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## SUMMARY COUNTRY ANALYSIS

Between June and July 2018, Europeans were interviewed about their attitudes towards development aid. This factsheet presents highlights of the findings from respondents in Romania.

Respondents in Romania are the least likely in the EU to be personally involved in helping people in developing countries. Almost nine in ten (89%) respondents say they are not personally involved – an increase of three points since 2016. Although more than four in ten respondents (45%) in Romania agree that as an individual they can play a role in tackling poverty in developing countries, this is a decline of four points since 2016.

In spite of this, more than eight in ten (84%) respondents in Romania say helping people in developing countries is important. The majority also say tackling poverty in developing countries should be one of the main priorities of the EU (73%), or of their national government (54%).

Just over three-quarters (76%) of respondents in Romania think private companies should have an important role in the sustainable development of developing countries.

Two-thirds of respondents in Romania say providing financial assistance to developing countries is an effective way to address irregular migration (66%) – slightly below the EU average of 69%.

Just over seven in ten (71%) respondents in Romania think providing financial assistance to developing countries is an effective way to tackle poverty, which represents a decline of four points since 2016. Just over three in ten (31%) say more money should be spent to support developing countries – an increase of three points since 2016. Four in ten (40%) think spending should continue at current levels, while 18% think it should decrease.

More than seven in ten (72%) respondents in Romania think EU development policy should also focus on equality between women and men – one of the lowest proportions in the EU. These respondents think priority areas should be tackling violence against women and girls (70%), supporting access to education for women and girls (56%) and tackling discriminative attitudes towards women (51%). Respondents in Romania are amongst the least likely to mention tackling discriminative attitudes towards women.

Respondents in Romania are most likely to get information about development aid from TV (73%), online social networks (24%) or through relatives, colleagues or friends (23%). They are amongst the least likely to mention national newspapers (11%) or other websites (14%).

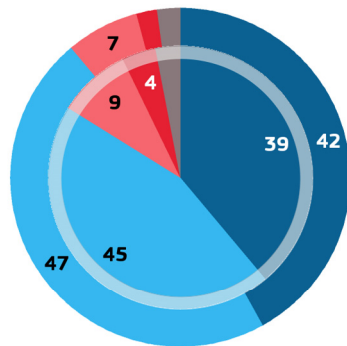
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## 1. IMPORTANCE OF AND ATTITUDES TOWARDS DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AND AID

**QC1** In your opinion, is it very important, fairly important, not very important or not at all important to help people in developing countries? (%)

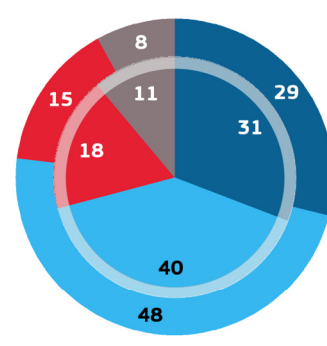


EU28  Outer pie RO  Inner pie

	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Very important	42	=	39	+ 3
Fairly important	47	=	45	- 6
Not very important	7	=	9	- 1
Not at all important	2	=	4	+ 3
Don't know	2	=	3	+ 1

Evolution 2017-2016

**QC3** The EU and its Member States provide financial assistance to developing countries. Which of the following statements best describes your opinion? (%)



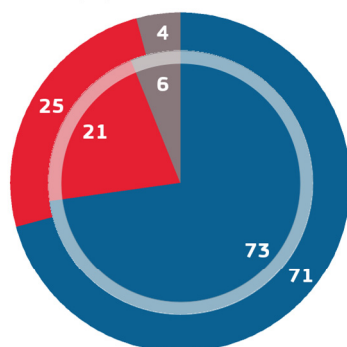
EU28  Outer pie RO  Inner pie

	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
We should spend more money in support of developing countries	29	+ 7	31	+ 3
We should continue spending as we do	48	- 4	40	- 2
We should spend less money in support of developing countries	15	- 1	18	- 3
Don't know	8	- 2	11	+ 2

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**QC4.2** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Tackling poverty in developing countries should be one of the main priorities of the EU (%)**



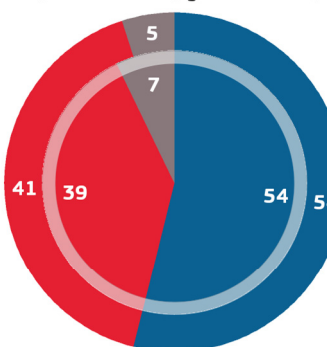
EU28  Outer pie RO  Inner pie



	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	71	+ 3	73	- 1
Total 'Disagree'	25	- 3	21	=
Don't know	4	=	6	+ 1

