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Welcome to the questionnaire for the research project "Important, Forgotten or Irrelevant? Stakeholders' Survey on Post-Vilnius Eastern Partnership and Advocacy Map". Completing of the questionnaire would take approximately 15 minutes.

The research project was realized by nine think-tanks from the Visegrád Group and Eastern Partnership partner countries (Association for International Affairs (AMO), Slovak Foreign Policy Association (SFPA), Center for EU Enlargement Studies of the Central European University (CENS/CEU), Kosciuszko Institute (IK), Institute of World Policy (IWP), Caucasian Institute for Economic and Social Research (CIESR), Foreign Policy Association of Moldova (APE), Analytical Centre on Globalization and Regional Cooperation (ACGRC), Center for National and International Studies (CNIS)) and one independent expert from Belarus.

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1. Which of the following options corresponds the best to your current profession?

- politician
- civil servant
- analyst/researcher
- NGO worker
- journalist
- businessman/businesswoman

other (please specify)

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5. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the role of the EaP initiative?

	agree	somewhat agree	somewhat disagree	disagree	I don't know
The EaP initiative has represented a tool for transformation of the participating countries to European standards and the rule of law.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has represented void and unnecessary addition to the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has represented a geopolitical instrument of the EU aimed against Russia's interests.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has served as a key security guarantee for the EaP partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has served as a precursor for the candidate status.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has served as a source of identification with Europe in participating partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has played a key role in deepening cooperation among the EaP partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative has contributed significantly to the cooperation of the non-profit sector between the EU and the EaP partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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6. Name three EU member states which have been the most important advocates of the EaP initiative.

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- United Kingdom
- I don't know

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Future expectations on the development of the EaP initiative

9. Which state is most likely to get the EU candidate status? (choose one)

- Belarus
- Ukraine
- Moldova
- Georgia
- Armenia
- Azerbaijan
- None
- I don't know

10. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the role of the EU?

	agree	somewhat agree	somewhat disagree	disagree	I don't know
The EU should offer the perspective of membership as an incentive for reforms in the partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should never allow partner countries to obtain candidate status.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should first integrate the Western Balkan countries and only then start contemplating the possible accession of the EaP partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should provide the EaP partner countries with a "special status", which would include sectoral integration, but not the perspective of full integration.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should provide the EaP partner countries with a necessary technical assistance without affecting the political and economic foundations of these countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should support the growth in the mobility of individuals from the EaP partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should strengthen the role of non-state actors in the framework of the EaP initiative.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should consider the principle "more-for-more" as a foundation of the EaP initiative.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

11. Name the three most important policy areas that should be covered by the EaP initiative in the next five years?

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12. Select three policy areas of the EaP initiative where you think the funding should preferably go in the next five years.

- comprehensive institution building
- regional development programs
- integrated border management program
- SME facility
- regional energy market and energy efficiency
- prevention of, preparedness for, and response to natural and man-made disasters
- initiatives to promote good environmental governance
- cultural programs
- participation of EaP countries in EU community programs (e.g. Erasmus+, Tempus, e-Twinning, Jean Monnet, etc.)
- I don't know

other (please specify)

13. To what extent do you agree with the following statements about the future development of the EaP initiative in the next five years?

	agree	somewhat agree	somewhat disagree	disagree	I don't know
At least one more partner country will sign the Association Agreement with the EU.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trade turnover between the EU and partner countries will increase significantly.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
At least one partner country will obtain the EU candidate status.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative will become more divided between those countries willing to deepen their integration and those opposing it.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative will not achieve any tangible results and will need to undergo restructuring.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Some of the EaP partner countries will leave the initiative.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. What should be the consequences of the events in Ukraine for the EaP initiative?

	agree	somewhat agree	somewhat disagree	disagree	I don't know
Nothing should change.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU member states should devote more attention to the EaP initiative.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EaP initiative should become a flagship of the EU external policy.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should focus only on certain EaP partner countries and not on the EaP initiative as such.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The EU should increase financial support for the EaP partner countries.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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15. Do you have any other comments, questions, or concerns regarding the questionnaire or the research?