Detailed Methodology

• The survey was conducted on behalf of the Center for Insights in Survey Research by Ipsos Hungary Zrt.

• Data was collected between November 30 and December 20, 2017 through face-to-face interviews.

• Sample size: (n=1,128).

• Margin of error: Plus or minus 3.20 percent with 95 percent confidence level.

• The sample is comprised of Hungarian citizens aged 18 years and older.

• Regions included in the sample are: Central Hungary; Central Transdanubia; Western Transdanubia; Southern Transdanubia; Northern Hungary; Northern Great Plain; and the Southern Great Plain. The sample includes both urban and rural inhabitants. Inhabitants of poorly accessible, remote parts of the country (comprising approximately 1% percent of the population) were excluded from the sample.

• The sample design was a three-stage, random sample.
  • Stage One: Primary sampling unit—settlements
  • Stage Two: Secondary sampling unit—addresses
  • Stage Three: Tertiary sampling unit—respondent (selected individuals within randomly selected address by using quotas based on age and gender).

• Figures in charts and tables may not add to up 100 percent due to rounding error and/or multiple choice answers.
General Perceptions: State of the Country
Overall, would you say that Hungary is heading in the right or wrong direction?

- Right direction: 38%
- Wrong direction: 58%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 4%
In your opinion, what is the most urgent problem facing Hungary? (Open-ended, first answer)

- Immigration control/migrant crisis: 19%
- Healthcare: 17%
- Low standard of living/Wages: 11%
- Unemployment and jobs: 10%
- Poverty and social inequality: 8%
- Corruption: 6%
- Pensions: 4%
- Economy: 3%
- Government/Victor Orban-Fidesz/Elections: 3%
- Migration of young people/skilled workers: 2%
- Relationship with EU: 2%
- Education and the school system: 2%
- Domestic politics: 2%
- George Soros's case/Soros's plan: 2%
- Other: 9%
- Don't know: 1%
To what extent is democracy functioning in Hungary?

- Very well: 7%
- Somewhat well: 32%
- Not very well: 34%
- Not well at all: 22%
- Don't Know/Refused to answer: 5%
What is the most important reason democracy is functioning well in Hungary?
(Respondents who stated that democracy functions somewhat or very well: n=440; open-ended; multiple answers)

1. Freedom of speech/Freedom of expression - 21%
2. The Government/Leadership performs its job well - 19%
3. Free elections - 10%
4. People are asked about their opinion - 7%
5. The rule of law - 5%
6. The solidarity/harmony among people - 4%
7. Referenda/One can vote about everything - 3%
8. The Prime Minister's/Viktor Orbán's merit - 2%
9. The economic situation/Strong economy - 2%
10. Freedom of press - 2%
11. It is not functioning well - 1%
12. Don't know/Refused to answer - 16%
13. Other - 17%
What is the most important reason democracy is not functioning well in Hungary?
(Respondents who stated that democracy does not function very well or not at all: n=634; open-ended; multiple answers)

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Perceptions of Institutions
To what degree do each of these institutions, through their work and activities, contribute to solving problems in Hungary?

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On a scale of 1 to 5 (where 1 = fully trust and 5 = do not trust at all), how much do you trust the following institutions to uphold democratic standards in your country?

- **The army**
  - Fully trust: 18%
  - Trust: 34%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 26%
  - Do not trust: 10%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 9%
- **The police**
  - Fully trust: 14%
  - Trust: 33%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 32%
  - Do not trust: 12%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 9%
- **Civil society**
  - Fully trust: 9%
  - Trust: 31%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 33%
  - Do not trust: 15%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 9%
- **The civil service**
  - Fully trust: 9%
  - Trust: 29%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 33%
  - Do not trust: 16%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 11%
- **The Prime Minister**
  - Fully trust: 14%
  - Trust: 21%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 19%
  - Do not trust: 19%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 26%
- **The government**
  - Fully trust: 10%
  - Trust: 24%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 21%
  - Do not trust: 22%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 22%
- **Political parties**
  - Fully trust: 5%
  - Trust: 17%
  - Neither trust nor distrust: 31%
  - Do not trust: 28%
  - Don't know/Refused to answer: 18%
Would you say that Hungarian politics today are moving toward:

- More polarization: 65%
- More consensus: 21%
- No change: 4%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 10%
Do you think that the current polarization in Hungarian society is:
(Respondents who stated that Hungarian politics today are moving toward polarization: n=730)

- A good thing: 2%
- A bad thing: 10%
- Neither good nor bad: 18%
- Don’t know: 70%
If asked to make concessions on issues in order to make Hungarian politics more functional, on which types of issues should political leaders make these concessions, and on which issues should they refuse to compromise? (Respondents who stated that polarization is a bad thing: n=513)

- **National identity issues (Immigration, EU-Hungary issues etc.)**: 43% Make concessions, 51% Do not compromise
- **The roles, procedures, and powers of state institutions**: 56% Make concessions, 38% Do not compromise
- **Family issues**: 61% Make concessions, 32% Do not compromise
- **Economic issues (redistribution, taxes, etc.)**: 62% Make concessions, 32% Do not compromise
Hungarian Identity & Communist Past
To what extent do you think investigating the communist past is still relevant for Hungarian politics today?

