# SURVEY ON « THE RIGHTS OF THE EUROPEAN UNION CITIZENS »

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Lifelong Learning Programme

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The objective of the survey was to raise awareness between an adult public regarding European citizenship in Germany, Spain, France and Netherlands

#### **RESULTS OF THE SURVEY**

Number of records in this query : 208

Completed records : 155

Incompleted records : 53

### **PROFILE PARTICIPANTS**

AGE	Number of participants
16-25	83
26-35	39
36-45	40
46-60	30
61+	11
No answer	2
GENDER	Number of participants
Female	90
Male	130
Transgender / Gender non normative	6

NATIONALITY	Number of participants
Netherlands	68
France	64
Spain	41
Germany	4
Ireland; Italy; Bulgary	2
Austria; Estonia; Belgium; Luxembourg; Poland; United Kingdom; Sweeden	1
Other	6

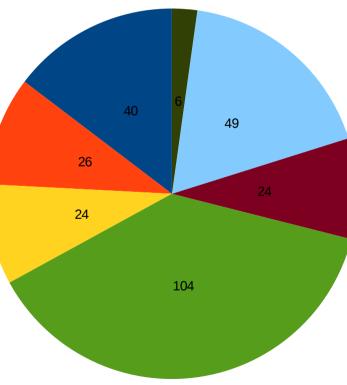
#### **PROFILE PARTICIPANTS**

LEVEL OF EDUCATION	Number of participants	FIELD STUDIES	Number of participants
		Social Sciences	23
Without studies	3	Humanities	16
Primary education 9	9	Languages	13
		Business/Economy	7
Secondary education	22	Education/Teaching	23
	40	Engineering	23
Vocational training	48	Administration/ Management	12
Degree 59	J. J	F.2	
	Communication	53	
Master 52	Health/ Medicine	6	
	Physical Sciences	4	
PHD	2	Arts	7
Other 4	Δ	Other	5
	No Studies	4	

#### **PROFILE PARTICIPANTS**

Social- professional category	Number of participants
Self employed	11
Manager	17
Other white collar	65
Manual worker	6
House person	7
Unemployed	7
Retired	6
Student	75

Which of the following propositions correspond to your situation?



Number of participants

- I have already resided in a EU member state other than my state of origin
- I currently reside in a EU member state other than my state of origin
- I have already worked in a EU member state other than my state of origin
- I have already traveled in a EU member state other than my state of origin
- I have already studied in a EU member state other than my state of origin
- I have never done any of the above propositions
- Other

## FREE MOVEMENTS RIGHTS

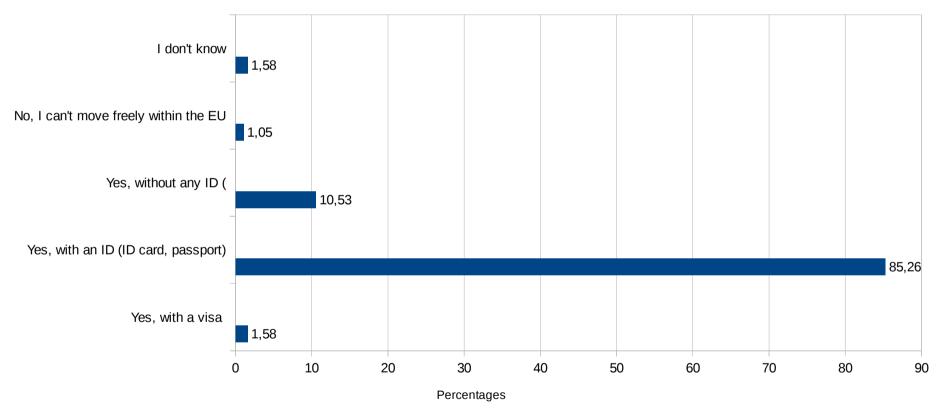
With only a passport or a valid dentity card, EU citizens can :

