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Name of interviewer:	
Date of interview:	
Interviewee:	
Organisation:	

I. Action forms: General action repertoire

- 1 We would like to start this interview with a few questions about the **action repertoire** of your organisation. Organisations such as yours use many different techniques to try to influence public policy **in the European Union**. We have sent you *a list containing different techniques* which are used by such organisations. Please, tell me *which techniques* on this list *you use*, and whether you use it *regularly or occasionally*. (Just use the numbers of the different techniques for answering)

Action form (State actors)		<i>EU Q1</i>		<i>Member State Q2</i>	
		<i>Reg</i>	<i>Occ</i>	<i>Reg</i>	<i>Occ</i>
<i>B. Media-related</i>					
1	giving interviews to the media	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	writing newspaper articles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	distribution of press releases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	holding press conferences to announce policy positions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	presenting yourself on the Web	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>C. Informing the public/getting informed about the public</i>					
6	making public speeches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	hiring a public relations firm to assist in your political activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	running advertisements in the media about your positions on policy issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	polling the general public on policy issues of concern to you	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>E. Negotiating with or informing policy-makers</i>					
10	negotiating with or informing branches of government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	negotiating with or informing members of Parliament	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	negotiating with or informing interest groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>F. Consultation</i>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	participating in governmental consultation procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	serving on governmental advisory commissions or boards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	testifying in parliamentary committees or intervening in Parl.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>G. court-action</i>					
16	filing suit or engaging in some sort of litigation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action form (Non-state actors)		<i>EU Q1</i>		<i>Member State Q2</i>	
		<i>Reg</i>	<i>Occ</i>	<i>Reg</i>	<i>Occ</i>
<i>A. Contributing to political campaigns</i>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1	making financial contributions to electoral campaigns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	making public endorsements of candidates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	contributing to other political campaigns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>B. Media-related</i>					
4	giving interviews to the media	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	writing newspaper articles	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	distribution of press releases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	holding press conferences to announce policy positions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	presenting yourself on the Web	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>C. Informing the public/getting informed about the public</i>					
9	making public speeches	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	hiring a public relations firm to assist in your political activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	running advertisements in the media about your positions on policy issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	polling the general public on policy issues of concern to you	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	polling your members on policy issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>D. Mobilizing the public</i>					
14	engaging in direct mail fund-raising for your organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	organizing letter campaigns in newspapers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	organizing petitions/signature collections	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	launching/supporting referendum campaigns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	holding public assemblies and meetings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	protesting or demonstrating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20	organizing boycotts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21	striking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>E. contacting/lobbying</i>					
22	direct personal contact with members of Parl. or their staffs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23	direct personal contact with members of govt or their staffs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24	direct personal contact with public officials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>F. consultation and cooperation</i>					
25	participating in governmental consultation procedures	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26	serving on governmental advisory commissions or boards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27	testifying in parliamentary committees or intervening in Parl.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
28	supplying information to policymakers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>G. court-action</i>					
29	filing suit or engaging in some sort of litigation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. Do you use any of these techniques **at the national level (member and candidate member states)**?

- yes: please go through the list once again
- no

3. How important are **media-related strategies** (B IN THE LIST OF ACTION FORMS) for (ORGNAME) compared to working with policy-makers (E/F IN THE LIST)?

- much more important
- more important
- less important
- much less important

Please, elaborate:

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4. How important are **strategies directly informing (FOR NON-STATE ACTORS: and mobilizing) the public** (C/D IN THE LIST OF ACTION FORMS) for (ORGNAME) compared to working with policy-makers?

- much more important
- more important
- less important
- much less important

Please, elaborate:

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II. Media

5. We have also sent you a list with **daily newspapers**: please, tell me which of these media do you see as **particularly important in covering European integration**?

- 1. Abc
- 2. Algemeen Dagblad
- 3. Cinco Días
- 4. Corriere della Sera
- 5. Les Echos
- 6. The Economist
- 7. European Voice
- 8. Le Figaro
- 9. Financial Times Europe
- 10. Financieel Dagblad
- 11. Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung
- 12. Guardian
- 13. Handelsblatt
- 14. International Herald Tribune
- 15. Le Monde
- 16. Le Monde Diplomatique
- 17. Neue Zürcher Zeitung
- 18. El País
- 19. La Repubblica
- 20. Le Soir
- 21. Il Sole 24 ore
- 22. Süddeutsche Zeitung
- 23. Le Temps
- 24. The Times
- 25. De Volkskrant
- 26. Other papers: i.e.

6a. And which are **the three most influential papers** in European integration policy?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

6b. And which one among these three would you put in **first place**?

- 1.

7a. Among the different **media types** on the list below, which are the three most influential in European integration policy?

- a. Quality papers in European countries
- b. Tabloids and yellow press in European countries
- c. News magazines in European countries
- d. Public TV and radio in European countries
- e. Private TV and radio in European countries
- f. Internet

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

7b. And which one among these three would you put in **first place**?

