Welcome and Instructions

Welcome!

Dear colleague,

We are extremely grateful for your participation in the Chapel Hill survey on political parties.

Thank you in advance for sharing your expertise with us!

We would like you to reflect on the position of the **leadership of national parties in Belgium** in the course of **2014**. The leadership of a political party consists of the party's chair, the party presidium, and the parliamentary party (as distinct from the party base or local and regional party officials).

Below you will find the abbreviations and full names of national parties, in the country language and in English.

Abbreviation	Full Name	English Translation
PS	Parti Socialiste	Socialist Party
SPA	Socialistische Partij Anders	Socialist Party Different
ECOLO	Ecolo	Ecolo
Groen	Groen	Green
MR	Mouvement Réformateur	Reformist Movement
VLD	Open Vlaamse Liberalen en Democraten	Open Flemish Liberals and Democrats
cdH	Centre Démocrate Humaniste	Humanist Democratic Centre
CD&V	Christen-Democratisch en Vlaams	Christian Democratic and Flemish
N-VA	Nieuw-Vlaamse Alliantie	New Flemish Alliance
FDF	Fédéralistes Démocrates Francophones	Francophone Democratic Federalists
VB	Vlaams Belang	Flemish Interest
PVDA	Partij van de Arbeid van België	Workers' Party of Belgium
PP	Parti populaire	People's Party

General Questions on European Integration

	1: Strongly opposed	Opposed	Somewhat opposed	Neutral	Somewhat in favor	In favor	7: Strongly in favor	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

How would you describe the general position on European integration that the party leadership took over the course of 2014?

Next, we would like you to think about the salience of European integration for a party. Over the course of 2014, how important was the EU to the parties in their public stance?

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	0: No importance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10: Great Importance
PS	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	\circ	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\circ	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0

	0:Party was completely united	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Party was extremely divided	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

What about conflict or dissent within parties over European integration over the course of 2014?

Finally, we would like you to evaluate parties on whether they consider EU membership beneficial. "Taking everything in consideration, does the party leadership think that its country has on balance benefited or not from being a member of the European Union?"

	1:Benefited	2:Neither benefited nor lost	3:Not benefited	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0

Specific Policy Questions

What **position** did the **party leadership** take over the course of **2014** on the following policies?

	1:Strongly opposes	Opposes	Somewhat opposes	Neutral	Somewhat favors	Favors	7:Strongly favors	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0
PP	\odot	\circ	\odot	\circ	0	0	0	0

First, take the position of the party leadership in 2014 on the powers of the European Parliament (EP).

The internal market (i.e. free movement of goods, services, capital and labor).

	1:Strongly opposes	Opposes	Somewhat opposes	Neutral	Somewhat favors	Favors	7:Strongly favors	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0

	1:Strongly opposes	Opposes	Somewhat opposes	Neutral	Somewhat favors	Favors	7:Strongly favors	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EU cohesion or regional policy (e.g. the structural funds).

EU foreign and security policy.

	1:Strongly opposes	Opposes	Somewhat opposes	Neutral	Somewhat favors	Favors	7:Strongly favors	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	\circ	\odot	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	\circ	\odot	\circ	0	0	0	0

	1:Strongly opposes	Opposes	Somewhat opposes	Neutral	Somewhat favors	Favors	7:Strongly favors	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EU enlargement to Turkey.

EU authority over member states' economic and budgetary policies.

	1:Strongly opposes	Opposes	Somewhat opposes	Neutral	Somewhat favors	Favors	7:Strongly favors	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	\circ	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	$^{\circ}$	\odot	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0

Ideological Questions

We now turn to a few questions on the **ideological positions** of political parties in Belgium in **2014**.

	0:Extreme left	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Extreme right	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	0
Groen	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc								
MR	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\circ	0
VLD	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\circ
cdH	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot
CD&V	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\circ	0	\circ	0
N-VA	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\odot
FDF	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\circ	\odot	\circ	\circ
VB	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\circ	\circ
PVDA	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc
PP	0	0	\odot	\circ	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Please tick the box that best describes each party's overall ideology on a scale ranging from 0 (extreme left) to 10 (extreme right).

Parties can be classified in terms of their stance on economic issues. Parties on the economic left want government to play an active role in the economy. Parties on the economic right emphasize a reduced economic role for government: privatization, lower taxes, less regulation, less government spending, and a leaner welfare state.