Evolution 2017-2016

**QC4.3** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Tackling poverty in developing countries should be one of the main priorities of the (NATIONALITY) government (%)**



EU28  Outer pie RO  Inner pie

	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	54	+ 3	54	+ 3
Total 'Disagree'	41	- 4	39	- 5
Don't know	5	+ 1	7	+ 2

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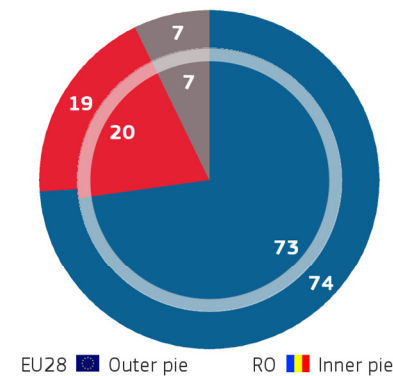
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## 2. BENEFITS OF DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AND AID

**QC4.4** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Tackling poverty in developing countries has a positive influence on EU citizens as well (%)**

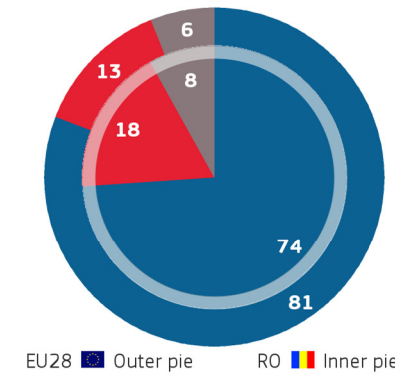


	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	74	=	73	- 3
Total 'Disagree'	19	=	20	+ 2
Don't know	7	=	7	+ 1

Evolution 2017-2016

**QC4.5** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Tackling poverty in developing countries is also in the EU's own interest (e.g. by creating trade opportunities or better access to energy and raw materials) (%)**

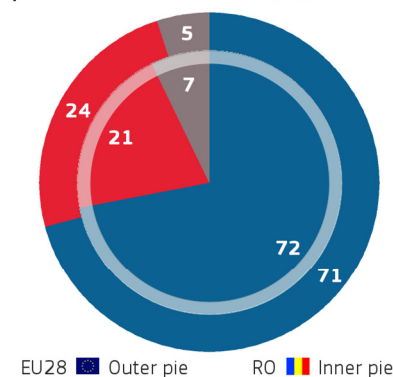


	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	81	- 1	74	- 3
Total 'Disagree'	13	=	18	+ 1
Don't know	6	+ 1	8	+ 2

Evolution 2017-2016

**QC4.7** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Providing financial assistance to developing countries contributes to a more peaceful and fairer world (%)**

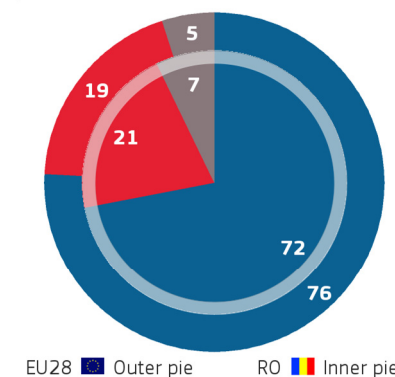


	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	71	- 1	72	- 2
Total 'Disagree'	24	=	21	=
Don't know	5	+ 1	7	+ 2

Evolution 2017-2016

**QC4.6** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Tackling poverty in developing countries is a moral obligation for the EU (%)**



	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	76	- 2	72	=
Total 'Disagree'	19	+ 1	21	- 1
Don't know	5	+ 1	7	+ 1