- move freely
- reside
- work
- study
- do an internship
- retire

in a EU member state

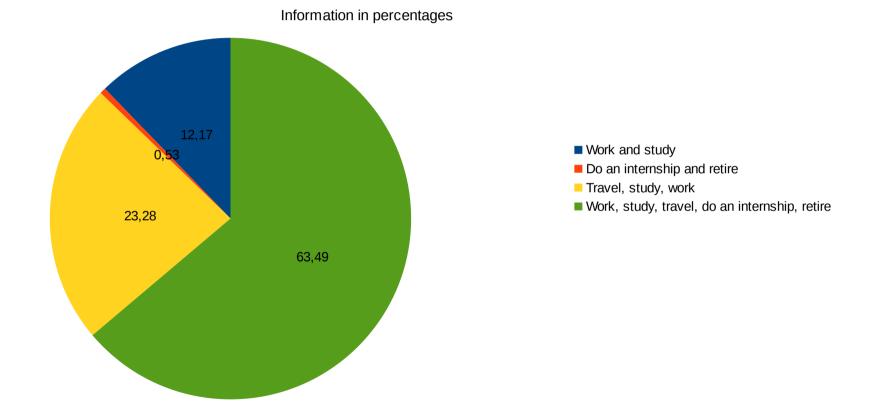
#### FREE MOVEMENTS RIGHTS

I am a citizen of a EU member state, may I move freely within the European Union?



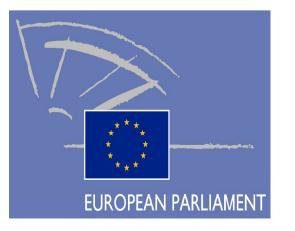
#### FREE MOVEMENTS RIGHTS

I am a citizen of a EU member state and wish to spend one year in another EU country. What may I do in that state ?



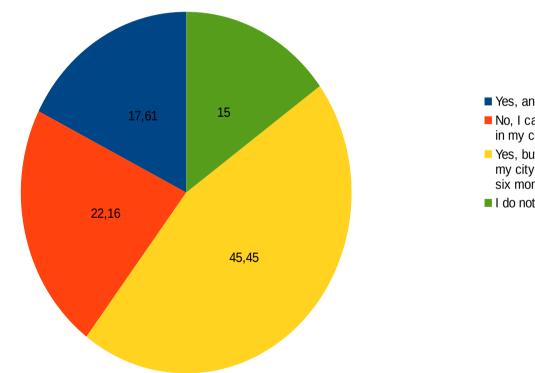
## **POLITICAL RIGHTS**

- The right to vote and stand as a candidate in the municipal elections, if he/she has resided in a EU member state other than his/her own country, for over 6 months and if he/she meets the national condition
- The right to vote and stand as a candidate in the European parliament elections, whether he/she is in his/her state of origin or in another EU member state



## **POLITICAL RIGHTS**

I am a citizen of a EU member state and I am living in another one. May I vote or run in the municipal elections in my city of residence?



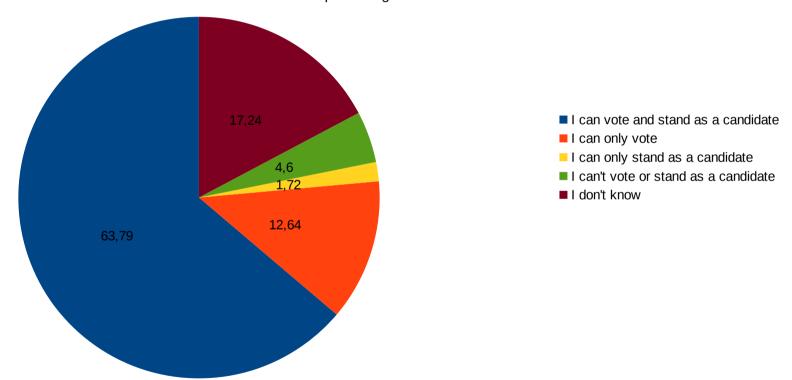
Information in percentages

- Yes, and I can also vote in my city of origin
- No, I can only vote for the presidential elections in my country of residence
- Yes, but I must register on the electoral roll of my city of residence and live there for more than six months

I do not know

#### **POLITICAL RIGHTS**

I am a citizen of a EU member state, may I vote or stand as a candidate for the EU Parliament elections ?



Information in percentages

#### SOCIAL RIGHTS

If you need medical treatment while you are in another EU country, presenting your European Health Insurance Card can simplify payment and reimbursement procedures.

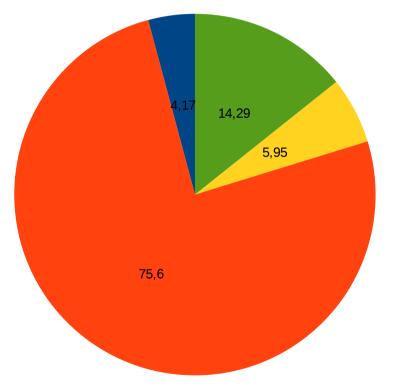
With this card you can get healthcare - and claim reimbursement for the costs you incur on the same terms as nationals of the country you are in.