	0:Extreme left	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Extreme right	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
VLD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\odot
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\odot
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ

	0: No importance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10: Great Importance
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\circ	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\circ
Groen	0	\odot	0	\circ	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot
MR	0	\circ	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	\odot	0	\circ	\circ
VLD	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\circ
cdH	0	\circ	0	\circ	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
CD&V	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	0
N-VA	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot
FDF	0	\circ	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
VB	0	\circ	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	0
PVDA	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0
PP	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	0	\circ	0

Next, we would like you to think about the salience of economic issues for a party. Over the course of 2014, how important were economic issues to the parties in their public stance?

Parties can be classified in terms of their views on democratic freedoms and rights. "Libertarian" or "postmaterialist" parties favor expanded personal freedoms, for example, access to abortion, active euthanasia, same-sex marriage, or greater democratic participation. "Traditional" or "authoritarian" parties often reject these ideas; they value order, tradition, and stability, and believe that the government should be a firm moral authority on social and cultural issues.

	0:Libertarian/ Postmaterialist	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Traditional/ Authoritarian	Don't know
PS	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\circ	0	\circ	\odot	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
Groen	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot
MR	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\odot
VLD	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot
cdH	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot
CD&V	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot
FDF	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot
VB	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0
PVDA	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
PP	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc

	0:No importance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10: Great Importance
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PS	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	0	\odot
Groen	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot	\circ	0	\circ	0
MR	0	\circ	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	0
VLD	0	\circ	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0
cdH	0	\circ	0	0	\circ	0	\odot	\circ	0	\odot	0
CD&V	0	\odot	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot
N-VA	0	\circ	0	\circ	\bigcirc	0	\circ	\odot	\bigcirc	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot	0
VB	0	\odot	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0
PVDA	0	\circ	0	\odot	\circ	0	\circ	\odot	0	\odot	0
PP	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\bigcirc	0

Over the course of 2014, how important were libertarian/traditional issues to the parties in their public stance?

Policy dimensions

Next, we would like you to consider where political parties stood on the following **policy dimensions** in Belgium in **2014**.

Position on improving public services vs. reducing taxes.

	0:Fully in favour of raising taxes to increase public services	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Fully in favour of cutting public services to cut taxes.	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
Groen	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	\odot	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0
MR	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ
cdH	0	\odot	0	0	0	\circ	\odot	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
N-VA	0	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ
FDF	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\circ	\bigcirc
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot
PVDA	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\circ	\circ	\circ
PP	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0

Position on deregulation.

	0:Strongly opposes deregulation of markets	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly supports deregulation of markets	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
VLD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	0:Fully in favour of the redistribution of wealth from the rich to the poor	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Fully opposed to the redistribution of wealth from the rich to the poor	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	\circ	0	\odot	0	\circ	\circ	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\circ
Groen	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	\circ
MR	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\circ	0	\bigcirc	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	\circ
cdH	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\odot	0	\circ
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	\circ
FDF	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
VB	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	\circ
PVDA	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\odot	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	\odot
PP	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc

Position on redistribution of wealth from the rich to the poor.

Position on state intervention in the economy.

	0:Fully in favour of state intervention in the economy	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Fully opposed to state intervention in the economy	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc								
VLD	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	0	\circ
cdH	0	\circ	0	\odot								
CD&V	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	0	\odot
N-VA	0	$^{\circ}$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	\odot	0	\odot								
VB	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	$^{\circ}$	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
PP	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot

	0:Strongly promotes civil liberties	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly supports tough measures to fight crime	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	0
Groen	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0						
MR	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
VLD	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0
cdH	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\odot	\circ	\circ	\circ	\odot	0	0
CD&V	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot
N-VA	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	0
FDF	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\circ	\circ	\odot	\odot	0	\circ
VB	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot
PVDA	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\odot	0	\circ	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	\circ

Position on civil liberties vs. law and order.

Position on social lifestyle (e.g. homosexuality).

	0:Strongly supports liberal	1	2	2	4	F	G	7	0	0	10:Strongly opposes liberal	Don't
	policies	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	policies	know
PS	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\circ	0	\odot
Groen	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0
MR	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0
VLD	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	0
cdH	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0
VB	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\bigcirc
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ

	0:Strongly opposes religious principles in politics	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly supports religious principles in politics	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
VLD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\odot	\circ	\odot	\circ	0	\circ	0	\odot
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot
VB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc

Position on role of religious principles in politics.

Position on immigration policy.

