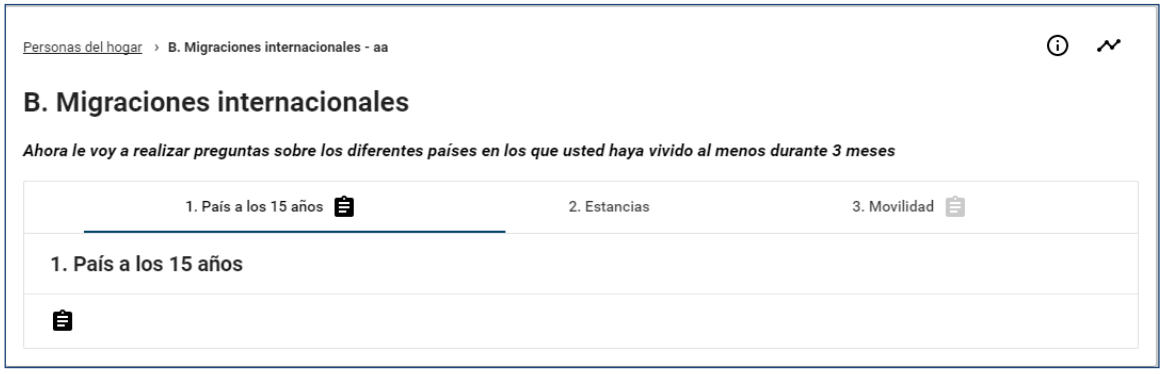
QUESTIONNAIRE MANUAL

MODULE B. INTERNATIONAL MIGRATIONS

Respondents:

Returned migrants; non-migrants only **questions B46 to B55**

- For RETs, the aim of this module is to identify their migratory trajectories. These trajectories are conformed by any stays spent in countries other than CoS, and in CoS after that, lasting 3 or more months. The trajectories are fully registered (registering all stays in a consecutive manner) since age 15. Then, the module inquires some details about the last stay in Europe (at LDC, starting at ylm) and the last return to CoS (atylr).
- For NMs, the module aims to find out whether they have ever been outside of CoS for a period of less than 3 months [UA: 2-month].
- For both RETs and NMs, the module also inquires about intentions and likelihood to migrate outside CoS.



** MIGRATORY EXPERIENCES BEFORE 15 **

Respondents:

Returned migrants only

Since migratory trajectories will be systematically documented after age 15 only, this group of questions obtains control information on whether R also lived abroad (for periods of 3 months or more [UA: 2-month]) before that age, in which countries and for how long in total in a summarized manner.

▪ B1. Whether living in CoS at 15

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: All - Input: Pick Y/N answer	- ***Rationale****: To provide starting point for residential mobility trajectory*

- **B1a. Country of residence at 15**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: those not living in CoS at 15 - Input: a) Type in country b) Pick continent and then country from list	

- **B1b. Arrival year in country of residence at 15**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: those not living in CoS at 15 - Input: type in	- Interviewer to encourage them to give an approximate date if they don't remember

- **B1c. Whether lived abroad before 15**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: all (different question wording for those who were living in CoS at 15 and those who were not). - Input: Select Y/N answer	- Question refers to stays of at least 3 months [UA: 2-month]

- **[NOT SN] B1d. Country/ies where lived before 15**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: those who lived abroad before 15 - Input: [MULTI-COUNTRY question] a) TYPING 1. Start typing the country name to browse the list, and check it 2. If more countries are mentioned, click on the X icon to clear the field and start typing the name of the following country. **3. To finalise, click on the ← icon, and then click ACCEPT** b) PICKING OPTIONS 1. Pick continent from list, and then check all countries mentioned in that continent **2.** To change continent, use the ↑ icon. 3. **To finalise, click on the ← icon, and then click ACCEPT** *VARIATION BY COUNTRIES:* » *SN: dropped*	- Question refers to stays of at least 3 months [UA: 2-month]

** B2-B5. RESIDENTIAL TRAJECTORY **

Respondents:

Returned migrants only

Definitions:

- STAY: one stay is defined by the country in which the person was living and its duration (starting in the moment of arrival and ending at the moment another stay in another country begins). The duration of any stay must be 3 months or longer [UA: 2-month].
- REPEATED SEQUENCE: period in which a person is/was going **back and forth (for stays of 3 months or more [UA: 2-month], but less than 1 year) between two countries.** E.g. a person living in Romania who went to Spain in 2007 to pick fruit for 4 months and then went back to Romania. The next year repeated the experience in Spain, although working for 5 months this time, and then went back to Romania again. The person repeated this pattern for four more years. The Repeated Sequence started then in 2007 and ended in the last return to Romania.

Basic description of section's rationale and dynamics:

The residential trajectory will register all country stays since age 15. The 1st stay of the trajectory corresponds to the country where the respondent lived at age 15 (information for this stay will be shown in the tablet). From there on, **the interviewer will proceed by asking where the respondent lived next (for a period of 3 months or more [UA: 2-month]) until we reach the current stay (in CoS)**. We will ask and list stay after stay, registering the country, the time of arrival and the reasons to migrate each time.

The **last stay** must correspond to CoS and start at the declared year of last return in the contact sheet (information for this stay will be shown in the tablet). The **stay before that one** must be at LDC and the year of arrival must be the declared year of last migration in the contact sheet.

Exceptions and particular situations:

The only exception to this pattern will be periods of "**Repeated sequence**": a period in which the person comes and goes between two countries for periods of 3 months or more but less than 1 year. In this case, instead of registering every single stay in these two countries, the whole period must be entered as one single stay. (Note: repeated sequences are composed of multiple stays in two different countries, but will be entered in the questionnaire as one single stay covering the whole back-and-forth period).