#### SOCIAL RIGHTS

I am a EU citizen and I am traveling to another member state. I must seek medical attention

What are my rights when it comes to health coverage ? (Information in percentages)



- Nothing, I have to cover all of the costs
- With my European Health Insurance Card, I can go to the doctor -and ask for the refund of the expenses- in the same conditions than the nationals of the country where I am
- The European Social Security System covers all of the costs
- I do not know

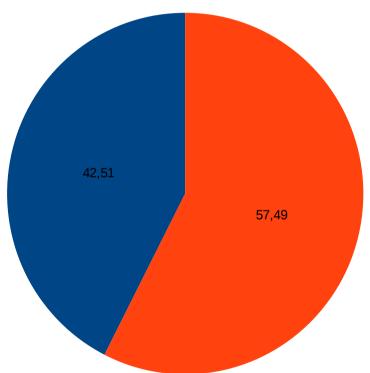
## **CONSUMER RIGHTS**

The EU attempts to protect the consumers against disloyal commercial practices by:

- allowing them to cancel a purchase within 14 days
- forbidding misleading advertisements
- by forcing manufacturers to give more information

#### **CONSUMER RIGHTS**

When you use your cell phone to call while you are in another EU member state than your own, you pay 19 cents per minute



Did you know this is because of your european right on consumer protection ? (Information in percentages)



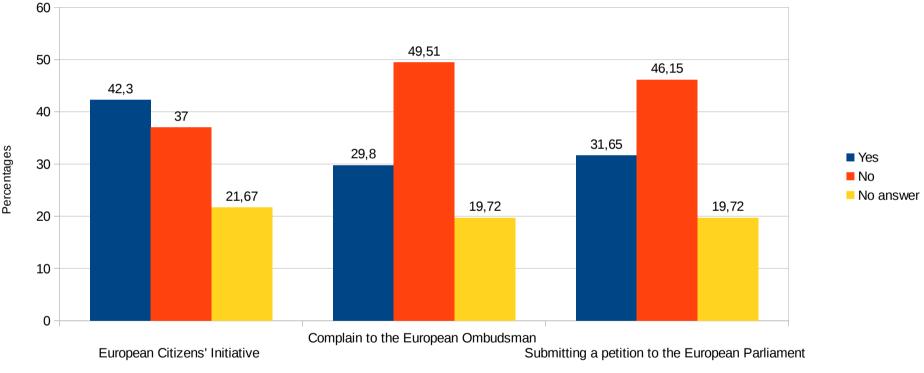
## RIGHTS RELATED TO EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

The EU citizen has the right to :

- Complain to the European Ombudsman if he/she believes there was an abuse of power, discrimination, a failure to reply, unfairness or even a refusal of information from a EU institution
- Call on the European Commission for making a legislative proposal through the European Citizens' Initiative.
- Submit a petition to the European Parliament to make either a complaint or a request.

#### RIGHTS RELATED TO EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS

Do you know you can get in contact with the following EU institutions?



EU institutions

### CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

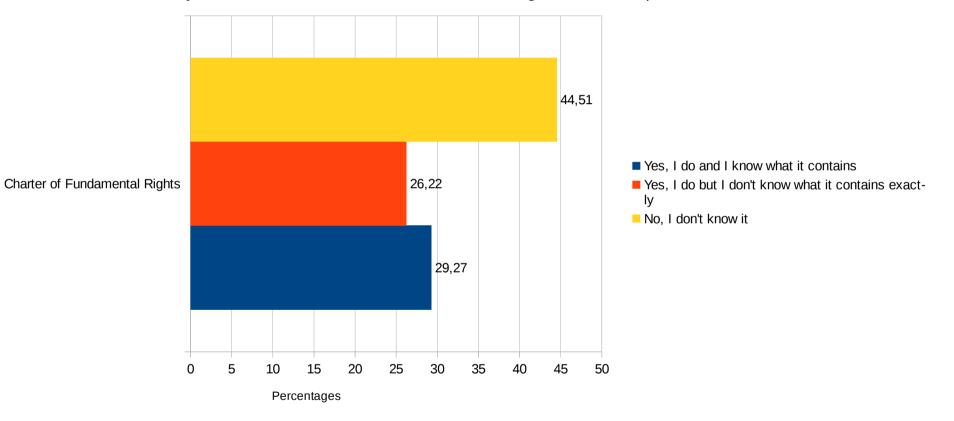
It establishes ethical principles and rights for EU citizens and residents applicable at EU level relate to dignity, liberty, equality, solidarity, citizenship and justice. The Charter also covers civil and political rights.

