At least once	At least once every three months	At least once a month	At least once a week
	1	2	3	4	5
Your organization contacts policymakers [q40_01]	0	0	0	0	0
Policymakers contact your organization [q40_02]	0	0	0	0	0

51. **QID31** During the last 12 months, how often has your group actively sought access to the following EU-level institutions and agencies in order to influence public policies? Please tick one box in every row. (R+W)

	We did not seek access	At least once	At least once every three months	At least once a month	At least once a week
	1	2	3	4	5
Commissioners and their cabinets [q31_01]	0	0	O	0	0
Officials in the DGs of the Commission [q31_02]	O	О	O	О	0
Member-state delegations/Permanent representations in Brussels [q31_03]	O	0	0	0	0
the Council secretariat [q31_04]	C	C	C	C	C
Leadership of EP party groups and/or European party federations [q31_05]	0	О	0	0	0
Other members of the European Parliament [q31_06]	0	0	0	0	С

European regulatory agencies [q31_07]	0	0	0	0	0
EU-level interest groups and civil society organizations [q31_08]	О	О	0	0	0
52. QID41 Policies origination organizations. How imp	C the m C an im C a less	•	organization? EUus. (1) other areas take	J policies are [q	41]
53. QID42 Can you tell us what percentage of your total resources is spent focusing on EU policies? [q42]					
	C Less tha	urces <i>(1)</i> n 10% <i>(2)</i> n 10 and 25% <i>(3)</i>			

54. **QID43** In general, how would you characterize the relationship between your organization and European and national authorities? Please tick one box in each row.

Between 25 and 50% (4)
 Between 50 and 75% (5)
 More than 75 % (6)
 Don't know (7)

	Very co- operative	Moderately co- operative	Moderately conflictual	Very conflictual	Not applicable
	1	2	3	4	5
European authorities [q43_01] National authorities [q43_02]	0	O	0	О	C
	O	O	0	0	0

55. **QID44** How would you rate your organization's influence on public policy compared to that of your allies and opponents?

	More influence	Roughly the same influence	Less influence	We have no allies/ opponents	Don't know
	1	2	3	4	5
Allies [q44_01]	0	0	0	0	0
Opponents [q44_02]	0	0	0	0	0

Personal Background and career information

56.	QID74 Are you being employ	yed by your organization? [q74]
	C	Yes, I am full-time employed for this organization (1)
		Yes, I am part-time employed for this organization (2)
	0	
		(v)
57.	QID45 What is your position,	/job title in your organization? [q45] (R)
	0	Secretary General (1)
		Director (2)
	C	President (3)
	С	Chairman (4)
	С	Board member (5)
	C	Head of office (6)
	С	Project manager/coordinator (7)
	C	Communication manager (8)
	С	Policy officer/advisor (9)
	C	Legal advisor (10)
	C	Administrative officer (11)
	C	Assistant (12)
58.	QID46 How many years hav	e you worked in your organization? [q46]
59.		which areas are you regularly involved in? Please tick all boxes that apply.
		1. Campaigning [q47_01] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		2. Advocacy/lobbying [q47_02] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		3. General administration [q47_03] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		4. Strategic Management [q47_04] (0: No; 1:Yes) 5. Organizational Leadership [q47_05] (0: No: 1:Yes)
		5. Organizational Leadership [q47_05] (0: No; 1:Yes) 6. Membership services [q47_06] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		7. Recruitment of members/supporters [q47_07] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		8. Marketing [q47_08] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		9. Research [q47_09] (0: No; 1:Yes)
		9. Research [447_09] (0. No., 1. res)
If yo	ou indicated more than one,	which one is closest to your function? Please specify a number from the list above. [q47_10] (Numeric)