- 1.

8. How are the relations of (ORGNAME) with **journalists at the European level**?

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9. How are the relations of (ORGNAME) with **journalists at the national level (member and candidate member states)**?

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10. (IF NOT ALREADY CLEAR FROM Q9/Q10) Does (ORGNAME) sometimes have

- (NON-STATE ACTORS) **problems with access to the media?**
- (STATE ACTORS) **difficulties in its relations with the media?**

no

yes, please elaborate:

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11. (QUESTION USING WP2-RESULTS) Our analysis of the media coverage of European integration over the last few years has shown (ORGNAME) to be (very prominent/not at all prominent: based on % of all claims in the field) in the press.
How would you comment these results in the light of what you have just said?

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12. For (ORGNAME), is the **Internet** just another way of presenting itself publicly, or has it affected the way in which you communicate with policy-makers, the media or your members/supporters more substantially?

- just another way of presenting oneself
- has affected the way of communication

if affected, please elaborate:
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III. Issue-specific influence

We have tried to establish a **list of the organisations** which play a role in European integration. You have also received a copy of this list.

13. Could you first name **all organisations** on this list, which, from your point of view, have been **particularly influential in European integration** over the past few years. You may also mention your own organisation.

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Eur. Comm: DG Regio/Instit.Reform	<input type="checkbox"/> 21 EDD
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Eur. Comm: other DGs	<input type="checkbox"/> 22 ELDR
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 ECJ (European Court of Justice)	<input type="checkbox"/> 23 UNICE (Eur. Industrial/Employers' Conf.)
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 Convention on the Future of Europe	<input type="checkbox"/> 24 ETUC (Eur. Trade Union Confederation)
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 Council of Ministers	<input type="checkbox"/> 25 ERT (Eur. Round Table of Industrialists)
<input type="checkbox"/> 6 European Council	<input type="checkbox"/> 26 BEUC (Eur. Consumers Organisation)
<input type="checkbox"/> 7 CoR (Committee of the Regions)	<input type="checkbox"/> 27 Eurochambers
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 CEMR (Eur. Municipalities/Regions)	<input type="checkbox"/> 28 TEAM (EU-critical Movements)
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 German Government	<input type="checkbox"/> 29 UEF (Union of European Federalists)
<input type="checkbox"/> 10 French Government	<input type="checkbox"/> 30 European Movement
<input type="checkbox"/> 11 British Government	<input type="checkbox"/> 31 European Policy Centre
<input type="checkbox"/> 12 Italian Government	<input type="checkbox"/> 32 Eur. Episcopal Conference/Cath.Church
<input type="checkbox"/> 13 other EU-Member State Govs	<input type="checkbox"/> 33 CEC (Conf. of European Churches)
<input type="checkbox"/> 14 EU-Candidate Country Govs	<input type="checkbox"/> 34 European Environmental groups
<input type="checkbox"/> 15 European Parliament	<input type="checkbox"/> 35 European Human Rights Groups
<input type="checkbox"/> 16 COSAC (EU affairs Committees/EP)	<input type="checkbox"/> 36 Eur. Anti-racism/immigration groups
<input type="checkbox"/> 17 national parliaments	<input type="checkbox"/> 37 Platform of European Social NGOs
<input type="checkbox"/> 18 PPE-ED	<input type="checkbox"/> 38 Newropeans
<input type="checkbox"/> 19 PES	<input type="checkbox"/> 39 Young European Federalists
<input type="checkbox"/> 20 Greens/EFA	<input type="checkbox"/> 40 ECAS (European Citizen Action Service)

14. Are there **other influential organisations** in European integration which you do not find on this list?

no

yes: which are they?

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15. Among the organisations you have mentioned now, which are **the three most influential organisations** in European integration?

1.

2.

3.

16. And which one among these three would you put in **first place**?

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IV. Relations with other actors

17. Which organisations on this list has (ORGNAME) **tried to influence** over the last five years? Please use the numbers on the list for your answers.

18. Are there any **other targets** (not on the list) which you tried to influence in recent years?

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....
- 5.....
- 6.....

19. To which **three government agencies, committees, or officials** do you devote most of your resources in influencing European integration policy?

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....

20. Now look at the list once again. With which organisations on the list has (ORGNAME) **closely collaborated** over the last five years?

21. Are there any **other organisations** with whom you have **closely collaborated** in recent years?

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....
- 5.....
- 6.....

22. Please, look at the list one more time: with which of these organisations did you have **some major disagreements** over the last five years?

