DELIBERATIVE POLLING

QUESTIONNAIRE

(1) Hello. My name is ________ and I work for the polling company RASS. My phone number is 210 4197100. RASS is conducting a survey on behalf of the Institute of Statistics of the Athens University of Economics and Business, regarding the issues and problems faced by the municipality of Marousi, in view of the upcoming municipal elections. Would you kindly take a few minutes to help us understand how the citizens of Marousi feel about the issues and problems in their municipality?

1 Interview
2 Reject interview
3 Wrong place / person
4 No answer
5 Fax / Answering Machine picked up
6 Wrong Number
7 Interview with person we were looking for

(2) How many adults live in your house?

(3) How many of you vote in the municipality of Marousi?

(4) When are the birthdays of the adults living in your house who vote in the municipality of Marousi?

1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December

What month is your birthday?

1 January
2 February
3 March
4 April
5 May
6 June
7 July
8 August
9 September
10 October
11 November
12 December
(5) May I please speak to the person whose birthday is in the month of _____?

1 YES
2 NO

(6) How often do you vote in elections?

1 Always
2 Usually
3 Half the time
4 Occasionally
5 Never
6 No answer

(7) Will you vote in the October municipal elections?

1 Definitely yes
2 Probably yes
3 Probably not
4 Definitely not
5 Undecided
6 No answer

I will now read you some issues concerning the municipality of Marousi. I would like you to rank them on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 means “extremely insignificant,” 10 means “extremely significant”.

(8) In your opinion, how significant is…

0 (Extremely insignificant)
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10 (Extremely significant)
No knowledge of the issue – No opinion on the issue
No answer

1 Municipal waste management
2 Maintenance of public roads
3 Tackling unemployment
4 Reducing poverty
5 Improving public transport
6 Organized parking
7 The Mall
8 The operation of multinational companies based in Marousi
9 The integration of immigrants into society
10 Public accountability of elected officials in the municipality
11 Expanding public participation in the decision making process
12 The transparent management of public funds by the municipality, particularly concerning public works and expenditures.
Long term municipal budgets
Building new municipal sports venues
Finding open spaces
The maintenance of public schools
Managing school budgets
Instituting a private university in Marousi
Providing municipal healthcare

(9) Apart from the issues above, are there any other issues in the municipality of Marousi, which you consider significant? If so, what are they?

(10) A new multi-million euro shopping centre called The Mall recently opened in Marousi. Do you think this shopping centre will have positive or negative repercussions for local citizens and the municipality itself?

1 Positive
2 Probably positive
3 Neither positive, nor negative
4 Probably negative
5 Negative
6 Don’t know / No answer

(11) Like all municipalities in Attica, Marousi has to deal with the problem of waste management. Collecting the waste is expensive and harmful to the environment, as the waste ends up in the landfill of Ano Liosia. One solution that is already in effect in Marousi is recycling. Do you think recycling efforts should be further enhanced or not?

1 Enhance recycling efforts
2 Waste should end up in landfills
3 Don’t know / No answer

(12) Do you recycle?

1 Yes
2 No
3 Don’t know / No answer

(13) Marousi is home to many economic immigrants. Do you think the municipality is / should be responsible for taking steps that would improve their integration into society?

1 It is the responsibility of the municipality
2 It is the responsibility of the government
3 Don’t know / No answer

(14) A big issue that concerns Greek society at large is whether or not private universities should be established. Do you agree or disagree with the establishment of private universities?

1 Agree
2 Disagree
3 Don’t know / No answer

(15) Recently, it became known that the municipality of Marousi is considering leasing property to a higher education provider to set up a private university. Regardless of your personal opinion of private universities, do you think a private university should operate in Marousi in premises owned by the municipality?
(16) Marousi faces a parking problem. Do you think the “pay and display” initiative is an effective solution to the problem, or should other options be explored?

1  “Pay and display” is a good solution
2  Other options are in order
3  Don’t know / No answer

(17) Do you think that the existing fleet of municipal buses serve the public adequately or should the fleet be expanded?

1  Service is satisfactory
2  The fleet should be expanded
3  Don’t know / No answer

(18) Do you know the name of the current Mayor of Marousi? If so, what is his / her name?

(19) Generally speaking, do you have a positive or negative view of the work the current mayor of Marousi has done so far?

1  Positive
2  Mainly positive
3  Neither positive, nor negative
4  Mainly negative
5  Negative
6  Don’t know
7  No answer

Let’s us continue on another subject:

(20) On a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 represents the “Far left,” 10 represents the “Far right” and 5 is in the middle, where would you place yourself?

0 (Far left)
1
2
3
4
5 (Centre)
6
7
8
9
10 (Far right)
I do not accept this definition
No answer

(21) On the same political scale, where do you place PASOK?

(22) And where do you place New Democracy?

(23) Now I will ask you a few questions using what is called a “viewpoint thermometer.” I will read you the names of organisations and people and would like you to assign them a number on a
scale of 0 to 100 that reflects your personal opinion of them. If you have an absolutely positive opinion, you may assign the number 100. If you have an absolutely negative opinion, you may assign the number 0. If your opinion is neither positive nor negative, you may assign the number 50. Of course, you may assign any number you wish within the scale of 0 to 100, depending on your point of view. Don’t know: 888. Will not answer: 999.

