

Appendix C

SURVEY QUESTION WORDINGS AND RESPONSE ALTERNATIVES

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Variable	Survey question	Response alternatives
Generation of CSOs	2. In what year was your organization founded in Sweden?	–
Number of members	7. How many members does your organization have? [Individuals; Organizations]	–
Elected representatives	8. How many elected representatives does your organization have?	–
Employed staff	9. How many full-time employed staff does your organization have?	–
Volunteers	10. Does your organization have volunteers connected to your organization (i.e., persons that are neither members nor employed)?	Yes; No; If yes, how many: –
Degree of activity on different geographical levels	12. How often does your organization have activities on the following geographical levels? [Local or municipal level; National level; Nordic level; European level; International level]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know

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Membership in networks and federations at different geographical levels	13. Which of the following types of networks, federations, or umbrella organizations is your organization a direct member of? [Local networks or umbrella organizations; National networks or federations; Nordic networks or federations; Networks or federations at EU or European level; Other international networks or umbrella organizations]	Yes; No; Don't know
Importance of different sources of funding	14. How important are the following sources of funding for the budget of your organization? [Members' fees; Sales of goods and services; Economic support from the local municipalities; Economic support from the state; Economic support from EU bodies (e.g., European Social Fund or European Regional Development Fund); Companies (sponsoring, gifts, etc.); Private persons (gifts, donations)]	Very; Somewhat; Not very; This is not a source of funding for us; Don't know
Service provision on behalf of public organizations	17. To what extent do the following statements describe your organization in an accurate way? [We are an organization that provides service on behalf of the local municipalities, the region/county, or the state.]	Very much; Somewhat; Not very much; Not at all; Don't know
Application for EU funding	19. How often does your organization do some of the following? [Apply for economic funding from the EU; Is granted the EU funding that we have applied for; Employs a lot of resources (knowledge, time and staff) when we apply for EU funding; Adjust our activities to increase our chances to get funding.]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know
Perceived results of receiving EU funding	20. If your organization receives, or has earlier received, EU funding, to what extent do you agree with the following statements? [EU funding has made it possible for us to initiate new projects and activities that we otherwise wouldn't have been able to start; To administer EU funding demands a lot of resources (knowledge, time, staff); The accountancy rules for EU funding have made our activities more bureaucratic; EU	Very; Somewhat; Not very; Not at all; Don't know

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Perceived results of receiving EU funding	funding has led to changes in the goals of our organization; EU funding has made us less dependent on economic support from the state and the local municipality.]	
Perceived importance of various levels for achieving the CSO's goals	21. How important are the following levels of political decision-making for solving the problems or issues that your organization works with? [Local or municipal level; National level; Nordic level; European level; International level]	Very; Somewhat; Not very; Not at all; Don't know
Use of advocacy at different political levels	23. How often do you try to influence politicians or officials at the following levels of decision-making regarding issues that are central for your organization? [Local or municipal level; National level; Nordic level; European level; International level]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know
Impact of advocacy at different political levels	24. If your organization has tried to influence politicians or officials, how often have these efforts led to concrete changes at the following levels? [Local or municipal level; National level; Nordic level; European level; International level]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know
Use of various strategies to influence Swedish politics	26. How often does your organization use the following ways to influence <i>Swedish politics</i> ? [Use consultants (PR bureaus, etc.); Stage demonstrations; Contact politicians working at the national level; Contact public officials working at the national level; Contact EU institutions]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know
Participation in various forms of network-based activities	27. How often does your organization participate in the following types of activities? [Meetings/conferences by organizations active at the EU level; EU-financed projects together with other European organizations; Campaigns (<i>advocacy, spreading information</i>) led by organizations active outside of Sweden; Campaigns led by organizations in Brussels; Contribute with information (<i>e.g. through writing reports</i>) that are sent to organizations active at the EU level]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know

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Perceived importance of various forms of EU-related influence for the CSOs	28. How important are the following for your organization? [To influence EU's policies; To influence the policies of other EU countries than Sweden; To influence other countries to adopt Swedish policies within the interest areas of one's organization; To make the EU put pressure on Sweden within the interest areas of one's organization]	Very; Somewhat; Not very; Not at all; Don't know
Use of various strategies to influence EU policies	29. How often does your organization use the following ways to influence <i>EU politics</i> ? [Use European networks or umbrella organizations (<i>EAPN, EWL, etc.</i>); Use other international networks or umbrella organizations; Contact key persons working with influencing EU institutions; Contact Swedish authorities or Swedish political parties: Contact MEPs or groups within the European Parliament; Contact other EU institutions (<i>the Commission, Court of Justice of the EU, etc.</i>); Use consultants (<i>PR bureaus, etc.</i>); Stage demonstrations]	Often; Sometimes; Rarely; Never; Don't know
Perceived results of being a member of an EU network	34. If your organization is a member of, or takes part in, European networks or federations – to what extent do you agree with the following statements? <i>By being a member of an organization that works on the EU level . . .</i> [Our organization has been able to keep us well-informed about EU policies; Our organization has learned new ways of doing things; Our organization's independence and legitimacy has decreased; Our organization's workload has increased; Our organization's credibility towards public actors and other organizations has been strengthened.]	Very; Somewhat; Not very; Not at all; Don't know
Perceived problems with being a member of an EU network	35. If your organization is a member of, or takes part in, European networks or federations – how <i>problematic</i> have you experienced the following? [Participants speak different languages; EU-level issues are too complex; Our organization lacks the time and resources that would make it possible to be engaged at a preferred level; The EU does not directly affect the issues]	Very; Somewhat; Not very; Not at all; Don't know

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	that our organization deals with; The EU tries to control our organization in a way that does not suit us; Our members show low support for working with EU issues; There are too large ideological differences between the participating organizations; Other organizations within the network do not share our values]	