Since, when building the residential trajectory, the respondent will simply be asked "in which country did you live next", the respondent will likely start listing the individual stays of a repeated sequence separately. The interviewer needs to identify as soon as possible that there is a repeated sequence in order to adequately register it (otherwise the questionnaire will be ostensibly extended, since activities will also be asked for each single stay of the repeated sequence):

a) The interviewer will **emphasize the peculiarity of repeated sequences in the introduction to this module,** to prepare the respondent to identify such periods a priori: "*If at some point in your life (…) you were frequently changing places (for instance going to one country for a few months and then coming back to CoS) please let me know when we come to that period so that we take note*". The interviewer should directly ask whether this has happened to the respondent or not, and when, to be alert when that moment arrives in the residential trajectory.

b) Some respondents will spontaneously comment, for instance, "then I started going repeatedly to country B and A". This will give the interviewer the opportunity to confirm that the criteria are met, asking some more details if needed (e.g. "so you

were going every year to country B? For short periods? And then going back to country A every year?")

IDENTIFICATION OF REPEATED SEQUENCES:

- ✓ **two countries involved;**
- ✓ **stays of 3 months or more, but <1 year (in each country) [UA: 2-month]**
- ✓ **there are at least two consecutive pairs of stays: Country1-Country2; Country1-Country2**

HOW TO DEFINE/SEPARATE REPEATED SEQUENCES:

By selecting the option "Repeated sequence" the interviewer will be able to enter 2 countries instead of one.

1) **Country 1** will be defined by the country of the first stay of < 1 year length initiating the repeated pattern (for technical reasons, this cannot be CoS, in which case Country 1 and Country 2 will be switched)
2) The **start of the period** will be defined by the moment when that stay in Country 1 started.
3) The **end of the period** will be defined by the last stay of < 1 year within that repeated pattern (see Ex2 vs Ex 3). **However, in cases where the last EU migration and the last return are part of the repeated sequence**, they will be registered separately, as it is required by the app. In such case, the end of the Repeated Sequence will be defined by the start of the last EU migration (see Ex.5)

Table 1. Examples of trajectories and how to register them

Ex	SITUATION	Country 1	Country 2	Start	End (start of new period)
1	1) R left Argentina in June 2000 to work during the summer season in Spain, until October 2000. Then he returned to Argentina but kept going to Spain in the same way for three years. 2) In October 2003 R migrated to Germany *[note: either from Spain or from Argentina, indifferent]*, where he stayed… 3) … until he returned to Argentina in November 2010.	ES	AR	Jun 2000	Oct 2003
		DE		Oct 2003	Nov 2010
		AR		Nov 2010	--
2	**1)** R left Argentina in June 2000 to work during the summer season in Spain, until October 2000. Then R returned to Argentina but kept going to Spain in the same way for three more years. The **last stay in Spain ended in October 2003, and R returned to Argentina at that point.** **2) But R kept repeating the same pattern with Italy for 2 years, going there for the first time in June 2004.** **3)** Until R definitely returned to Argentina in October 2006.	ES	AR	Jun 2000	**Jun 2004**
		IT	AR	**Jun 2004**	Oct 2006
		AR		Oct 2006	--

3	1) R left Argentina in June 2000 to work during the summer season in Spain, until October 2000. Then R returned to Argentina but kept going to Spain in the same way for three more years. The last stay in Spain ended in October 2003, and R returned to Argentina at that point… **2) …and stayed in Argentina for one year** 3) After one year in Argentina, R started the same pattern of back-and-forth with Italy for 4 years, going there for the first time in June 2005 (R left for Italy usually on the fall and stayed 3-5 months each time). 4) Until R definitely returned to Argentina in October 2009.	ES / AR AR IT / AR AR	Jun 2000 **Oct 2003** June 2005 Oct 2009	**Oct 2003** June 2005 Oct 2009 --
4	1) R left Argentina in June 2000 **and lived in Spain for 2 years.** 2) In September 2002 R travelled to Argentina to start up a businesses and stayed for four months. Then he returned to Spain, but repeated annual trips of 3, 4 and 5 months to Argentina for the next four years. 3) Then R stayed in Spain another 2 years, before returning to Argentina.	ES AR / ES ES AR	Jun 2000 Sept 2002 2006 2008	Sept 2002 2006 2008 --
5	1) R left Argentina in June 2000 and lived in Spain for 2 years. **2)** In September 2002 he travelled to Argentina to start up a businesses and stayed for four months until January 2003. Then R returned to Spain, but has repeated annual trips of 3, 4 and 5 months to Argentina ever since, **and up until today. (Note: this includes the last stay and the previous one) →** **Currently, the person is in Argentina since October 2016 (LAST STAY must be noted as a separate stay even when it is part of a REPEATED SEQUENCE)**	ES AR / ES AR	Jun 2000 Sept 2002 Oct 2016	Sept 2002 Oct 2016 --

The following questions (with *) will be repeated for every single stay or repeated sequence period:

- ***B3. Country**

	Mechanics	*Clarifications*
1st stay/ row	- Question type : **Automatically fulfilled** by tablet (= country at 15)	- This will be the starting point for all trajectories. Simply confirm the information displayed by the tablet. If this information is to be edited, the interviewer will be prompted to edit also the previous answers affected
Rest of stays/ rows	- Question type : Spontaneous answer - Input: Pick from list. If "**Another country**" selected: a) Type in country b) Pick continent and then country from list	- The **last stay must** be in CoS - The last migration to the EU should be to the country declared in the contact sheet, and it should be immediately followed by the return to CoS declared in the CS - Since the last stay (current stay in CoS) is already shown by the tablet, the interviewer only has to confirm that the sequence is correct
	- If **9.Repeated sequence"** selected: select 2 countries. Country 1 is the country with the first stay of < 1 year length initiating the repeated pattern (but it cannot be CoS for technical reasons; in that case, just switch Country 1 and Country 2)	- The **last EU migration and the return to CoS after that** might be part of a repeated sequence. However, they must be always registered separately (as shown automatically by the tablet).