60.	QID48 What is your career background? Please tick all boxes that apply. [q48]
	 It is my first job [q48_01]⁹ (0: No; 1: Yes) Worked for an NGO, civil society organization, voluntary organization or
	charity [q48_02] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	Worked for a business association [q48_03] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	Worked for a company or firm [q48_04] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	Worked for a ministry or a government agency [q48_05] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	Worked for a political party or party group in the parliament [q48_06] (0: No;1: Yes)
	Worked for a research institute, think thank or higher education institution [q48_07] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	O Worked for an international and or European institution [q48_08] (0: No; 1:
	Yes)
	Worked abroad [q48_09] (0: No; 1: Yes)
	O Don't know [q48_10] 10 (0: No; 1: Yes)
61	QID49 In which year were you born? Format: yyyy [q49] (Numeric)
01.	Qib43 iii wilicii year were you born: Format. yyyy [q43] (Numeric)
62.	QID50 Are you female or male? [q50]
	C Female (1)
	Male (2)
63.	QID51 What is your highest level of education? [q51]
	C Technical vocational training (1)
	Secondary school (typically at 12-18 years of age) (2)
	C Higher education: Bachelor (BA, BSc) (FILTER10) (3)
	Higher education: Master (MA, MPhil, MSc) (FILTER10) (4)
	Higher education: PhD, Doctor (FILTER10) (5)
64.	QID52 (FILTER10) In what field did you obtain your highest degree? [q52]
	C Law (1)
	Social Sciences (2)
	Arts and Humanities (3)
	Business, Management, Finance or Economics (4)
	© Engineering, Computer Science or Mathematics (5)
	Biology, Life Sciences or Environmental Sciences (6)
	Medicine, Pharmacology or Veterinary Sciences (7)
	Chemistry and Material Sciences (8)
	Physics, Astronomy or Planetary Science (9)

 $^{^9}$ Not randomized. If this answer is selected they cannot select other answers. 10 Not randomized. If this answer is selected they cannot select other answers.

General policy positions of your organization

Finally, we have some questions on the policy <u>positions</u> your organizations stands for. These questions do not necessarily relate to your personal view or experience, but they concern the policy your organization usually defends.

65. **QID53** Interest organizations and civil society associations have different views on the role of government in economic matters. Some want government to play an active role in the economy, e.g. through taxation, regulation, government spending or a strong welfare state. Others prefer a reduced economic role for government, e.g. through privatization, lower taxes, less regulation, less government spending, or a leaner welfare state.

On a scale of 0 to 10, where '0' is "of no importance" and '10' is "of great importance", how important would you say the role of government in the economy is to your organization in its lobbying and advocacy activities? [q53]

no importance 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 very important

[FILTER12: if 0 salience move to QID 55]

66. [FILTER12] **QID54** Next, we would like you to think about the goals of your organization in relation to the role of government in economic matters. On a scale from 0 to 10, where '0' means that government should play a much reduced role in the economy and '10' means that government should play a very active role in the economy, where would you position your organization on this scale? **[q54]**

reduced role 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 active role

67. **QID55** Interest organizations and civil society associations have different views on personal freedoms and rights. Some support greater personal freedom, e.g., access to abortion, euthanasia, same-sex marriage, or greater democratic participation (libertarian views). Others reject these ideas; they value order, tradition, and stability, and believe that the government should be a firm moral authority on social and cultural issues (traditional views).

On a scale of 0 to 10, where '0' is "of no importance" and '10' is "of great importance", how important would you say are social, moral and cultural issues of this kind to your organization in its lobbying and advocacy activities? [q55]

no importance 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 very important

[FILTER12: if 0 salience skip QID56]

68. [FILTER12] **QID56** Next, we would like you to think about the goals of your organization in relation to social, moral and cultural issues of this kind. On a scale from 0 to 10, where '0' means "libertarian" and '10' means "traditional", where would you position your organization on this scale? [q56]

Libertarian 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 traditional

Thank you very much for your participation in this survey!

Do you have any questions, remarks or are some issues have been left untouched? Below we provide you with the opportunity to elobarate. All comments and suggestions are welcome and are very useful to us. [q105]

Your answers are important for our academic research. All your answers will be treated confidentially. Once we are finished with the survey, you will get a short summary of the main findings. Updates about the project will be regularly posted on XXX. As a small token of our gratitude we will donate XX to XXX.