- **Very irrelevant**: 35%
- **Somewhat irrelevant**: 27%
- **Somewhat relevant**: 23%
- **Very relevant**: 11%
- **Don't know/Refused to answer**: 4%
In your opinion, what is the most important attribute that makes someone Hungarian?

- 36% Being of Magyar descent
- 28% Residing in Hungary and paying taxes in the country
- 24% Being born in Hungary
- 3% Speaking fluent Hungarian
- 3% Other
- 3% Don’t know/Refused to answer
Foreign Affairs: Hungary’s Place in the World
When looking at Hungary’s position in the world, do you think Hungary is currently:

- In a very weak position in the world: 32%
- In a somewhat weak position in the world: 44%
- In a somewhat strong position in the world: 16%
- In a very strong position in the world: 4%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 5%
To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement? “Hungary’s interests are best served by maintaining strong relations with...”

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Respondents were given the following options: Strongly agree, Somewhat agree, Somewhat disagree, Strongly disagree, Don't know/Refused to answer.
Some people say that the best way to safeguard Hungary’s national interests in the EU is by building a strong V4 coalition consisting of Hungary, Poland, the Czech Republic, and Slovakia to counterbalance the power of Western Europe. Do you agree or disagree with that statement?

58% Agree
27% Disagree
15% Don’t know/Refused to answer
To what extent is Hungary’s NATO membership positive or negative for the country?

- Very positive: 18%
- Somewhat positive: 39%
- Neutral/Doesn’t matter: 29%
- Somewhat negative: 5%
- Very negative: 1%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 8%
Which one of these countries/institutions helps Hungary’s national interests the most?

- European Union: 30%
- Poland: 12%
- Russia: 10%
- Germany: 8%
- China: 5%
- United States of America: 3%
- None: 19%
- All: 10%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 3%

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Regardless of the historic differences between Russia and Hungary, to what extent would you agree or disagree that Vladimir Putin’s style of government is one that should be applied in Hungary?

- Strongly agree: 5%
- Somewhat agree: 18%
- Somewhat disagree: 26%
- Strongly disagree: 45%
- Don’t know/Refused to answer: 8%
Do you believe that European Union membership is a good thing for Hungary or not?

68% Yes
22% No
10% Don’t know/Refused to answer
What do you think is the most important aspect of the EU that functions well? (Open-ended; multiple answers)

- Material/Financial assistance for development of the state: 18%
- Economic development/Economic connections/Assistance: 15%
- Abolishing borders/Openness: 7%
- Free flow of labor force/Employment: 6%
- Unity/Solidarity/Support/Power: 6%
- Big market/Flow of goods and capital: 5%
- EU competitions/Developmental projects: 5%
- Joint policy (system/decisions/institutions): 3%
- Peace and safety: 2%
- Cooperation/Joint projects/Interests: 2%
- Free border crossing for EU members: 2%
- Monetary policy/Joint currency: 1%
- None: 7%
- Other: 5%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 23%
What do you think is the most important aspect of the EU that does not function well?
(Open-ended; multiple answers)

- Immigration control/Quotas for migrants: 20%
- Independence of countries/Interfering with internal: 5%
- Protection of the EU borders: 5%
- Divisions/Communication/Cooperation: 4%
- Inequality among EU countries: 4%
- Money distribution/Lack of the control of the money: 3%
- Low standard/Wages are not the same: 3%
- Insufficient assistance/Protection for small countries: 2%
- Economy/Industry/Agriculture have been ruined: 2%
- Bureaucracy: 2%
- Common currency: 2%
- Political issues: 2%
- Imposition of values system/They want to unify the: 2%
- Crime/Corruption/Laws/Lack of the control: 2%
- There is nothing that does not work well: 8%
- Other: 6%
- Everything/Many things: 1%
- None: 1%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 30%
If a referendum were held today on whether to stay in the EU, would you vote to:

- **Stay in the EU** 67%
- **Leave the EU** 17%
- **Would not vote** 10%
- **Don’t know/Refused to answer** 6%
Do you believe that being part of the European Union has brought economic benefits or harm to Hungarian citizens?

- It has brought benefits to most Hungarians: 41%
- It has brought benefits to some Hungarians but has harmed others: 32%
- It has not changed the situation: 10%
- It has brought more harm than benefits to Hungarians: 8%
- It has mostly hurt Hungarians economically: 5%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 4%
Some people say that “the West” (i.e. the United States and Western Europe) are not treating Hungary fairly. To what extent do you agree or disagree with that statement?

- Strongly agree: 18%
- Somewhat agree: 34%
- Somewhat disagree: 25%
- Totally disagree: 12%
- Don't know/Refused to answer: 11%
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