- ***B4. Year and month of arrival**

	Mechanics	*Clarifications*
1st stay/ row	- Question type : **Automatically fulfilled by tablet** ▪ For those living in CoS at the time = year at 15 ▪ For those not living in another country at 15 = year when arrived in that country	- This will be the starting point for all trajectories. Simply confirm the information displayed by the tablet.
Rest of stays/ rows	- Question type: spontaneous answer - Input: MONTH: pick from the list. BE AWARE: Although DK/DA are available, it is **VERY IMPORTANT to insist in providing a month** (even if approximate) or the app will assign a reference period (quarter), losing accuracy and potentially causing trouble later on. The stays without month will show up as T1, T2, etc (=quarters), of the corresponding year YEAR: Type in. If the person **doesn't remember the year,** ask for and enter AGE (at the time) instead.	- MONTH. If R **doesn't remember the month, having an approximate one is enough**. To help remember, the interviewer can: • Ask about the season (i.e. what clothes did you wear? Were the children going to school?) and enter the middle month of that season (April, July, October, January). • Ask about approximately how long was the previous stay... - Since the **last return from the EU** is already shown by the tablet, the interviewer only has to confirm that the sequence is correct and **ask and input the month of arrival**. The tablet will not allow to continue without these.
	- If 9. REPEATED SEQUENCE: enter month and year when this sequence started	- The **start of the sequence** is the start of the first stay (< 1 year) in Country1 - The **end of the sequence** (and start of next period) is the start of the next stay lasting > 1 year or in a different country

- ***B5. Reason**

	Mechanics	*Clarifications*
1st stay/ row	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT APPLICABLE
Rest of stays/ rows	- Question type: For each migration, read options - Input: pick up to 2 reason(s) from list.	- Beware that we will be asking later in detail about the reasons for the last migration (B21) and the last return (B38). Therefore: • If the respondent starts explaining in detail, kindly point out that we will ask him/her more in detail in a bit, but here we only need him/her to pick up 1-2 of these four reasons. • If R is unsure of which option to pick, ask him/her to summarize the reason briefly, and that then we'll comment more in detail. • Try to keep in mind the information R provides at this stage for the questions on detailed reasons that come later. - Since the **last stay (current stay in CoS) and the previous one (last migration to LDC)** are already shown by the tablet, the interviewer only has to confirm that the sequence and dates are correct. And, additionally, **ask and input the reason for these.** The tablet will not allow to continue without these. - If minors/very young and following parents = FAMILY REASONS
	- If 9. REPEATED SEQUENCE: pick up to 2 reason(s) from list	- Refer to the reasons for **first move** within the repeated sequence - If the **last stay (current stay in CoS) and the previous one (last migration to LDC)** are part of the repeated sequence, since they are registered separately by the tablet, **ask and input the reason (by editing the field) for these specific stays within the repeated sequence.**

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- **B6. Pioneer migrant to Europe**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RET with multiple exits from CoS ending in EU countries - Input: Select Y/N answer *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	- We want to find out whether the respondent was a 'pioneer' when migrating to the EU for the first time, or whether someone close to him/her had already gone through that experience - We refer here only to people with whom the respondent has (or had at the time) a **close relationship**: e.g. friends who are best friends/like family, family members with whom they are close…

- **B7. Pioneer returnee from Europe**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RET with multiple exits from CoS ending in EU countries - Input: Select Y/N answer *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	- We want to find out whether the respondent was a 'pioneer' when returning to CoS after being in the EU, or whether someone close to him/her had already gone through that experience - We refer here only to people with whom the respondent has (or had at the time) a **close relationship**: e.g. friends who are best friends/like family, family members with whom they are close…

** CIRCULARITY **

Respondents:

Only RET with complex migratory trajectories which might amount to "circular" migration or "high mobility" patterns

Depending on the patterns of mobility registered in the residential trajectory, different sets of questions will be asked. There are **3 main pathways** [UA: 2-month]**:**

- **Path 1:** for respondents with **some repeated sequence period → B8-B14**
- **Path 2:** for respondents with **multiple returns → B15-B19**
- **Path 3:** for respondents who have a **high mobility rate or high diversification→ B20-B20a**
- If none of the above: section skipped

Definitions (no need to memorize, automatically applied by app):

- **Multiple returns:** person who has repeatedly migrated back and forth to CoS from the EU. More specifically: migrant (born in CoS) who has lived in EU countries (for 3+ months) and has returned home (CoS) twice or more in a period of 10 years (= last 10 years since last return). Not counting childhood destinations. There will be two main types:
  a. Migrants with multiple EU destinations
  b. Migrants with one single destination (LDC). These trajectories would qualify (and should be registered) as repeated sequences if the stays are < 1 year. But if the stays are >= 1 year, the trajectory qualifies as multiple returns.
- **High mobility:** person with a minimum of 3 movements (starting the count in the first non-CoS country registered in the trajectory) and with 3 or more consecutive stays less than 1 year-long each (over whole period). Not counting childhood destinations.
- **High diversification:** person who has lived in 5 different countries or more (over whole period). Not counting childhood destinations.

- **B8. Frequency of stays in Country 1 (within a repeated sequence)**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: Path 1 (repeated sequence) - Question type: read options - Input: pick from list.	- Individual stays (within repeated sequences) are expected to happen every year. **The frequency could be once a year or higher. But this criterion is to be applied with some flexibility towards R**, and a lower frequency could be detected here - If there was variation within the period, respond **approximately and/or on average**

- **[NOT SN] B9. Duration of stays in Country 1 (within a repeated sequence)**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: Path 1(repeated sequence) - Question type: read options - Input: pick from list *VARIATION BY COUNTRIES:* » *SN: dropped*	- **Why we need to ask B9 on top of B8:** one person travelling once a year to Country 1, may still stay there for shorter or longer periods; for instance, 3 instead of 6 or 9 months. - Individual stays (within repeated sequences) are **expected to be < 1 year. But this criterion is to be applied with some flexibility towards R**, and a higher duration could be detected here (e.g. one year or more than one year) - If there was variation within the period, respond **approximately and/or on average**

- **B11, B16 & B20. Reasons for repeated sequence, multiple returns or high mobility**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: Paths 1 (repeated sequence), 2 (multiple returns) & 3 (high mobility) - Question type & Input: Read options as a check list. After reading each option, check it out if the answer is yes • If "OTHER" selected, then type in reason in a few words.	- B11: If various repeated sequence periods, refer to the 1st one.

