

Codebook

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EU Candidate Countries and Ukraine

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This dataset provides the data for the 2014 Chapel Hill Expert Survey of EU candidate countries and Ukraine. It provides the positioning of 62 political parties on political ideology, European integration, and policy positions in 7 countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Ukraine. The survey was administered in 2014 and 2015 to 125 experts specializing in political parties and European integration in one of the countries considered.

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General Questions

COUNTRY = unique identifier for each country.

CNAME = country name (in English).

Country ID	Country Abbreviation	Country
30	BIH	Bosnia and Herzegovina
32	MKD	Macedonia
33	SER	Serbia
41	ALB	Albania
42	KOS	Kosovo
43	MNE	Montenegro
44	UKR	Ukraine

PARTY_ID = unique identifier for each party.

PARTY_NAME = party abbreviation.

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Country	Party ID	Party Abbrev	Party Name	Party Name (English)	
BIH	3001	SDA	Stranka Demokratske Akcije	Party of Democratic Action	
	3003	SDP	Socijaldemokratska Partija Bosne i Hercegovine	Social Democratic Party of Bosnia and Herzegovina	
	3004	HDZ BiH	Hrvatska Demokratska Zajednica Bosne i Hercegovine	Croatian Democratic Union of BiH	
	3005	HDZ 1990	Hrvatska Demokratska Zajednica 1990	Croatian Democratic Union 1990	
	3006	SNSD	Savez nezavisnih socijaldemokrata	Alliance of Independent Social Democrats	
	3007	SDS	Srpska Demokratska Stranka	Serb Democratic Party	
	3008	DF	Demokratska Fronta	Democratic Front	
	3009	SBB BiH	Savez za bolju budućnost BiH	Union for a Better Future of BiH	
	3010	BPS	Bosanskohercegovačka Patriotska Stranka	Bosnian-Herzegovian Patriotic Party	
	3011	PDP	Partija Demokratskog progressa	Party of Democratic Progress	
	3012	NDP	Narodni Demokratski Pokret	People's Democratic Movement	
	3013	DNS	Demokratski Narodni Savez	Democratic People's Alliance	
	MKD	3201	VMRO-DPMNE	VMRO-DPMNE-koalicija "Za podobra Makedonija"	VMRO-DPMNE-led coalition "For a Better Macedonia"
		3202	SDSM	SDSM-koalicija	SDSM-led coalition
		3204	DUI	Bashkimi Demokratik për Integrim/ Demokratska Unija za Integracija	Democratic Union for Integration
		3205	DPA	Partia Demokratike Shqiptare/ Demokratska Partija na Albancite	Democratic Party of Albanians
3208		GROM	Gragjanska opcija za Makedonija-koalicija	Citizen Option for Macedonia-led coalition	
3209		NDP	Rilindja Demokratike Kombëtare/ Nacionalna Demokratska Prerodba	National Democratic Revival	
3302		DS	Demokratska Stranka	Democratic Party	
3303		DSS	Demokratska Stranka Srbije	Democratic Party of Serbia	
3307		SPS	Socijalistička Partija Srbije	Socialist Party of Serbia	
3308		LDP	Liberalno-demokratska Partija	Liberal Democratic Party	
SER	3310	SNS	Srpska Napredna Stranka	Serbian progressive party	
	3311	SDP	Socijaldemokratska partija Srbije	Social Democratic Party of Serbia	
	3312	PUPS	Partija Ujedinjenih Penzionera Srbije	Party of United Pensioners of Serbia	
	3313	SDS	Socijaldemokratska Stranka	Socialdemocratic Party	
	3314	LSV	Liga socijaldemokrata Vojvodine	League of Social Democrats of Vojvodina	
	3315	Dveri	Dveri	Dveri	
	4101	PS	Partia Socialiste e Shqipërisë	Socialist Party of Albania	
	4102	LSI	Levizja Socialiste për Integrim	Socialist Movement for Integration	
	4103	PBDNJ	Partia Bashkimi për të Drejtat e Njeriut	Unity for Human Rights Party	
	4104	PKDSH	Partia Kristian Demokrate e Shqipërisë	Christian Democratic Party of Albania	
	4105	PD	Partia Demokratike e Shqipërisë	Democratic Party of Albania	
	4106	PR	Partia Republikane Shqiptare	Albanian Republican Party	
	4107	PDIU	Partia Drejtësi, Integrim dhe Unitet	Justice, Integration and Unity Party	

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PARTY = party abbreviation (continued from previous page)