	0:Fully opposed to a restrictive policy on immigration	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Fully in favour of a restrictive policy on immigration.	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	\odot	\circ
Groen	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
MR	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\odot
cdH	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\circ
CD&V	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0
N-VA	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	\odot
FDF	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot
PVDA	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\odot
PP	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	0

	0:Strongly favors					_		_			10:Strongly favors	Don't
	multiculturalism	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	assimilation	know
PS	0	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc
ECOLO	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
Groen	0	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	0	\circ
MR	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\circ	\odot	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
cdH	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\circ	0	\odot
CD&V	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\odot	\circ	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
N-VA	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\circ	\odot
FDF	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc
VB	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
PVDA	0	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
PP	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\circ	\bigcirc

Position on integration of immigrants and asylum seekers (multiculturalism vs. assimilation).

Position on urban vs. rural interests.

	0:Strongly supports urban										10:Strongly supports rural	Don't
	interests	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	interests	know
PS	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
Groen	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot
MR	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0
cdH	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	\circ	\odot	0	\odot
CD&V	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
N-VA	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	0
FDF	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
VB	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0
PVDA	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	\circ
PP	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	0

	0:Strongly supports environmental protection even at the cost of economic growth	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly supports economic growth even at the cost of environmental protection	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	0	0
VB	0	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	0
PP	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ

Position towards the environment.

Position on political decentralization to regions/localities.

	0:Strongly favors political decentralization	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly opposes political decentralization	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\circ	0	0	\circ
ECOLO	0	\circ	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	\circ	0	0	0
Groen	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	0
MR	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	0
VLD	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\circ
cdH	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc
CD&V	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0
N-VA	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc
FDF	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	\circ
VB	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	\circ	\odot	\circ
PVDA	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
PP	0	\circ	0	\odot	0	\circ	\odot	0	\circ	0	0	0

	0:Strongly favors Belgian troop deployment	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly opposes Belgian troop deployment	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
Groen	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
VLD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
cdH	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot
CD&V	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
N-VA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FDF	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
VB	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
PVDA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
PP	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ

Position towards international security and peacekeeping missions.

Position towards ethnic minorities.

	0:Strongly supports more rights for ethnic minorities	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly opposes more rights for ethnic minorities	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot
ECOLO	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc
Groen	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\circ
MR	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\circ	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	\circ
cdH	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
CD&V	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
N-VA	0	\circ	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\circ	\odot	0	\circ
FDF	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	\bigcirc
VB	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	\bigcirc
PVDA	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot	\odot	0	\circ
PP	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc

	0:Strongly promotes cosmopolitan rather than nationalist conceptions of society	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10:Strongly promotes nationalist rather than cosmopolitan conceptions of society	Don't know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\circ	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot
ECOLO	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
Groen	0	\circ	\odot	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot	0	\circ
MR	0	\bigcirc	\odot	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
cdH	0	\circ	\odot	0	0	0	\circ	\odot	0	\odot	0	\circ
CD&V	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
N-VA	0	\circ	\circ	0	0	0	\circ	\circ	0	\odot	0	\circ
FDF	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot
VB	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
PVDA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	\odot
PP	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\bigcirc	0	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc

Position towards nationalism

Next, we'd like you to consider the salience of the following issues for each party over the course of 2014.

	0:Not important										10:Extremely	Don't
	at all	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	important	Know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
ECOLO	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
Groen	0	\odot	\circ	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
MR	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\odot	0	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
VLD	0	\circ	0	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\odot	0	\circ
cdH	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	0	0	\bigcirc
N-VA	0	\bigcirc	\circ	\odot	\odot	\circ	0	0	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
FDF	0	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
VB	0	\bigcirc	0	\odot	\circ	\circ	\circ	\circ	0	\odot	0	\bigcirc
PVDA	0	\odot	\circ	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot
PP	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc

Salience of anti-establishment and anti-elite rhetoric.

Salience of reducing political corruption.

	0:Not important										10:Extremely	Don't
	at all	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	important	Know
PS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECOLO	0	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	0	0	\odot
Groen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VLD	0	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	\odot	\odot	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\odot	\odot	0	\odot
cdH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CD&V	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ
N-VA	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0
FDF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
VB	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0
PVDA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ

For each party, could you please indicate which were the first, second, and third most important issues over the course of the past year.

	First Most Important	Second Most Imporant	Third Most Important
PS	÷	:	:
SPA	÷	:	*
ECOLO		(4 T	:
Groen	÷	:	<u></u>
MR	4 T	4 *	:
VLD			
cdH			:
CD&V		\$	<u>+</u>
N-VA		4 T	:
FDF	:	:	4 *
VB		<u>۵</u>	:
PVDA		*	¥
PP		4 •	:

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Finally, we are going to present you with descriptions of 3 hypothetical parties and their views towards economic, libertarian/traditional, and EU issues. We would like you to place these hypothetical parties on the following dimensions.

