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**ETEME**







18a Which of the following issues do you consider the most important, which comes second, and which comes third?

	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Keeping taxes low	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Fighting unemployment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Securing stable prices	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Reforming the health service	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Furthering political unification of Western Europe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Solving the immigration problem	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Solving the Northern Irish problem	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Reduction of agricultural surpluses	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Protection of the environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Enacting a bill of rights	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Fighting crime	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

18b Which level of government would you think would be most appropriate in dealing with what you mentioned as the most important problem?

	Regional	National	European
the most important problem?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
the second important problem?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
the third important problem?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19 How would you rate the importance of various tasks you might do as an MEP on the following scale:

	Not very important					Very important				
Represent regional interests	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Help people with particular problems	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Contribute to European policymaking	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Advance national interests	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Represent group interests	<input type="checkbox"/>									

20 In cases of conflict concerning matters before the European Parliament, should you use your own judgment, follow the policy decided by your national party, or follow the policy decided by your European parliamentary group?

Own judgment  
 National party view  
 European parliamentary group

21 Where would you most like to be ten years from now? Please tick as many as appropriate.

A member of the European Parliament  
 Chair of your parliamentary group  
 Chair of an EP committee  
 Rapporteur of an EP committee  
 Head of a European agency  
 A member of the European Commission  
 A member of your national parliament  
 A member of your national government  
 Retired from public life

22 Do you think your chances of being elected are..

Very good  
 Good  
 Poor  
 Very poor

Question 23 is for incumbent MEPs only, others, please, continue with question 24

23 How frequently are you in contact with the following..

	Very infrequently					Very frequently				
Ordinary citizens	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Organised groups	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Lobbyists	<input type="checkbox"/>									
Leaders of your EP group	<input type="checkbox"/>									
British MEPs of other parties	<input type="checkbox"/>									
European civil servants	<input type="checkbox"/>									
National party leaders	<input type="checkbox"/>									
National MPs	<input type="checkbox"/>									
National ministers	<input type="checkbox"/>									
National civil servants	<input type="checkbox"/>									

Please don't mark.

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33 In your view which of the following is the better way of taking important decisions in the Council of Ministers? Decisions can only be taken..

If every member country of the EU agrees  
 If a simple majority of countries agree  
 If a weighted majority of countries agree

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34 Are you for or against the European Parliament having power to pass laws that will apply directly in all member countries of the European Union, that is in Britain as well as elsewhere?

For  Against

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35a To which one of the following geographical units would you say you belong to first of all?	The locality or town where you live [ ]	The region where you live [ ]	Your country as a whole [ ]	Europe [ ]	The world as a whole [ ]
35b And which one comes second?	The locality or town where you live [ ]	The region where you live [ ]	Your country as a whole [ ]	Europe [ ]	The world as a whole [ ]

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36 How old are you?

18-25	26-35	36-45	46-55	56-65	66+
[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

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37 Are you male or female?

Male  Female

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38 What is your present marital status?

Married  Widowed/separated/divorced/unmarried

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39 If currently employed, please describe your occupation. If currently an MEP, please, describe your occupation immediately prior to being elected.

39a Occupation

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39b Please indicate your occupation from the following list:

<input type="checkbox"/> Legal profession	<input type="checkbox"/> Architect/surveyor/engineer
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil servants and administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Armed services
<input type="checkbox"/> Party official/political research	<input type="checkbox"/> Clergy
<input type="checkbox"/> Commerce, management and business	<input type="checkbox"/> Clerical/secretarial
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational professions	<input type="checkbox"/> Other white collar
<input type="checkbox"/> Journalism, media	<input type="checkbox"/> Trade union official
<input type="checkbox"/> Physicians, dentists	<input type="checkbox"/> Skilled manual worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and farmers	<input type="checkbox"/> Semi and unskilled manual worker
<input type="checkbox"/> Writers, literary, artists	<input type="checkbox"/> Work in the home

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39c Do you work in the public or private sector?

Public sector  Private sector

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40 What is your highest qualification?

University degree  
 Other higher education  
 Secondary school  
 Primary school

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41 Do you regard yourself as:

Protestant  
 Catholic  
 Belonging to another religion  
 Not belonging to a religion

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42 How often do you attend a religious service?

At least once a week  
 At least once a month  
 At least once a year  
 Never

Please don't mark.

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