- **B13 & B18. Whether more advantages or disadvantages of circularity**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: Paths 1(repeated sequence) & 2 (multiple returns) - Question type and input: Spontaneous answer and interviewer picks from list.	

- **B12 & B17. Advantages of circularity**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: Paths 1(repeated sequence) & 2 (multiple returns) - Question type & Input: Read options as a check list. After reading each option, check it out if the answer is yes • If "OTHER" selected, then type in reason in a few words.	

** LAST MIGRATION **

Respondents:

All return migrants

This section compiles more details about R's last (EU) migration

- **B21. Reasons for last migration**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Question type : Spontaneous answer. • It is very important to **pose the question very openly, encouraging the person to provide as much detail and specifics as possible** regarding what is considered the main reason or the main 2 reasons. • Interviewers need to **avoid the R's providing simple general answers** (roughly corresponding to the main categories). The interviewer should kindly **prompt the respondent to be more specific if needed,** in order to be able to pick a proper sub-category. - Input: After listening to R's answer... a) Pick a general category (family, economic, studies...) and the tablet will open the subcategories to pick. Repeat the procedure to pick a 2nd subcategory (if 2 reasons are mentioned). b) Start typing to browse the subcategories Repeat the procedure to pick a 2nd subcategory (if 2 reasons are mentioned). ***IMPORTANT: interviewers to learn well and practice the list. To facilitate this, the list is organized into 7 broad categories, each with between 6-13 SUB-categories*** *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *AR, SN: 1.6 referred to "Europe"* • *RO: 1.6 referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: 1.6 referred to "EU countries"*	- Although in many cases the last migration to LDC will be **direct (from CoS to LDC)** this might not always be the case. For instance, a Senegalese who left in 2000 and lived first in Italy, and then in 2002 went to Spain. So: a. **When last migration to LDC is direct,** the question about the REASONS for this migration literally covers both the reasons to leave CoS and to go to LDC. b. **When last migration to LDC is indirect** we cannot do that, since the country being left is not CoS but another one (Italy in the example above). So for indirect migrations we just ask about the reasons to go to LDC (we don't care that much about the reasons to leave Italy). However, regardless of how we ask, respondents are likely to give us reasons related to Italy as well, so we need to adjust the answers that were referred to CoS - **OVERLAP with reasons in B5:** B21 aims at capturing the specific circumstances behind the broad categories selected in B5 for the last migration only. For this reason: • Emphasize in the INTRO: "*The reasons for migrating are frequently much more complex than any label we can give. So could you explain me, **now in YOUr own words**…*" • **If interviewee already explained more or less at length his/her reasons in B5:** after reading the INTRO to B21, summarize what R said before and ask for confirmation: "would this be it or would you like to elaborate more / add something else?" - If the respondent's **answer contains various possible sub-categories,** inquire to find out which 2 sub-categories were more relevant - **If the LARGE CATEGORY is clear, but not the SUBCATEGORY:** within each large category, there are also these options, which allow to at least identify the main category:

	a. OTHER If the respondent's answer does not seem to coincide with any of the subcategories. This option should be used only after checking that no other subcategory applies. b. DK, DA. If no specific details are given beyond the general categories. - **If the answer does not clearly fit any LARGE CATEGORY**, pick the large category "OTHER" and the sub-category "OTHER" within it, which will open a field for you to type in the literal answer. - If R does not respond or is unclear at this point, pick the large category "OTHER" and the sub-category DK, DA.

IMPORTANT: interviewers to learn well and practice the list
(develop examples for training)

The categories explained:

- FAMILY REASONS. This includes:
  a. **Pressure from family to migrate;**
     Please note: this is different from the case of minors who migrated following/along with some parent, and who did not make a decision (or have reasons) of their own. The correct category for these cases is under OTHER: *5.5. My parents/father/mother took/sent me*
  b. **To get married/seek spouse;** this covers cases where there is no partner yet, and the main motivation is finding such partner (spouse); and cases where there might be a partner (relationship) and the main motivation of the migration is formalizing such relationship, getting married.
     Please note: this is different from the reason " To reunify/stay/be with my partner". The reunification motivation applies only when ego is migrating along or going to join an existing spouse or partner, which is declared as the main motivation. It is possible that both answers apply as the main 2 reasons though when the stated motivation is "getting married and staying with my spouse"
  c. **The goal of being with family members or taking care of them;** this does NOT include situations in which a family member or friend simply facilitated or was expected to facilitate migration, if the goal is not being with this person, but, for instance, obtaining a job (which would facilitated by the presence of this person).
  d. **The goal of providing children with opportunities to study, work, or live in Europe**. Note that this is different from answers related to earning a better income even if they are phrased in terms of providing for children or family (such answers should go under FINANCIAL/ WORK REASONS).

- FINANCIAL / WORK REASONS. This includes job related answers, but also includes answers phrased in terms of income / financial prospects. The response categories refer to circumstances mostly in CoS, but these also cover opposite statements concerning LDC (e.g. lack of jobs in CoS vs more jobs in LDC).
  a. **Lack of employment in CoS;** also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of finding a job in LDC"
  b. **End of work contract…;** this is more specific than previous category, covering answers like "I ended my contract, so it was the right time to leave"
  c. **Job precariousness, low pay in CoS;** also to be used if answer is "Better

prospect of better-paid jobs in LDC"

d. **Dissatisfaction with my job in CoS**; more specific general than previous category: reasons for dissatisfaction are broader than just low pay and precarious conditions (e.g. occupational status, dislike for the job, etc.). **Also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of a job I like more in LDC"**
e. **For career advancement**; this refers to professional ambitions (i.e. improve your status within a given type of occupation, or climb to higher-status occupations) rather than more general goals of improving job conditions.
f. **Prospects of better living standard abroad**; answers referring to prospects of having better living conditions generally, this might include job conditions, but it should be broader than that.

- STUDY REASONS. This includes answers about undertaking some type/level of studies abroad.

