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**Interview questionnaire for interviews with collective actors in claims-making and political mobilisation – EU integration**

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## I. Action forms: General action repertoire

- 1 We would like to start this interview with a few questions about the **action repertoire** of your organization. Organizations such as yours use many different techniques to try to influence public policy **in Switzerland**. We have sent you *a list containing different techniques* which are used by such organizations. 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)

| <b>Action form (State actors)</b>                                |   | <i>Nat. Q1</i>           |                          | <i>EU 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>   |   |                          |                          |                          |                          |
| 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"/> |

| <b>Action form (Non-state actors)</b>                            |   | <i>Nat. Q1</i>           |                          | <i>EU Q2</i>             |                          |
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|  |   | <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 organization                | <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 European level**?

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

3. How important are **media-related strategies** (A IN THE LIST OF ACTION FORMS) for (ORGNOME) 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 (ORGNOME) 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 different **media organizations**: please, tell me which of these media do you see as **particularly important in covering European integration** ?

- 1. NZZ
- 2. Le Temps
- 3. Blick
- 4. other Swiss quality papers: i.e.....
- 5. Regional and local press in Switzerland: i.e. ....
- 6. swiss news magazines: i.e.....
- 7. Public TV and radio in Switzerland: i.e.....
- 8. Private TV and radio in Switzerland: i.e.....
- 9. Press in other European countries:i.e.....
- 10. economic and financial press: .....
- others: .....

Please, elaborate: .....  
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6. And which are **the three most influential media** in European integration?

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

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

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

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

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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 organizations** which play a role in European integration. You have also received a copy of this list.

13. Could you first name **all organizations** 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 organization.

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|----|--|--------------------------|----|--|--------------------------|
| 1  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 21 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 22 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 23 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 24 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 25 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 26 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 27 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 28 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9  |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 29 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 30 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 31 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 32 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 33 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 34 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 35 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 36 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 37 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 38 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 19 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 39 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> | 40 |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

no

yes: which are they? .....

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15. Among the organizations you have mentioned now, which are **the three most influential organizations** 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 organizations 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 organizations on the list has (ORGNAME) **closely collaborated** over the last five years?

21. Are there any **other organizations** 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 organizations did you have **some major disagreements** over the last five years?

*List of organizations*

|    |  | tried to influence<br>Q17 | Closely collaborated<br>Q20 | Disagreements<br>Q22     |
|----|--|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9  |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 14 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 19 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 21 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 22 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 23 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 26 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 27 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 28 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 29 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 30 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 31 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 32 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 33 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 34 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 35 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 37 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 38 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 39 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 40 |  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | <input type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

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

24. (ONLY FOR NON-STATE ACTORS) Does (ORGNAME) belong to one or more **international organization or association**?

- no
- yes: please give the name of each organization

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....

25. (ONLY FOR NON-STATE ACTORS) Does (ORGNAME) maintain regular contact with **similar organizations in other countries**?

- no
- yes: please give the name of the most important ones

- 1.....
- 2.....
- 3.....
- 4.....

**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. Was (ORGNAME) **actively involved** in the issue of the Convention on institutional reform over the last five years?

- yes
- no (GO TO Q34)

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 (ORGNAME) 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**.

36. What *impact* did your country have on **European integration** in general?

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37. And on **the Convention on institutional reform** in particular?

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38. And what has been the *impact* of the EU **on the situation of** (ORGNAME)?

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39. And *how involved* has (ORGNAME) been in the process of **European integration**?

- 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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40. (ONLY FOR NON-STATE ACTORS) **How important** would you say is the **European level** for (ORGNAME) **compared** to the **national level today**?

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

41. (ONLY FOR NATIONAL ACTORS): And thinking about the **role of the European level** for (ORGNAME) **relative to** the **national level**: is its role becoming increasingly important compared to the national level, less important compared to the national level, or does it not change at all?

- increasingly important
- unchanging
- less important

Please, elaborate: .....  
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42. (QUESTION USING WP2-RESULTS) Our analysis of the media coverage of European integration over the last few years has shown that (ORGNAME) mainly operates at the ..... (national/European level: BASED ON ISSCOP) .....

**How would you comment these results in the light of what you have just said?**

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43. *Thinking about the future now:* what **impact** do you **expect European integration in general**, and more specifically **the Convention on institutional reform**, to have over the years to come?

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44. Is (ORGNAME) generally **in favor of an increasing** European integration or is it against it? (IF NOT CLEAR: PROMPT: rather or strongly (in favor/against))

- strongly in favor
- rather in favor
- rather against
- strongly against

Please, elaborate: .....

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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 the European integration 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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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!**