IMAGINE EUROPE

Incentives for Measuring and Assessing the Growing and Increasing Notion of Euroscepticism in Europe

- Regarding the question "What does the EU mean to your personally?" the most chosen answers were Democracy; Peace; Freedom to travel, study and work anywhere in EU; Migration; and Economic prosperity;
- This underlines an overall positive attitude towards EU with no strong negative feelings on average and no strong opposition to its core values.

 Regarding the question "EU is too boreaucratic?" over 65% replied "Neither agree, nor disagree". This could be explained by a lack of real experience with the EU institutions or lack of information on how they actually work.

- Regarding the question "I know that the boreaucracy is like this from... " over 80% replied "...the news (TV, radio, Newspaper, Newsportals)".
- "...friends, family and/or colleagues"; "...social media (Facebook, twiter, blogs, etc)"; and "...my personal experience with EU addministration" were the other answers.

 Regarding the question "EU costs too much money" over 70% replied "Neither agree, nor disagree". Again, this could be explained by a lack of real experience with the EU institutions or lack of information on how they actually work.

 Regarding the question "I know that EU costs too much money and I agree to..." over 65% replied "I don't know if the EU financed or co-financed anything in my country".

"I know what was financed or co-financed by EU in my country" was chosen only by over 25%.

- Regarding the question "EU belongs to my identity." over 33% replied "I agree"
- Over 28% chose the option "Neither agree, nor disagree" and over 26% chose "I do not agree".
- Opinions are scatered here, demonstrated a polarisation between identifying as EU or not.

- Regarding the question "I know that EU belongs to my identity and I agree to..." over 45% replied "I believe in Europe"
- Over 39% chose the option "The EU plays no role in my everyday life".
- There is no contradiction here, supporting the view that altough swedes view
 Europe as positive, they do not feel their presence too strongly.

- Regarding the question "European values, e.g. humanism, and mobility of people are important to me." over 40% replied "I agree"
- Over 33% chose the option "Neither agree, nor disagreee".
- Again, Swedes show no opposition to EU core values.

- Regarding the question "European values, e.g. humanism, and mobility of people are important to me." over 40% replied "I agree"
- Over 33% chose the option "Neither agree, nor disagreee".
- Again, Swedes show no opposition to EU core values.

- Regarding the question "European values of people are important to me and I agree to..." over 70% replied "I enjoy the possibility to travel in EU"
- Over 42% chose the option "Without EU my country would handle the topics of refugees and migration even worse"; and over 30% chose the option "Too many poeple come to work/study in my country"
- On this topic, Swedes see both positives and negatives, but mostly went to the mobility issues. Migration and mobility of people seem to be the main concern.

- Regarding the question "I want to have more opportunities for my democratic participation in Europe..." over 67% replied "Neither agree, nor disagree"
- Over 23% chose the option "I agree"
- Again, there are no negative feelings towards democratic participation.
 Nonetheless, Swedes show no strong opinion on the subject.

- Regarding the question "I want to have opportunity for my democratic participation in Europe and I agree..." over 31% replied "Participation is useless"
- Over 25% chose the option "...by my own civil society engagement"; over 24% chose the option "...through better parties to vote for in my country"; and over 19% chose the option "...through better parties to vote for in the European Parliament".
- We believe the question was misleading, as there was no neutral choice.
 Nonetheless, options were scatered.

- Regarding the question "What should be the focus of EU polices and I agree to..." over 70% replied "...that the EU market is good for my country"
- Over 42% chose the option "EU should care more about social questions than about economical ones in my country"
- Swedes show a strong acceptance of EU market as a positive. On a secondary note, they also show a willingness to fix social issues on the EU space.

- Regarding the question "EU has grown too big." over 50% replied "Neither agree, nor disagree"
- Over 31% chose the option "I do not agree"
- Swedes show no issues with the growth of EU.

- Regarding the question "EU has grown too big and I agree that..." over 53% replied "EU Should be as it is"
- Over 39% chose the option "EU shall include some new countries"
- Again, Swedes show no issues with the growth of EU and are open for new countries.