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KOS	4201	PDK	Partia Demokratike e Kosovës	Democratic Party of Kosovo
	4202	LDK	Lidhja Demokratike e Kosovës	Democratic League of Kosovo
	4203	LV	Lëvizja Vetëvendosje!	Self-Determination Movement!
	4204	AAK	Aleanca për Ardhmërinë e Kosovës	Alliance for the Future of Kosovo
	4205	SL	Srpska Lista	Serb List
	4206	NPK	Nisma për Kosovën	Initiative for Kosovo
	4207	AKR	Aleanca Kosova e Re	New Kosovo Alliance
	4301	DPS	Demokratska Partija Socijalista Crne Gore	Democratic Party of Socialists of Montenegro
	4302	SDP	Socijaldemokratska Partija Crne Gore	Social Democratic Party of Montenegro
	4303	LPCG	Liberalna Partija Crne Gore	Liberal Party of Montenegro
	4304	NOVA	Nova srpska demokratija	New Serb Democracy
	4305	PzP	Pokret za Promjene	Movement for Changes
	4306	SNP	Socijalistička narodna partija Crne Gore	Socialist People's Party of Montenegro
	4307	PCG	Pozitivna Crna Gora	Positive Montenegro
UKR	4308	BS	Bošnjačka Stranka	Bosniak Party
	4401	NF	Narodnyy Front	Popular Front
	4402	BPP	Blok Petra Poroshenka	Petro Poroshenko Bloc
	4403	SAMOPOMICH	Samopomich	Self Reliance Party
	4404	OB	Opozytsiyny Blok	Opposition Bloc
	4405	RP	Radikalna Partiya Oleha Lyashka	Radical Party of Oleh Lyashko
	4406	BATKIVSHCHYNA	Batkivshchyna	All-Ukrainian Union "Fatherland"
	4407	SVOBODA	Svoboda	Freedom
	4408	KPU	Komunistychna Partiya Ukrayiny	Communist Party of Ukraine
	4409	SU	Sylna Ukraina	Strong Ukraine
	4410	GP	Hromadianskapozytsiia (Anatolii Grytsenko)	Civic Position (Anatolii Grytsenko)
	4411	ZASTUP	Vseukrayins'ke ahrarne ob'yednannya "ZASTUP"	Zastup
	4412	PS	Pravyi sektor	Right Sector

Entries for the questions on the following pages are the mean of expert responses for a particular party.

General Questions on European Integration

MEMBERSHIP = overall orientation of the party leadership towards membership of the European Union in 2014.

- 1 = Strongly opposed
- 2 = Opposed
- 3 = Somewhat opposed
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Somewhat in favor
- 6 = In favor
- 7 = Strongly in favor

EU_SALIENCE = relative salience of European integration in the party's public stance in 2014.

- 0 = European Integration is of no importance.
- :
- 10 = European Integration is of great importance.

EU_POSITION_SD = standard deviation of expert placement of overall orientation of the party leadership towards European integration in 2014.

EU_DISSENT = degree of dissent on European integration in 2014.

- 0 = Party was completely united.
- :
- 10 = Party was extremely divided.

REQUIRE_ECON = position of the party leadership in 2014 on fulfilling the economic requirements of EU membership

- 1 = Strongly opposes
- 2 = Opposes
- 3 = Somewhat opposes
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Somewhat favors
- 6 = Favors
- 7 = Strongly favors

REQUIRE_POL = position of the party leadership in 2014 on fulfilling the political requirements of EU membership (treatment of ethnic minorities, women's rights, and/or holding accountable those accused of war crimes)

- 1 = Strongly opposes
- 2 = Opposes
- 3 = Somewhat opposes
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Somewhat favors
- 6 = Favors
- 7 = Strongly favors

REQUIRE_GOV = position of the party leadership in 2014 on fulfilling the good governance requirements of EU membership (administrative transparency, accountability, civil service reform and judicial reform).

- 1 = Strongly opposes
- 2 = Opposes
- 3 = Somewhat opposes
- 4 = Neutral
- 5 = Somewhat favors
- 6 = Favors
- 7 = Strongly favors

Ideological Questions

LRGEN = position of the party in 2014 in terms of its overall ideological stance.

- 0 = Extreme left
- :
- 5 = Center
- :
- 10 = Extreme right

LRGEN_SD = standard deviation of expert placement of the party in 2014 in terms of its overall ideological stance.

LRECON = position of the party in 2014 in terms of its ideological stance on economic issues. Parties can be classified in terms of their stance on economic issues. Parties on the economic left want government to play an active role in the economy. Parties on the economic right emphasize a reduced economic role for government: privatization, lower taxes, less regulation, less government spending, and a leaner welfare state.

0 = extreme left
:
5 = center
:
10 = extreme right

LRECON_SALIENCE = relative salience of economic issues in the party's public stance in 2014.

0 = No importance.
:
10 = Great importance.

LRECON_SD = standard deviation of expert placement of the party in 2014 in terms of its ideological stance on economic issues.

