

**Support for International Development in Former Communist Countries of the European Union –
Reconstructing Political Culture**

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Interviews are being conducted - please do not quote

Interview guide (elites)

- Please tell me at what stages of formulation/implementation of ODA you have taken part
- Is it important to help people in developing countries? If so, why? (Eurobarom)(survey shows that younger people and people with high socioeconomic status favor this attitude)
- Is there added value in EU countries working together to help developing countries? (Or a rather bilateral approach is better/more efficient/efficacious?)(Eurobarom)(most survey respondents believe in this)
- What is it that YOU can do to help people in developing countries? (open question, if it does not work out, then offer answering options: volunteer in an organization in charge with this, giving money, etc.)
- What are the most pressing/important problems that developing countries face?
- What do you know about the Millenium Development Goals?

(Do you know the percentage of GDP that your country promised to give in international aid according to EU agreements? (re-word!!!))

- Who should decide over international aid? (The nation state? Large international organizations? EU? UN? WB? US?) (Eurobarom)
- Why should your country get involved in international aid? (moral/civic duty, ensure peace and stability, strategic reasons, international solidarity, etc.)
- What area of the world (geographical) should we concentrate efforts in international development?
- Do you think economic or military power is more important in today's world affairs? (Transatlantic Trends)
- Do you think that under certain conditions war is necessary to obtain justice? (Transatlantic Trends)
- Do you think people are better off in a market economy? (Transatlantic Trends)

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- Do you think that the government has an essential role to play in regulating the market? (Transatlantic Trends)
- In politics, people sometimes talk of 'left' and 'right'. Where would you place yourself on a scale from 1 to 7 where '1' means the extreme left and '7' means the extreme right? (Transatlantic Trends)
- Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted or that you need to be very careful in dealing with people (WVS)
- Talking about the aims of your country, which one you think is more important? (a high level of economic growth, making sure this country has strong defense forces, seeing that people have more say about how things are done at their jobs and in their communities, trying to make our cities and countryside more beautiful) (WVS)
- What is most important? (maintaining order in the nation, giving people more say in important government decisions, fighting raising prices, protecting freedom of speech)
- Is it important to you to (think up new ideas and be creative and do things one's own way, to be rich, have a lot of money and expensive things, living in secure surroundings and avoid dangerous things, to have a good time/to spoil oneself, to help people nearby/care for their well-being, being very successful/recognized, adventure and risks are important/exciting life, behave properly/avoid people saying it is wrong, looking after the environment/nature, tradition is important/customs transmitted through religion/family,
- What do you choose economic growth or environment?

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- What is the most important problem in the world? (people living in poverty and need, discrimination against girls and women, poor sanitation and infectious diseases, inadequate education, environmental pollution)
- What is the most important problem in your country? (people living in poverty and need, discrimination against girls and women, poor sanitation and infectious diseases, inadequate education, environmental pollution)
- For the following international problems, please tell me who should decide? (national governments, regional organizations (EU), the UN) (peacekeeping, protection of the environment, aid to developing countries, refugees, human rights).