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**Flash Eurobarometer 485
(EU Citizenship and Democracy)**

**Country Questionnaire
Malta (English)**

EUROPEAN UNION CITIZENSHIP AND DEMOCRACY

(READ OUT) We are going to talk about European Union citizenship and democracy.

Q1 Are you familiar with the term "citizen of the European Union"?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Yes, and you know what it means	1
Yes, you have heard it, but you are not sure what it means	2
No, you have never heard the term "citizen of the European Union"	3
DK/NA	4

FL430 Q1

Q2 For each of the statements which I am going to read out, please state whether you think they are true or false:

(READ OUT – ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		TRUE.	FALSE.	DK/NA
1	Citizens of any Member State of the European Union need to apply to become a citizen of the European Union	1	2	3
2	You are both a citizen of the European Union and Maltese at the same time	1	2	3
3	If you so wish, you can choose not to be a citizen of the European Union	1	2	3

FL430 Q3

Q3 In fact, all citizens of the EU Member States are "citizens of the European Union" since 1993. Do you know if, as an EU citizen, you have the following rights?

(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		Yes, you have this right	No, you do not have this right	DK/NA

1	The right to reside in any Member State of the European Union, subject to certain conditions like having sufficient resources for yourself and your family members	1	2	3
2	When in another Member State, the right to be treated in the same way as a national of that State	1	2	3
3	When outside the EU, the right to seek help from the embassy of any other EU Member State, if your country does not have an embassy there	1	2	3
4	The right to participate in a Citizens' Initiative, a request signed by at least one million EU citizens inviting the European Commission to propose a new policy measure	1	2	3
5	The right to make a complaint to the European Commission, European Parliament or European Ombudsman, for example when your EU rights have not been respected by your Member State	1	2	3

NEW BASED ON FL430 Q4

Q4	How well informed do you feel about what you can do when your rights as an EU citizen are not respected?
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Very well informed	1
Fairly well informed	2
Not very well informed	3
Not informed at all	4
DK/NA	5

FL430 Q5

Q5	Please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements:
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		Totally agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Totally disagree	DK/NA
1	Free movement of EU citizens within the EU brings overall benefits to the economy of Malta	1	2	3	4	5

2	If you were in a country outside the EU with no Maltese consulate or embassy and needed help, you would like to seek support from an EU Delegation instead	1	2	3	4	5
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NEW BASED ON FL430 Q6

Q6	For each of the statements which I am going to read out, please state whether you think they are true or false: A citizen of the EU living in Malta has the right to vote or stand as a candidate in...
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		TRUE.	FALSE.	DK/NA
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1	... European Parliament elections	1	2	3
2	... elections to the national Parliament	1	2	3
3	... regional elections (by "regional" we mean any sub-national level of government between municipalities and the State)	1	2	3
4	... municipal elections	1	2	3

FL430 Q9 MODIFIED

Q7	Let's take a situation where a citizen of the EU lives in another EU country than their country of origin (i.e. the country of which they are a national).
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		Yes	No	DK/NA
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1	Would you consider it justified that this citizen acquires the right to vote in national elections and referendums in their country of residence?	1	2	3
2	Should this citizen acquire the right to vote and to stand as a candidate in regional elections organised in the country where they live, in case regional elections are held there?	1	2	3

FL430 Q10 MODIFIED

Q8	Let's take the same situation again where a citizen of the EU lives in another EU country other than their country of origin (i.e. the country of which they are a national). Do you think this citizen should have the right to:
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Vote only in their country of residence	1
Vote only in their country of origin	2
Vote in either their country of residence OR their country of origin, depending on the choice of the citizen (DO NOT READ OUT)	3
Vote in both their country of residence and their country of origin, depending on the choice of the citizen (DO NOT READ OUT)	4
Vote in none, neither their country of residence nor their country of nationality (DO NOT READ OUT)	5
DK/NA	6

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Q9	I will now read you a list of measures that could be taken to increase the turn-out in European elections. In your opinion, how likely is it that each of the following measures would make you more inclined to vote in the next European Parliament elections?
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(READ OUT - ONE ANSWER ONLY)

		Very likely	Fairly likely	Not very likely	Not at all likely	DK/NA
1	More information is provided on the impact of the European Union on your daily life	1	2	3	4	5
2	More information is provided on the programmes and objectives of candidates and parties in the European Parliament	1	2	3	4	5
3	Political parties mention the European political party to which they are affiliated in all campaign materials	1	2	3	4	5

4	You receive better information about the candidates for President of the European Commission	1	2	3	4	5
5	There are more female candidates	1	2	3	4	5
6	There are more young candidates	1	2	3	4	5
7	Citizens can contact a helpdesk that provides information on European Parliament elections and voting procedures	1	2	3	4	5
8	Lists of candidates include nationals of other EU countries	1	2	3	4	5
9	Electoral periods are closer in EU Member States (e.g. electoral campaign periods, voting days, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
10	EU citizens are more involved in decision-making processes within the Union	1	2	3	4	5
11	Voter registration could be easily done online	1	2	3	4	5
12	There is greater transparency on paid political advertising and communication, and its financing	1	2	3	4	5

NEW

SD1	European Parliament elections were held on the 25th May 2019. For one reason or another, some people in Malta did not vote in these elections. Did you yourself vote in the recent European Parliament elections?
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(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Voted	1
Did not vote	2
DK/NA	3

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SD2	Have you ever lived, studied, undergone training or worked in another EU country than Malta, or you are currently doing so?
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(ONE ANSWER ONLY)

Yes	1
No	2
Currently doing so	3
Refusal (DO NOT READ OUT)	4

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