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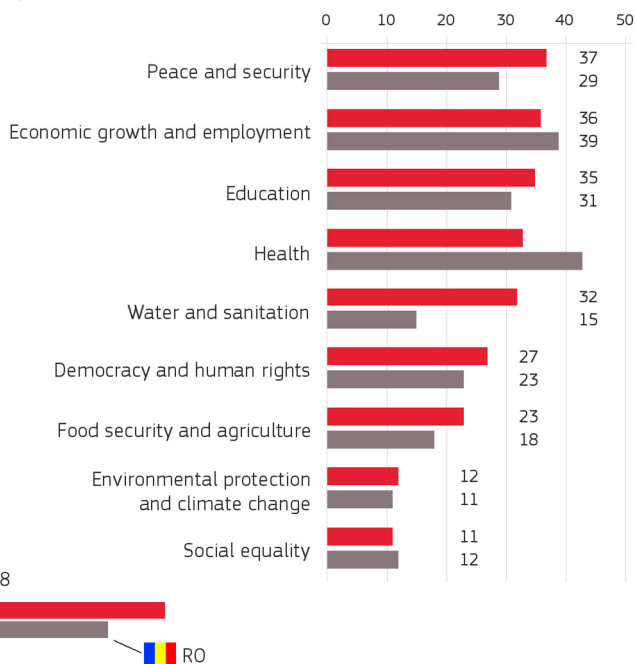
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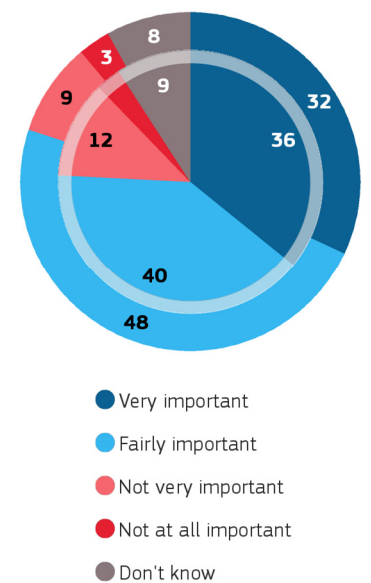
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### 3. UNDERSTANDING CHALLENGES AND PRIORITIES

**QC2** Which of the following challenges do you consider the most pressing for the future of developing countries? (MAX. 3 ANSWERS)  
(%)



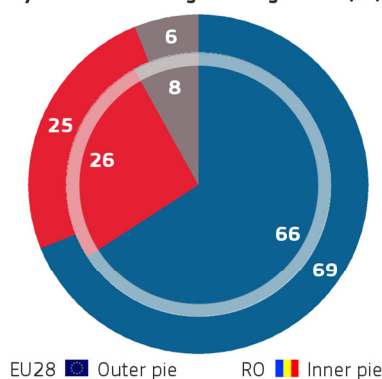
**QC9** In your opinion, how important do you think the role of private companies in the sustainable development of developing countries should be?  
(%)



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**QC4.8** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Providing financial assistance to developing countries is an effective way to address irregular migration (%)**



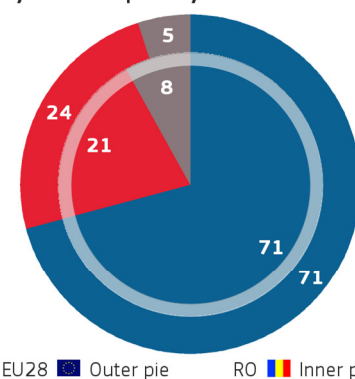
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	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	69	+ 1	66	=
Total 'Disagree'	25	- 1	26	=
Don't know	6	=	8	=

Evolution 2017-2016

**QC4.9** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**Providing financial assistance to developing countries is an effective way to tackle poverty in these countries (%)**



EU28 Outer pie RO Inner pie

	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	71	=	71	- 4
Total 'Disagree'	24	- 1	21	+ 1
Don't know	5	+ 1	8	+ 3

Evolution 2017-2016

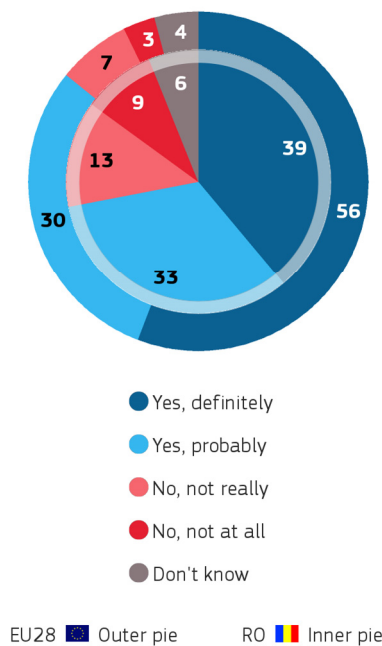
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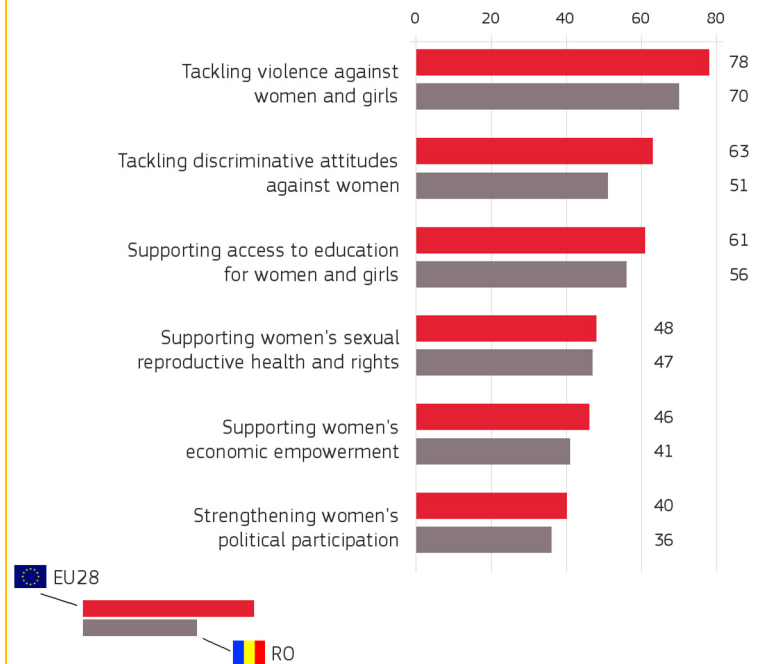
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### 3. UNDERSTANDING CHALLENGES AND PRIORITIES