= LIFESTYLES AND TASTES. This includes answers about disliking/being uncomfortable in CoS (or liking/being comfortable at LDC) for different reasons
a. Liking the lifestyle, customs, people, etc.
b. Same, but in reference to family (i.e. maybe R could live there without problems, but does not want his/her family to live in that environment)
c. Feeling discriminated against

- **B23. Intended duration of last migration**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Question type : Spontaneous answer. If respondent doubts, read options - Input: pick from list.	- Frequently, **migrants do not have a clear idea of how long they will stay**, since this depends on many factors. But even in these cases people also frequently have some idea or intended horizon. So: 1) **If the initial answer emphasizes uncertainty about duration or lack of plans,** interviewers should still kindly insist on whether there was any time horizon at all. E.g. "No fixed plans, was going to try for a while to see what happened" → "And did you give yourself some time to try out? How much time?" 2) **If the respondent then makes it clear that there was no time horizon at all,** then pick option "I HAD NO PLAN OR IDEA" - Frequently as well, **migrants have an initial idea of how long they think they will stay, but then things turn out differently**. E.g. someone expecting to stay for 1 year, and actually staying 10 years. In such a case, the answer should be 1 year (the initial expected duration), and not "I had no idea" (the conclusion that the initial expectation was not met)

- **[NOT SN] B24. Decision-makers of last migration**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Question type : Read options - Input: pick one answer from list *VARIATION BY COUNTRIES:* » *SN: dropped*	- **"Others"** might potentially include: household members, other family or friends, but also other people (employer, religious leader…) - Interviewer to make clear that "ENTIRELY BY ME" refers to the **person alone.** So, if it was a decision taken for instance **with the spouse**, the answer should be "BY BOTH ME AND OTHERS "

- **B25. Financing of last migration**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Question type : Read options - Input: pick one answer from list	- We are referring to the financing of the **trip only.** - "**Others**" might potentially include: household members, other family or friends, but also other people (employer, religious leader…) - Interviewer to make clear that "ENTIRELY ON MY OWN" refers to the **person alone.** So, if it was financed for instance **by a working spouse**, the answer should be "ENTIRELY BY OTHERS". However, for **couples** this needs to be applied with certain flexibility, since the partner's income can be considered also personal income (as it may be the case legally) and the distinction between partners' contributions are frequently blurred.

- **B26. Pioneer migrant to Europe (II)**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RET with one single exit from CoS ending in EU countries - Input: Select Y/N answer *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	- We want to find out whether R was a 'pioneer' when migrating to the EU (only once), or whether someone close to him/her had already gone through that experience - We refer here only to people with whom the respondent has (or had at the time) a **close relationship**: e.g. friends who are best friends/like family, family members with whom they are close…

** CONTRACT AT ORIGIN **

Respondents:
RETs only

This battery of questions (B27-B37) aims to find out whether R ever migrated with a job offer, placement or similar, obtained already before migrating. The battery of questions refers only to **stays in Europe.**

VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:

- *RO: referred to "other EU countries"*
- *UA: referred to "EU countries"*

- **B27 & B30. Ever had a contract, job offer or placement from origin**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: RETs - Input: Select Y/N answer	- We are always referring to obtaining a job offer/contract/placement **in advance of migrating**

- **B29. Contract at origin: In which migration**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: RETs with multiple EU stays who ever had a job-related agreement - Input: Show list of relevant migrations displayed in the device to respondent; pick as many as the respondent mentions.	- **If REPEATED SEQUENCE. The application will show the whole sequence as a whole, without being able to discriminate** about the first trip to Country 1 and following ones, neither trips to Country 2. Pick the repeated sequence if ANY of these trips were made with a contract/agreement in advance.

The following battery of questions (B32-B37) is referred by the tablet to:

- For RET with only one stay: to the job-related contract identified in B31
- For RET with multiple stays: to the FIRST instance identified in B29 (if the respondent has had multiple stays in these conditions).

- **B32. Contract at origin: Whether formal agreement**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: RETs who ever had a job-related agreement - Input: Pick from list	-

- **B34. Contract at origin: Size of firm/organisation**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs who ever had a job-related agreement - Question type : Spontaneous answer. If respondent doubts, read options. - Input: pick from list.	- Including the respondent

- **[NOT SN] B35. Contract at origin: Intermediary**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs who ever had a job-related agreement - Question type : Spontaneous answer. If respondent doubts, read options. - Input: pick from list *VARIATION BY COUNTRIES:* » *SN: dropped*	**The categories explained:** - MY EMPLOYER AT THE TIME = R had an employment at the time, and the employer provided this new opportunity - DIRECTLY FRO THE NEW EMPLOYER = R did not have a job, or did have one, but received this opportunity from a new employer

- **B37. Contract at origin: Whether took up the job**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs who ever had a job-related agreement - Question type : Spontaneous answer - Input: Select Y/N answer	

** LAST RETURN **

Respondents:

RETs only

This section compiles more details about R's last return (from EU) to CoS.

- **B38. Reasons for last return**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs - Question type: Spontaneous answer • It is very important to **pose the question very openly, encouraging the person to provide as much detail and specifics as possible** regarding what is considered the main reason or the main 2 reasons.	- **OVERLAP with reasons in B5**: B38 aims at capturing the specific circumstances behind the broad categories selected in B5 for the last return only. For this reason • Emphasize in the INTRO: "*The reasons for migrating are frequently much more complex than any label we can give. So could you explain*

- Interviewers need to **avoid the R's providing simple general answers** (roughly corresponding to the main categories). The interviewer should kindly **prompt the respondent to be more specific if needed**, in order to be able to pick a proper sub-category.

- Input: After listening to R's answer...
  c) Pick a general category (family, economic, studies...) and the tablet will open the subcategories to pick. Repeat the procedure to pick a 2nd subcategory (if 2 reasons are mentioned).
  d) Start typing to browse the subcategories

IMPORTANT: interviewers to learn well and practice the list. To facilitate this, the list is organized into 7 broad categories, each with between 6-13 sUB-categories

*me, **now in YOUr own words**..."*

- **If interviewee already explained more or less at length his/her reasons in B5**: after reading the INTRO to B38, summarize what R said before and ask for confirmation: "would this be it or would you like to elaborate more / add something else?"