List of organisations

		tried to influence Q17	Closely collaborated Q20	Disagreements Q22
1	Eur. Commission: DG Regional Policy/ Instit. Reform	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Eur. Commission: other DGs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	ECJ (European Court of Justice)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4	Convention on the Future of Europe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Council of Ministers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	European Council	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7	CoR (Committee of the Regions)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8	CEMR (Council of Eur. Municipalities and Regions)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9	German Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	French Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11	British Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12	Italian Government	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13	other EU-Member State Governments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14	EU-Candidate Country Governments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15	European Parliament	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16	COSAC (Eur. Affairs Committees of nat. Parliaments)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17	national parliaments	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18	PPE-ED (Eur. People's Party / Eur. Democrats Group)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19	PES (Group of the Party of European Socialists)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20	Greens/EFA (Greens/European Free Alliance Group)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21	EDD (Europe of Democracies and Diversities Group)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22	ELDR (Eur. Liberal, Democrat and Reform Party Group)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23	UNICE (Union of Industrial/Employers' Conf. of Europe)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24	ETUC (European Trade Union Confederation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
25	ERT (European Round Table of Industrialists)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26	BEUC (European Consumers Organisation)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27	Eurochambers (Chambers of Commerce and Industry)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
28	TEAM (European Alliance of EU-critical Movements)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
29	UEF (Union of European Federalists)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
30	European Movement, International Secretariat	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
31	European Policy Centre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
32	Eur. Episcopal Conference (incl. Cath.Church Pope)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
33	CEC (Conference of European Churches)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
34	European Environmental groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
35	European Human Rights Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
36	European Anti-racism/immigration groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
37	The Platform of European Social NGOs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
38	Newropeans	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
39	Young European Federalists	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
40	ECAS (European Citizen Action Service)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

23. Are there any **other organisations** with whom you have had **major disagreements** in recent years?

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....
- 5.....
- 6.....

V. Issue-specific interest: the Convention on institutional reform

26. Now we would like to ask you some questions about **the Convention on institutional reform**, a European integration issue of particular interest to us. Could you please describe the **general position** of (ORGNAME) on the Convention on institutional reform in a few words?

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27/39. **How involved** has (ORGNAME) been in the issue of the Convention on institutional reform over the last five years?

- a lot
- somewhat (enough)
- somewhat (but not enough)
- not at all

*if somewhat, but not enough or not at all: what were the **reasons for this lack of involvement?***

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28. (IF YES in Q27): Was (ORGNAME) **involved in the development of the policy options** about the Convention on institutional reform?

- yes
- no (GO TO Q30)

if yes, please, elaborate:

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29. (IF NOT YET CLEAR) Which **level of political decision making** did (ORGNAME) try to influence? (SEVERAL CHOICES POSSIBLE)

- European
- other countries
- national, own country
- regional
- local

30. Did (ORGNAME) undertake specific **actions in the parliamentary or administrative arenas** on this issue?

- yes
- no (GO TO Q32)

if yes: Could you please mention **the three most important ones**?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

31. (FOR EACH ACTION MENTIONED): How would you rate **the effectiveness** of this action?

	Action 1	Action 2	Action 3
very effective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
rather effective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
rather ineffective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
very ineffective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please, elaborate:

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32. Did (ORGNAME)

- (NON-STATE ACTORS) undertake specific **actions for informing or mobilizing the public** on this issue?
- (STATE ACTORS) make attempts to communicate with **the public** on this issue?
 - yes
 - no (GO TO Q34)

if yes: Could you please mention **the three most important ones**?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

33. (FOR EACH ACTION MENTIONED): How would you rate **the effectiveness** of this action?

	Action 1	Action 2	Action 3
very effective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
rather effective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
rather ineffective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
very ineffective	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please, elaborate:

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34. Two final questions about **the Convention on institutional reform**: Do you think the public finds this issue:

- very important
- rather important
- rather unimportant
- very unimportant

35. Do you think (ORNAME) takes a position on the Convention on institutional reform that **the majority of the public** agrees with, or do you think a majority of the public disagrees with your position on this issue?

- a majority agrees
- the public is evenly divided on this policy
- a majority disagrees
- don't know
- public doesn't know our position

if so desired, please elaborate:

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VI. Role of EU

To conclude our interview, we would like to ask you a few questions concerning **European integration**.

45. Do you think that the relevance of the European integration process is **adequately reflected in the mass media**? Do you think that the media represent this process

as more important than it really is (over-representation)

as important as it is

as less important than it is (under-representation)

if more/less important: Why do you think this is so? Is this likely to change in the near future? What would have to change to get a more adequate representation of the EU in the media?

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46. Does the process of European integration **contribute to European**

	yes	partly	no
- peace & security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- political stability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- economic growth	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- economic competitiveness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- environmental protection	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
- social equality	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

47. We would like to conclude this interview with a more general question about the EU: **how do you perceive the process of European integration more generally?** What *direction* is it taking?

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Do you *agree* with this development? And how do you see *the role and performance of EU institutions* in this context?

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48. We are now at the end of our interview. Is there **anything you would like to add** to what we have discussed?

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49. Are there **any persons** you would suggest for us to meet for additional interviews on this subject matter?

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50. Do you want to get a **summary of the results** of this project?
 no
 yes: where should we send them to?

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On behalf of the whole project team, I would like to thank you very much for your cooperation!