> La Carta de los Derechos Fundamentales Charteret om grundlæggende rettigheder Die Charta der Grundrechte Ο Χάρτης των Θεμελιωδών Δικαιωμάτων The Charter of Fundamental Rights La Charte des Droits fondamentaux La Carta dei diritti fondamentali Het Handvest van de grondrechten Carta dos Direitos Fundamentais Perusoikeuskirja



#### CHARTER OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

Do you know what the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union is ?



#### EUROPEAN MOBILITY PROGRAMMES

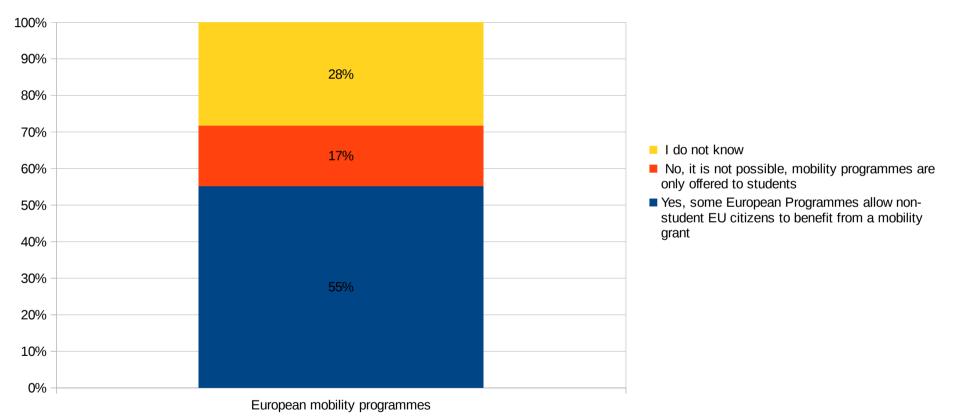
Erasmus + Programme aims to promote mobility and access to education and training. It involves participants from the following collectives:

- Members of education institutions
- Young graduates
- Students at all levels
- Youth in vocational training
- Young people outside the educational system
- Youth workers



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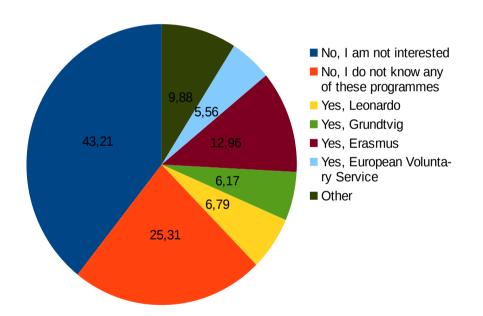
I am not a student. May I participate in a European Mobility Programme ?



#### EUROPEAN MOBILITY PROGRAMMES

Have you ever taken part in a European Mobility Programme ?

Have you ever taken part in a European mobility programme?



Information in percentages

# 43,21 31,48 5,31 No, I am not interested No, I do not know any of these programmes Yes, I have already taken part Other programmes / I would be interested in participating

Information in percentages

## **INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE**

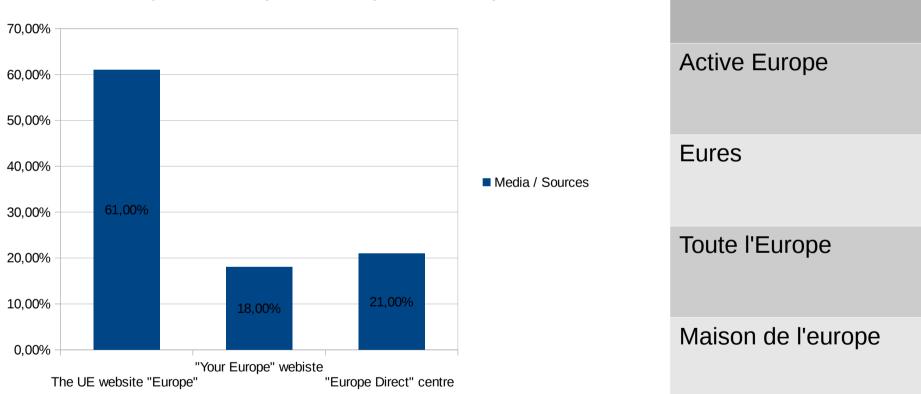
All the information regarding your rights and in your own language is available on:

- "Your Europe" website
- "Europe Direct" information service by phone, email and visiting the centres
- European Commission representations in your own country