- If the respondent's **answer contains various possible sub-categories,** inquire to find out which 2 sub-categories were more relevant
- **If the LARGE CATEGORY is clear, but not the SUBCATEGORY:** within each large category, there are also these options, which allow to at least identify the main category:
  a. OTHER If the respondent's answer does not seem to coincide with any of the subcategories. This option should be used only after checking that no other subcategory applies.
  b. DK, DA. If no specific details are given beyond the general categories.
- **If the answer does not clearly fit any LARGE CATEGORY**, pick the large category "OTHER" and the sub-category "OTHER" within it, which will open a field for you to type in the literal answer.
- If R does not respond or is unclear at this point, pick the large category "OTHER" and the sub-category DK, DA.

IMPORTANT: interviewers to learn well and practice the list
(develop examples for training)

- FAMILY REASONS. This includes:
  a. Pressure from family to migrate
  Please note: this is different from the case of minors who migrated following/along with some parent, and who did not make a decision (or have reasons) of their own. The correct category for these cases is under OTHER: *5.5. My parents/father/mother took/sent me*
  b. To get married/seek spouse; this covers cases where there is no partner yet, and the main motivation is finding such partner (spouse); and cases where there might be a partner (relationship) and the main motivation of the migration is formalizing such relationship, getting married.
  Please note: this is different from the reason " To reunify/stay/be with my partner". The reunification motivation applies only when ego is migrating along or going to join an existing spouse or partner, which is declared as the main motivation. It is possible that both answers apply as the main 2 reasons though when the stated motivation is "getting married and staying with my spouse"
  c. The goal of being with family members or taking care of them; this does

NOT include situations in which a family member or friend simply facilitated or was expected to facilitate migration, if the goal is not being with this person, but, for instance, obtaining a job (which would facilitated by the presence of this person).

d. **Easier access to (better) education for children.**

- FINANCIAL / WORK REASONS. This includes job related answers, but also includes answers phrased in terms of income / financial prospects. The response categories refer to circumstances mostly in LDC, but these also cover opposite statements concerning CoS (e.g. lack of jobs in LDC vs more jobs in CoS).
  a. **Lack of employment in LDC;** also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of finding a job in CoS"
  b. **End of work contract…;** this is more specific than previous category, covering answers like "I ended my contract, so it was the right time to return"
  c. **Job precariousness, low pay in LDC;** also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of better-paid jobs in CoS"
  d. **Dissatisfaction with my job in LDC;** more general than previous category: reasons for dissatisfaction are broader than just low pay and precarious conditions (e.g. occupational status, dislike for the job, etc.). **Also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of a job I like more in CoS"**
  e. **For career advancement;** this refers to professional ambitions (i.e. improve your status within a given type of occupation, or climb to higher-status occupations) rather than more general goals of improving job conditions.
  f. **Retirement;** answers referring to retirement as a fitting moment to return, or as making feasible the return
  g. **I must collect / have better pension benefits in CoS;** for retired and disabled persons (and others receiving pensions) this can be a decisive factor
  h. **I achieved the requirements to be able to transfer pension rights;** sometimes people wait a little bit more before returning, in order to guarantee their pension rights (and the ability to transfer them to CoS)
  i. **Prospects of better living standard abroad;** answers referring to prospects of having better living conditions generally, this might include job conditions, but it should be broader than that.

- STUDY REASONS. This includes answers about undertaking some type/level of studies abroad.

- ADMINISTRATIVE REASONS. This includes any reasons related to migrant statuses (for R or for his/her family) and return programs

- EMOTIONAL REASONS. This covers affective ties to CoS and LDC: belongingness, nostalgia, homesickness, wish to contribute, etc.

- LIFESTYLES AND TASTES. This includes answers about disliking/being uncomfortable in CoS (or liking/being comfortable at LDC) for different reasons
  a. Liking the lifestyle, customs, people, etc.
  b. Same, but in reference to family (i.e. maybe R could live there without problems, but does not want his/her family to live in that environment)
  c. Feeling discriminated against

- **B39. Satisfaction with decision to return**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs - Question type : Read options - Input: pick one answer from list.	-

- **B40. Intended duration of last return**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs - Question type : Spontaneous answer - Input: pick one answer from list. If respondent doubts, read options	- Frequently, **migrants do not have a clear idea of how long they will stay** at destination, since this will depend on many factors. But even in these cases people also frequently have some idea or intended horizon. So: 1) **If the initial answer emphasizes uncertainty about duration or lack of plans,** interviewers should still kindly insist on whether there was any time horizon at all. E.g. "No fixed plans, I was going to try for a while to see what happened" → "And did you give yourself some time to try out? How much time?" 2) **If the respondent then makes it clear that there was no time horizon at all,** then pick option "I HAD NO PLAN OR IDEA" - Frequently, **returnees have an initial idea of how long they think they will stay, but then things turn out very differently.** E.g. someone expecting to return permanently, and actually staying for a couple of years only. In such a case, the answer should be "permanently" (the initial expected duration), and not "I had no idea" (the conclusion that the initial expectation was not met)

- **B41. Decision-makers for last return**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs - Question type : Read options - Input: pick from list.	- **"Others"** might potentially include: household members, other family or friends, but also other people (employer, religious leader…) - Interviewer to make clear that "ENTIRELY BY ME" refers to the **person alone.** So, if it was a decision taken for instance **with the spouse,** the answer should be "BY BOTH ME AND OTHERS "

- **B42. Financing of last return**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RETs - Question type : Read options - Input: pick from list.	- We are referring to the financing of the **trip only.** - **"Others"** might potentially include:

	household members, other family or friends, but also other people (employer, religious leader…) - Interviewer to make clear that "ENTIRELY ON MY OWN" refers to the **person alone**. So, if it was financed for instance **by a working spouse**, the answer should be "ENTIRELY BY OTHERS". However, for **couples** this needs to be applied with certain flexibility, since the partner's income can be considered also personal income (as it may be the case legally) and the distinction between partners' contributions are frequently blurred.