**QC7** Do you think that European Union development policy should also focus on equality between women and men?  
(%)

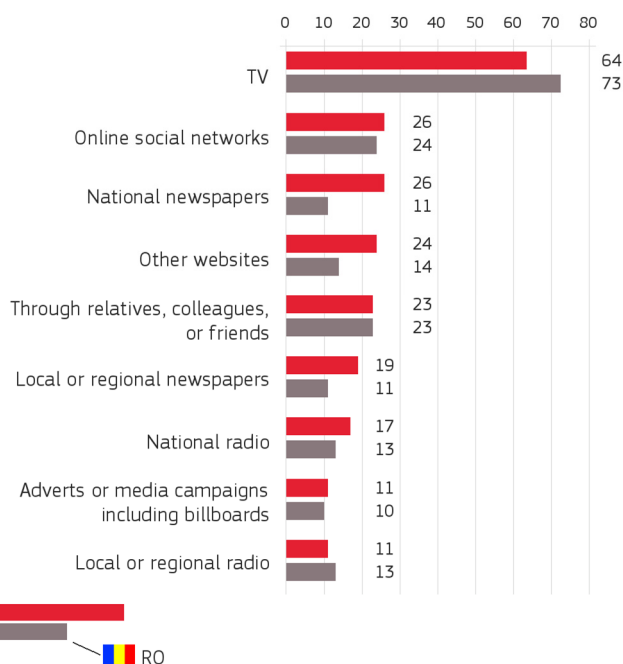


**QC8** And which of the following areas should be prioritised?  
(MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)  
(%)



### 4. SOURCES OF INFORMATION RELATED TO DEVELOPMENT ISSUES

**QC6T** From which sources do you get information related to development issues? Firstly? And then? (MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)  
(%)



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(%)

	EU28	RO
Answer: TV		
TOTAL	64	73
<b>Age</b>		
15-24	51	51
25-39	60	75
40-54	64	73
55+	71	79
<b>Respondent occupation scale</b>		
Self-employed	58	77
Managers	59	63
Other white collars	64	71
Manual workers	65	77
House persons	67	70
Unemployed	59	60
Retired	72	80
Students	52	43

Socio-demographic breakdown

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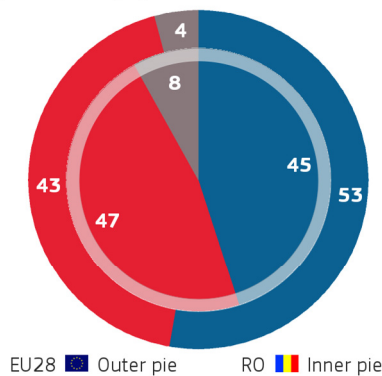
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## 5. PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO AND INVOLVEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT

**QC4.1** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**As an individual, you can play a role in tackling poverty in developing countries (%)**



● Total 'Agree'  
● Total 'Disagree'  
● Don't know

Evolution 2017-2016

	EU28		RO	
	2017	2017-2016	2017	2017-2016
Total 'Agree'	53	- 1	45	- 4
Total 'Disagree'	43	+ 1	47	+ 1
Don't know	4	=	8	+ 3

**QC4.1** To what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

**As an individual, you can play a role in tackling poverty in developing countries (%)**

Answer: Total 'Agree'

	EU28	RO
TOTAL	53	45
<b>Age</b>		
15-24	61	52
25-39	59	55
40-54	55	46
55+	46	35
<b>Education (End of)</b>		
15-	42	33
16-19	50	45
20+	60	49
Still studying	64	56

Socio-demographic breakdown

**QC5** Are you personally involved in helping developing countries in any of the following ways? (MULTIPLE ANSWERS POSSIBLE)  
(%)

