1. INFORMATION AND SERIOUSNESS OF WATER-RELATED PROBLEMS

Q1. How informed do you feel about problems facing groundwater, lakes and rivers in [OUR COUNTRY]?

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Fieldwork: 05/03-08/03/2012

2. IMPACT OF VARIOUS FACTORS ON THE STATUS OF WATER

Q2. Would you say that the following is a very serious problem, a fairly serious problem, not a very serious problem or not a serious problem at all in [OUR COUNTRY]?

- Floods: 79% very serious, 20% fairly serious, 1% not very serious
- Droughts/overconsumption of water: 75% very serious, 23% fairly serious, 2% not very serious
- Water quality problems: 68% very serious, 29% fairly serious, 3% not very serious

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Q4. Can you please tell me how much impact you think each of the following has on the status (quality and quantity) of water in [OUR COUNTRY]? Does it have a large impact, a moderate impact, a little impact or no impact at all?

- Pesticides and fertilizers in agriculture: 50% large impact, 40% moderate impact, 5% little impact, 3% no impact
- Households' water consumption and waste water: 87% large impact, 8% moderate impact, 3% little impact, 2% no impact
- Shipping - ports, canals, spills: 77% large impact, 13% moderate impact, 3% little impact, 2% no impact
- Overuse of water in agriculture: 75% large impact, 15% moderate impact, 5% little impact, 3% no impact
- Energy production - hydropower, cooling water: 64% large impact, 18% moderate impact, 5% little impact, 3% no impact
- Tourism: 51% large impact, 35% moderate impact, 12% little impact, 3% no impact

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Total 'A large impact' | A little impact | No impact at all | Don't know
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3. THE PRICE OF WATER

Q7. Do you think or not that all water users should be charged for the volume of water they use?

- Yes, in all cases: 51%
- Yes, but with measures to offset possible negative social effects: 42%
- No: 9%
- Don’t know: 13%

EU27: Outer pie, NL: Inner pie

Q8. Do you totally agree, tend to agree, tend to disagree or totally disagree with the following statement: The price should reflect the environmental impact of water use, i.e., water should be more expensive if its use has a greater impact on the environment.

- Total ‘Agree’: 72%
- Total ‘Disagree’: 26%
- Don’t know: 61%

EU27: Outer pie, NL: Inner pie

4. TACKLING WATER PROBLEMS

Q10. In your opinion, which of the following would be the most effective ways of tackling water problems?

- Providing more information on the environmental consequences of water use: 67%
- Introducing heavier fines for offenders: 60%
- Implementing a fair pricing policy: 57%
- Ensuring higher financial incentives (for example tax breaks, subsidies) for efficient water use: 57%
- Ensuring better enforcement of existing water legislation: 50%
- Increasing taxation on water-damaging activities: 47%
- Introducing stricter water legislation: 47%

EU27: Outer pie, NL: Inner pie

Q11. Do you think the EU should propose additional measures to address water problems in Europe?

- Total ‘Yes’: 77%
- Total ‘No’: 19%
- Don’t know: 8%

EU27: Outer pie, NL: Inner pie