

Appendix 16 – Socio-economic reporting questionnaire
All projects

SOCIO-ECONOMIC REPORTING QUESTIONNAIRE

(To be completed by each contractor in the project)

INTRODUCTION

In the process of building the European Research Area, democratic governance must ensure that social and economic issues are taken into consideration in the research activities and that citizens are informed about and aware of the social aspects with regard to scientific and technological progress. In this context, it is also acknowledged that the benefits of research in support of socio-economic policy challenges would be enhanced by an appropriate integration of socio-economic research dimensions.

The importance of the integration of socio-economic aspects in research was recognised in FP6 and should be duly taken into consideration by contractors where relevant for the actions concerned in horizontal and thematic activities of FP6.

This questionnaire applies to all projects and must be filled in by each contractor in the project. It is designed to facilitate the monitoring of the integration of the socio-economic dimensions in FP6 and to finally support the assessment of the research that will guide the future policy formulations and decisions.

The submission of this questionnaire will be done on-line. The details of the procedure to be used will be communicated by the Commission to the project coordinator in due time.

The information gathered through this exercise will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed to any third parties or used in any way that could be linked to individual projects.

QUESTIONS

1.1 Do your tasks in the project include socio-economic research activities¹ ?

(Yes, No or N/A)

1.2 If “Yes”, what is the estimated total budget allocation that addresses these activities ?

(Cost in Euro or N/A)

¹ - Ex-ante or ex-post assessments (or contribution to such analysis e.g. cost-benefit/cost-effectiveness studies, etc...) of the expected impact of the knowledge and/or technology generated from the research (project, programme or framework programme), as well as analysis of the factors that would influence their exploitation (e.g. statistical indicators, standardisation, ethical and regulatory aspects, impact on consumers and markets, public awareness/acceptance and understanding of science, political/societal and/or economic implications, etc...)

- Any type of models or tools to support the assessment of impact on society, economy and businesses resulting from the deployment of new services or technologies.

- Any research seeking both a better integration of Science in Society and Society in Science.

- Any type of research aiming at understanding the societal and economic phenomena (research in social sciences and humanities)

- Actions e.g. assessments, tools & methods, comparative research, etc to support the formulation and implementation of Community policies.

- Any type of activity involving scientist(s) with a specific background in social, political sciences or in economy (discipline approach).

2.1 Do your tasks in the project include foresight methods² ?

(Yes, No or N/A)

2.2 If “Yes”, what is the estimated total budget allocation that addresses these activities?

(Cost in Euro or N/A)

3. How many person/months (estimated) are allocated to researchers with a background in social sciences³, to perform your tasks for the project ?

(Figure)

² - Any type of foresight, i.e. participative vision-building approaches, future studies and forward looking activities, including scenarios of the evolution of Europe’s potential in a related field, forecasting, prospective studies, forward looks, etc.

³ Domains of academic disciplines covered by the social sciences are: Psychology, Economics, Education sciences, Anthropology (social and cultural) and ethnology, Demography, Geography (human, economic and social), Town and country planning, Management, Law, Linguistics, Political sciences, Sociology, Organisation and methods, Miscellaneous social sciences and interdisciplinary.