- **B43 & B44. Close persons and relatives living in CoS at the time of return**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: RETs - Input: B43 For each of the categories of friends and relatives shown by the device, select Y/N answer. B44 For each of the categories of friends and relatives shown by the device, select one answer.	***Rationale***: *We want to find out if the respondent had or not some of these relatives or friends living in CoS and/or LDC at the time of return.* - For multiple-person categories (e.g. brothers) it is possible to have a "Yes" for both variables. E.g. One sibling living in LDC, and another one living in CoS **The categories explained:** - (B44) YES, BUT (HE/SHE/SOME/ALL) RETURNED WITH ME. This refers to cases where the person/persons of this category (or some of them) were living in LDC at the moment, but returned with R - 77. NOT APPLICABLE. If R had no relatives or friends from this category at all at the time (e.g. no children at the time, or parents dead at the time) **The categories of friends/relatives explained:** - MINOR CHILDREN = biologically or adopted children who were under 18 at the time of the last return - ADULT CHILDREN = biologically or adopted children who were 18 or older at the time of the last return - OTHER PERSONS CLOSE/IMPORTANT TO YOU = other persons with whom the respondent has (or had at the time) a **close relationship**: e.g. friends who are best friends/like family

- **B45. Pioneer returnee from Europe (II)**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: RET with one single exit from CoS ending in EU countries - Input: Select Y/N answer *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	- We want to find out whether the respondent was a 'pioneer' when returning to CoS after being in the EU for the first time, or whether someone close to him/her had already gone through that experience - We refer here only to people with whom the respondent has (or had at the time) a **close relationship**: e.g. friends who are best friends/like family, family members with whom they are close…

** (RE)MIGRATION INTENTIONS **

Respondents:

RET (B49 onwards) & NM (B46 onwards)

- **B46. Ever has had a passport**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: NM - Question type: Spontaneous answer - Input: Select Y/N answer	

- **B47. Ever visited Europe for a period <3 months** [UA: 2-month]

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: NM - Question type: Spontaneous answer - Input: Select Y/N answer *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *RO = referred to other EU countries* • *UA = referred to EU country*	

- **B48. Ever applied for a European visa (RO, SN, UA)/residence permit (AR)**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: NM with passport - Question type: Spontaneous answer • If the answer is simply "Yes", **probe**: *"And was it approved? Did you use it?"* - Input: pick one answer from list	

VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES: • *RO , SN, UA = referred to visas* • *AR = referred to residence permits*	

- **B49. Desire to migrate in the future**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: NM & RM - Input: Pick one answer from list	- The type of desired migration (short-term, long-term, permanent, coming back and forth) does not matter. If R would rather go abroad (in any of these circumstances) rather than simply stay in CoS, answer would be "GO ABROAD" - When discussing about **"intentions"** it is important to distinguish between (A) the **personal wish or desire** to do something (B) the real-life circumstances that may push to do something, or prevent something from happening, regardless of the person's subjective personal wishes. This question B49 refers only to the **personal desire or wish** to migrate, regardless of anything else. • E.g. "I would love so, but I can't leave my family right now" = Yes • E.g. "Not really, but since my spouse is likely to go I would then come along" = No

- **B51. Likelihood of (re)migrating in 6 months / 2 years**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: NM & RM - Question type : Read options. - Input: pick one answer from list.	- When discussing about **"intentions"** it is important to distinguish between (A) the personal wish or desire to do something (B) **the real-life circumstances that may push to do something, or prevent something from happening**, regardless of the person's subjective personal wishes. This question B51 refers to the **actual likelihood that migration will happen.** • E.g. "I would love so, but I can't leave my family right now" = Unlikely • E.g. "Not really, but since my spouse is likely to go I would then come along" = Likely **The categories explained:** - Please note that the probability scale is 2-dimensional (consider both likelihood

	and unlikelihood), which can lead to confusions. Most particularly, **if the answer is "Somewhat likely", although there is no literal correspondence in the list, the answer it is covered by "PRETTY UNLIKELY"** (the inverse probability of "somewhat likely" would still be "pretty unlikely"). This answer should be suggested to R, and let him/her pick the one he/she considers most adjusted: either "PRETTY LIKELY" or "PRETTY UNLIKELY"

- **B52 & B53. Reasons why unlikely / likely to (re)migrate**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: NM & RET unlikely (B52) or likely (B53) to move abroad - Question type: Spontaneous answer • It is very important to **pose the question very openly, encouraging the person to provide as much detail and specifics as possible** regarding what is considered the main reason or the main 2 reasons. • Interviewers need to **avoid the R's providing simple general answers** (roughly corresponding to the main categories). The interviewer should kindly **prompt the respondent to be more specific if needed,** in order to be able to pick a proper sub-category. - Input: After listening to R's answer... - e) Pick a general category (family, economic, studies...) and the tablet will open the subcategories to pick. Repeat the procedure to pick a 2nd subcategory (if 2 reasons are mentioned). f) Start typing to browse the subcategories ***IMPORTANT: interviewers to learn well and practice the list. To facilitate this, the list is organized into 7 broad categories, each with between 6-13 sUB-categories*** *VARIATIONS PER COUNTRIES:* • *AR, SN: 1.6 referred to "Europe"* • *RO: 1.6 referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: 1.6 referred to "EU countries"*	- If the respondent's **answer contains various possible sub-categories,** inquire to find out which 2 sub-categories were more relevant - **If the LARGE CATEGORY is clear, but** - **not the SUBCATEGORY:** within each large category, there are also these options, which allow to at least identify the main category: a. OTHER If the respondent's answer does not seem to coincide with any of the subcategories. This option should be used only after checking that no other subcategory applies. b. DK, DA. If no specific details are given beyond the general categories. - **If the answer does not clearly fit any** - **LARGE CATEGORY**, pick the large category "OTHER" and the sub-category "OTHER" within it, which will open a field for you to type in the literal answer. - If R does not respond or is unclear at this - point, pick the large category "OTHER" and the sub-category DK, DA.