GALTAN = position of the party in 2014 in terms of their views on democratic freedoms and rights. "Libertarian" or "postmaterialist" parties favor expanded personal freedoms, for example, access to abortion, active euthanasia, same-sex marriage, or greater democratic participation. "Traditional" or "authoritarian" parties often reject these ideas; they value order, tradition, and stability, and believe that the government should be a firm moral authority on social and cultural issues.

0 = Libertarian/Postmaterialist
:
5 = center
:
10 = Traditional/Authoritarian

GALTAN_SALIENCE = relative salience of libertarian/traditional issues in the party's public stance in 2014.

0 = No importance.
:
10 = Great importance.

GALTAN_SD = standard deviation of expert placement of the party in 2014 in terms of their views on democratic freedoms and rights.

Policy Dimensions

SPENDVTAX = position on improving public services vs. reducing taxes.

0 = Fully in favour of raising taxes to increase public services
:
10 = Fully in favour of cutting public services to cut taxes.

DEREGULATION = position on deregulation.

0 = Strongly opposes deregulation of markets
:
10 = Strongly supports deregulation of markets

REDISTRIBUTION = position on redistribution of wealth from the rich to the poor.

0 = Fully in favor of redistribution
:
10 = Fully opposed to redistribution

ECON_INTERVEN = position on state intervention in the economy.

0 = Fully in favor of state intervention
:
10 = Fully opposed to state intervention

CIVLIB_LAWORDER = position on civil liberties vs. law and order.

0 = Strongly promotes civil liberties
:
10 = Strongly supports tough measures to fight crime

SOCIALLIFESTYLE = position on social lifestyle (e.g. homosexuality).

0 = Strongly supports liberal policies
:
10 = Strongly opposes liberal policies

RELIGIOUS_PRINCIPLE = position on role of religious principles in politics.

0 = Strongly opposes religious principles in politics
:
10 = Strongly supports religious principles in politics

IMMIGRATE_POLICY = position on immigration policy.

0 = Fully opposed to a restrictive policy on immigration
:
10 = Fully in favor of a restrictive policy on immigration

MULTICULTURALISM = position on integration of immigrants and asylum seekers (multiculturalism vs. assimilation).

0 = Strongly favors multiculturalism
:
10 = Strongly favors assimilation

URBAN_RURAL = position on urban vs. rural interests.

0 = Strongly supports urban interests
:
10 = Strongly supports rural interests

ENVIRONMENT = position towards the environment.

0 = Strongly supports environmental protection even at the cost of economic growth
:
10 = Strongly supports economic growth even at the cost of environmental protection

REGIONS = position on political decentralization to regions/localities.

0 = Strongly favors political decentralization
:
10 = Strongly opposes political decentralization

INTERNATIONAL_SECURITY = position towards international security and peacekeeping missions.

0 = Strongly favors **COUNTRY** troop deployment
:
10 = Strongly opposes **COUNTRY** troop deployment

ETHNIC_MINORITIES = position towards ethnic minorities.

0 = Strongly supports more rights for ethnic minorities
:
10 = Strongly opposes more rights for ethnic minorities

NATIONALISM = position towards nationalism.

0 = Strongly promotes cosmopolitan rather than nationalist conceptions of society
:
10 = Strongly promotes nationalist rather than cosmopolitan conceptions of society

Salience

ANTIELITE_SALIENCE = salience of anti-establishment and anti-elite rhetoric.

0 = Not important at all
:
10 = Extremely important

CORRUPT_SALIENCE = salience of reducing political corruption.

0 = Not important at all
:
10 = Extremely important

Ukraine-specific questions

Given the particular situation in Ukraine in 2014, the Ukraine survey includes 5 Ukraine-specific questions that were asked only in this country:

CONFLICT_RES = party leadership position on the resolution of the conflict in the regions of Donetsk and Luhansk

0 = The regions should be fully reintegrated into Ukraine
:
10 = The regions should be allowed to become independent

REGION_STATUS = party leadership position on the status of the regions of Donetsk and Luhansk

0 = The regions should remain regular 'oblast' in Ukraine with equal status as the others
:
10 = The regions should have special status, becoming autonomous republics in Ukraine

LANGUAGES = party leadership position on state languages

0 = Russian and Ukrainian should both be state languages
:
10 = Ukrainian should be the only state language. Russian should not be used for state/official functions anywhere in Ukraine.

RUSSIA_ROLE = party leadership view of the role of the Russian Federation in the conflict in Ukraine

0 = Russia is not militarily involved
:
10 = Regular Russian troops are fighting in Ukraine on the orders of Russia.

OLIGARCHS = image of the party in society based on its leadership, financing and supporting networks

0 = The party is completely free from the influence of oligarchs
:
10 = The party is completely controlled by oligarchs.

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