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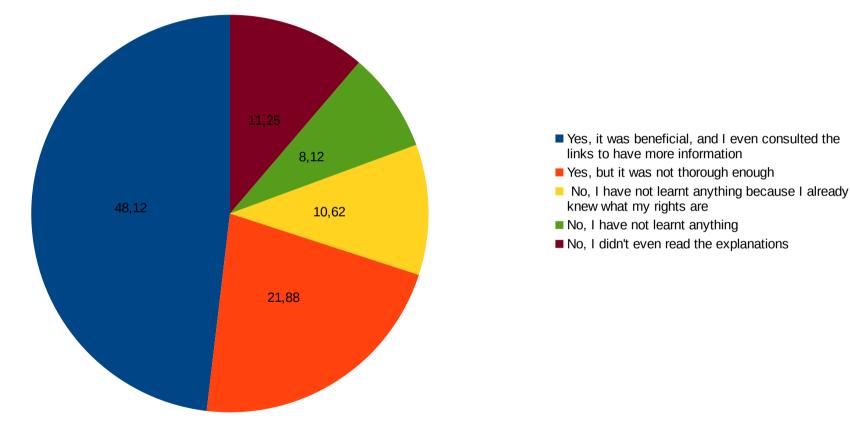
**OTHER** 



Indicate which European media do you know and you have already consulted

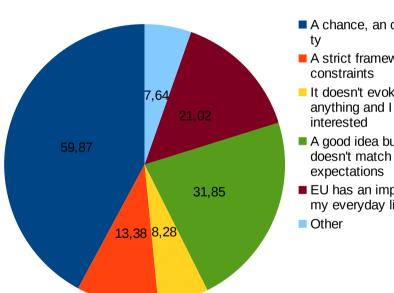
#### **INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE**

Has this survey allowed you to increase your knowledge on your European Rights ?



## SENSE OF BELONGING AND SOCIETY

What does European citizenship evoke you?



#### Percentages

- A chance, an opportuni-
- A strict framework.
- It doesn't evoke me anything and I am not
- A good idea but it doesn't match my
- EU has an impact on my everyday life

#### **Comments**

To work in another country

Mobilité et libre cicurlation

It has so much variety

Too much bureaucracy

Europe=traité TAFTA

Mayor importancia a la economia que a la gente

The EU is not protecting the rights of minority groups

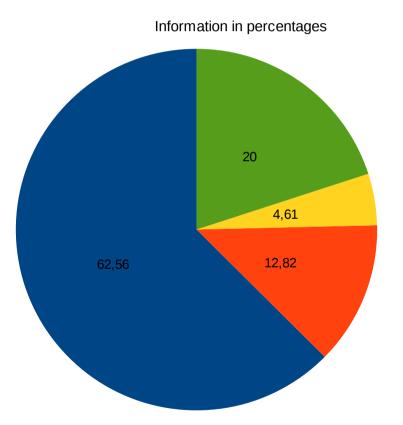
Gran diferencia socioconomica entre paises

Freedom

Multiculturalidad, educacion no reglada

#### SENSE OF BELONGING AND SOCIETY

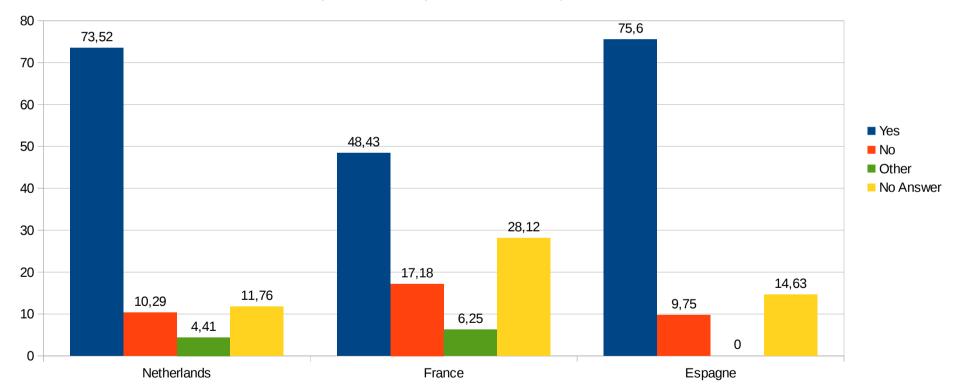
Do you consider yourself to be a European citizen?





#### SENSE OF BELONGING AND SOCIETY

Do you consider yourself to be a European citizen? (Information in percentages)



Germany could not be analysed due to the lack of replies

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