IMPORTANT: interviewers to learn well and practice the list
(develop examples for training)

- FAMILY REASONS. This includes:
  a. **Pressure from family to migrate;**
  b. **To get married/seek spouse;** this covers cases where there is no partner yet, and the main motivation is finding such partner (spouse); and cases where there might be a partner (relationship) and the main motivation of the migration is formalizing such relationship, getting married.
     Please note: this is different from the reason " To reunify/stay/be with my partner". The reunification motivation applies only when ego is migrating along or going to join an existing spouse or partner, which is declared as the main motivation. It is possible that both answers apply as the main 2 reasons though when the stated motivation is "getting married and staying with my spouse"
  c. **The goal of being with family members or taking care of them;** this does NOT include situations in which a family member or friend simply facilitated or was expected to facilitate migration, if the goal is not being with this person, but, for instance, obtaining a job (which would facilitated by the presence of this person).
  d. **The goal of providing children with opportunities to study, work, or live in Europe.** Note that this is different from answers related to earning a better income even if they are phrased in terms of providing for children or family (such answers should go under FINANCIAL/ WORK REASONS).

- FINANCIAL / WORK REASONS. This includes job related answers, but also includes answers phrased in terms of **income / financial prospects.** The response categories refer to circumstances mostly in CoS/abroad, respectively, but these also cover opposite statements concerning the other alternative.
  a. **Lack of employment in CoS/abroad;** also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of finding a job in abroad/CoS"
  b. **End of work contract...;** this is more specific than previous category, covering answers like "I ended my contract, so it was the right time to leave"
  c. **Job precariousness, low pay in CoS/abroad;** also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of better-paid jobs in abroad/CoS"
  d. Dissatisfaction with my job in CoS; more specific general than previous category: reasons for dissatisfaction are broader than just low pay and precarious conditions (e.g. occupational status, dislike for the job, etc.). **Also to be used if answer is "Better prospect of a job I like more abroad"**
  e. **For career advancement;** this refers to professional ambitions (i.e. improve your status within a given type of occupation, or climb to higher-status occupations) rather than more general goals of improving job conditions.
  f. **Prospects of living standards;** answers referring to prospects of having better living conditions generally, this might include job conditions, but it should be broader than that.
  g. **(B52) Low cost of living here/High of living abroad;** Regardless of the living standard, living in CoS can be simply more affordable

- STUDY REASONS. This includes answers about undertaking some type/level of studies abroad.

- LIFESTYLES AND TASTES. This includes answers about disliking/being uncomfortable in CoS (or liking/being comfortable at LDC) for different reasons
  a. Liking the lifestyle, customs, people, etc.
  b. Same, but in reference to family (i.e. maybe R could live there without problems, but does not want his/her family to live in that environment)
  c. Feeling discriminated against

VARIATION BETWEEN RET-NM:

- *Some response categories dropped or different for NMs*

B52

RET	*NM*
4.2. Visa application rejected / expelled	4.2. Visa application rejected
7.4. My migration didn't work out as I planned / was difficult	7.4. NOT APPLICABLE
7.5. Already lived a long time abroad	7.5. NOT APPLICABLE

B53

RET	*NM*
2.11. I must collect/I have better pension benefits abroad	2.11. NOT APPLICABLE
4.1 To renew documents/legal matters	4.1 NOT APPLICABLE
4.2. To continue my presence in a facilitated migration program (seasonal, temporary…)	4.2. NOT APPLICABLE
5.2. Homesickness: I miss family / friends / weather / food / lifestyle abroad	5.2. NOT APPLICABLE
7.4. My return didn't work out as I planned / was difficult	7.4. NON APPLICABLE

- **B54. Intended destination for (re)migration**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: NM & RET likely to move abroad - Question type : Spontaneous answer Input: pick from list. If "ANOTHER COUNTRY": type to browse list of countries or select continent and then country from the list	- We are asking for **one specific country,** but: **a. If the respondent has no specific country or region in mind,** pick **"UNDECIDED"** b. **If the person has one region in mind** (e.g. "somewhere in Europe"), or doubts between 2 or more countries within some specific region), pick the corresponding region (Europe, North America, etc.) c. **If the person doubts between destinations in different regions,** ask to prioritize the one more likely; if this is not enough, refer to the one preferred by R

- **B55. Intended duration of (re)migration**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: NM & RET likely to move abroad - Question type and input: Spontaneous answer and pick from list. If respondent doubts, read options	- Frequently, **migrants do not have a clear idea of how long they will stay,** since this depends on many factors. But even in these cases people also frequently have some idea or intended horizon. So: **1) If the initial answer emphasizes uncertainty about duration or lack of plans,** interviewers should still kindly insist on whether there was any time horizon at all. E.g. "No

	fixed plans, I was going to try for a while to see what happened" → "And did you give yourself some time to try out? How much time?" 2) **If the respondent then makes it clear that there was no time horizon at all,** then pick option "I HAD NO PLAN OR IDEA"

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- **H10. Close persons and relatives currently living in Europe**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: All - Question type : Spontaneous answer - Input: pick Y/N answer *VARIATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES (NM):* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	- We refer here only to people with whom the respondent has (or had at the time) a **close relationship**: e.g. friends who are best friends/like family, family members with whom they are close…

- **I53 (NM). How frequently in contact with people currently living in Europe**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: *NM (this question is made here for NMs, while it is made after I52 for RETs with some variation) who have someone currently living in Europe* - Question type : Spontaneous answer; if R doubts, read options - Input: pick one answer from list *VARIATION BETWEEN RET AND NM:* • *RET: referred to LDC* • *NM: referred to Europe* *VARIATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES (NM):* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	-

- **H10a. Close persons and relatives who have ever lived in Europe**

Mechanics	*Clarifications*
- Respondents: *NM who do NOT have someone currently living in Europe* - Question type : Spontaneous answer	-

- Input: pick Y/N answer *VARIATION BETWEEN COUNTRIES (NM):* • *RO: referred to "other EU countries"* • *UA: referred to "EU countries"*	

- **I56. Emotional support by friends and family**

Mechanics	***Clarifications***
- Respondents: NM - Question type : Read options Input: pick one answer from list	- ***Rationale****: the emotional support of family and friends is crucial for the well-being of most people, and it can impact on the decisions to migrate or not, in different manners*