Vignettes

First, we would like you to place hypothetical Parties A, B, and C on the EU dimension

Party A conceives the European Union as an intergovernmental organization in which member states, not the European Commission or the European Parliament, should be the dominant players. It rejects exiting the EU, but it wishes to reclaim state sovereignty from the EU. *On a 1-7 point scale with 1 being extreme anti-EU and 7 being extreme pro-EU where would you place this party?*

	1:Anti-EU	2	3	4:Center	5	6	7:Pro-EU	Don't know
Party A	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0

Party B conceives the European Union as a supranational organization that provides Europeans with citizenship and a range of public goods. This party believes the European Commission should become the government of the European Union. *On a 1-7 point scale with 1 being extreme anti-EU and 7 being extreme pro-EU where would you place this party?*

	1:Anti-EU	2	3	4:Center	5	6	7:Pro-EU	Don't know
Party B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Party C believes that both member states and European institutions should play a vital role in EU policy making. The party is willing to pool national sovereignty in the EU if this is efficient and feasible. European policy should be guided by subsidiarity, the principle that what can be better done at the national/subnational level should not be centralized. *On a 1-7 point scale with 1 being extreme anti-EU and 7 being extreme pro-EU where would you place this party?*

	1:Anti-EU	2	3	4:Center	5	6	7:Pro-EU	Don't know
Party C	0	\odot	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0

Next, we would like you to place the hypothetical parties on the economic dimension.

Party A advocates a social market economy with an emphasis on social justice, solidarity, and support for a welfare state. However, this party opposes state ownership, defends private property, and resists excessive intervention of the state in the economy. It believes there is a sharp trade-off between welfare spending and economic competitiveness. *On a 0-10 point scale with 0 being extreme left and 10 being extreme right where would you place this party?*

	0:Left	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Right	Don't know
Party A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\circ	0	0	0

Party B views the equalization of life chances for all citizens as an important goal of government. It favors active government in regulating domestic and international markets, and supports steeply progressive taxes to fund redistributive social programs. *On a 0-10 point scale with 0 being extreme left and 10 being extreme right where would you place this party?*

	0:Left	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Right	Don't know
Party B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Party C believes in small government. It favors minimal regulation of domestic and international markets, supports the privatization of many government operations, and opposes high taxes to fund redistributive social programs. *On a 0-10 point scale with 0 being extreme left and 10 being extreme right where would you place this party?*

	0:Left	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Right	Don't know
Party C	0	\bigcirc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot	0

Finally, we'd like you to place these 3 hypothetical parties on the libertarian/traditional dimension.

Party A frames its policies around principles of social justice, grassroots democracy, and multiculturalism. The party favors same-sex marriage, active euthanasia, and access to safe abortion. *On a 0-10 point scale with 0 being extreme* "Libertarian/postmaterialist" *and 10 being extreme* "Traditional/authoritarian" *where would you place this party?*

	0:Libertarian/ Postmaterialist	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Traditional/ Authoritarian	Don't know
Party A	0	\odot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\odot

Party B favors non-discrimination legislation covering gender, race and sexual orientation, but opposes minority quotas. The party sees itself as a pragmatic party that is willing to compromise if this is necessary to achieve its broad goals. *On a 0-10 point scale with 0 being extreme* "Libertarian/postmaterialist" *and 10 being extreme* "Traditional/authoritarian" *where would you place this party?*

	0:Libertarian/ Postmaterialist	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Traditional/ Authoritarian	Don't know
Party B	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Party C emphasizes traditional family values, law and order, and the nation. It opposes the legalization of same-sex marriage and the right to die. It believes that the government should be a firm moral authority on social and cultural issues. *On a 0-10 point scale with 0 being extreme* "Libertarian/postmaterialist" *and 10 being extreme* "Traditional/authoritarian" *where would you place this party?*

	0:Libertarian/ Postmaterialist	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Traditional/ Authoritarian	Don't know
Party C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Expert demographics

What is your gender?

Male

Female

In which country do you reside?

And for how long have you resided there?

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If you hold a doctoral degree, in which country did you receive it?



In political matters people talk of the economic "left" and the "right". What is your position? Please indicate your views using any number on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means "left" and 10 means "right". Which number best describes you?

0:Left	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	10:Right
0	0	0	0	\odot	0	\odot	0	0	0	0

In political matters people talk of the libertarian/tradition dimension. What is your position? Please indicate your views using any number on a scale from 0 to 10, where 0 means "libertarian/postmaterialist" and 10 means "traditional/authoritarian". Which number best describes you?

0:Libertarian/										10:Traditional/
Postmaterialist	1	2	3	4	5:Center	6	7	8	9	Authoritarian
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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