1 PASOK
2 New Democracy
3 George Papandreou
4 Kostás Karamanlis
5 Mayor Tzanikos of Marousi

(24) Generally speaking, how satisfied are you by the democratic process in Greece?

1 Highly satisfied
2 Fairly satisfied
3 Somewhat satisfied
4 Not at all satisfied
5 Don’t know
6 No answer

(25) Many names have been put forward as candidates for the upcoming municipal elections. I will read you some of these names and would like to ask you to assign a number on a scale of 0 to 100 that reflects your opinion of them. If you have an absolutely positive opinion, you may assign the number 100. If you have an absolutely negative opinion, you may assign the number 0. If your opinion is somewhere in between, you may assign the number 50. Of course, you may assign whatever number you wish on the scale of 0 to 100, depending on your opinion. If you do not know a name at all, please respond: Don’t know: 888. Will not answer: 999.

1 Alexandris, Panagiotis
2 Veloudos, Yiannis
3 Vlahos, Haralambos
4 Diakoliou, Mary
5 Karanasou, Mary
6 Bregiannis, Alekos
7 Ragousis, Stathis
8 Rotas, Konstantinos
9 Ziogas, Babis
10 Iosifidis, Makis
11 Patoulis, Yiorgos

(26) In the last elections of March 2004, which political party did you vote for?

1 New Democracy
2 PASOK
3 KKE
4 SYN
5 LAOS
6 DIKKI
7 Other
8 Void / Blank
9 No answer

Now I would like to ask you a few questions about Marousi. Don’t worry if you are unable to answer a question. We will skip it and go on to the next one.
(27) What is the population of the municipality of Marousi?

1. 40,000
2. 70,000
3. 100,000
4. 130,000
5. Don’t know

(28) How many stores are there in the new shopping center called The Mall?

1. 50
2. 200
3. 350
4. 500
5. Don’t know

(29) How much waste does each citizen of Marousi produce every year?

1. 50 kilos
2. 250 kilos
3. 450 kilos
4. 650 kilos
5. Don’t know

(30) What percentage of the population of Marousi are economic immigrants?

1. 5%
2. 10%
3. 15%
4. 20%
5. Don’t know

(31) What percentage of the road network of Marousi does the current municipal bus fleet service?

1. 30%
2. 50%
3. 70%
4. 90%
5. Don’t know

(32) An invitation to tender for the construction of the new Metro line that will connect Galatsi and Marousi was recently made public. Have you heard of this tender?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don’t / No answer

(33) How many people do you think this new Metro line will serve?

1. 100,000
2. 200,000
3. 300,000
4. 400,000
5. Don’t know
Gender

1 Male
2 Female

For statistical purposes only, please tell us what year were you born? 19___

What level of education have you completed?

1 Up to Elementary school
2 Up to Third Grade
3 Up to high school
4 Technical school
5 Technical college
6 University
7 Masters Degree
8 No answer

What is your profession?

1 Self-employed
2 Public sector
3 Private sector
4 Unemployed
5 Student
6 Housewife
7 Retired
8 No answer

Please specify your job title.

What is your marital status?

1 Single
2 Single with children
3 Married
4 Married with children
5 Divorced
6 Divorced with children
7 Widowed
8 Widowed with children
9 No answer

How many children do you have?

How many of them are under the age of 18?

What is your monthly income?

1 Less than €1000
2 €1001 - €1500
3 €1501 - €2000
4 €2001 - €2500
5 €2501 - €3000
6 More than €3000
How often do you attend church?

1. Every Sunday or more
2. 2-3 times a month
3. A few times a year
4. Only on major religious holidays and social events like weddings, baptisms, etc.
5. Never
6. No answer

How many years have you lived in the municipality of Marousi?

Let me ask you one more thing … Have you ever heard of the deliberative polling process?

1. Yes
2. No

What is your opinion of this process?

1. Absolutely positive
2. Somewhat positive
3. Neither positive, nor negative
4. Somewhat negative
5. Absolutely negative
6. Don’t really understand it

Those are all our questions. Thank you for taking the time to answer them.

I would like to close by saying the following:

We have selected a number of citizens from the municipality of Marousi, just like you, to take part in a scientific process – a deliberative poll concerning the issues and problems in your municipality and those interested in being PASOK candidates. This process will take place in the beginning of June. The whole process will be observed by the President of PASOK and everyone who takes part will have the opportunity to exchange views with him. Participants do not have to be a member or voter of PASOK to take part in the poll. Nor do participants need to have any political knowledge. We are interested in including a representative sample of all residents in the municipality.

In case you are selected by a scientific process, would you be interested in taking part in this deliberative poll? The process will be covered by journalist Pavlos Tsimas, for his show “Erevna” on MEGA TV channel, as well as by other television and radio stations.

1. Yes, I would participate
2. No, I would not participate
3. I am not sure

If you are not sure or need more time to decide, may we call you in a few days?

1. Yes
2. No

We would like to have your name and address so we can send you more information about the process, as well as an invitation from the President of PASOK, George Papandreou, to take part. If you do not wish to receive this information and invitation by mail, we could send them to your e-
mail address.

Name

Telephone number