





# Flash Eurobarometer Local politicians of the EU and the future of Europe

Interviews: EU27 - 3276 | IT - 159 (Fieldwork: 21.7 - 9.9.2021)

Methodology\*

**Italy** 



#### **Profile of surveyed politicians**

(sd2) Which political party do you represent? (%)



- Partito Democratico (PD)
- ---Lega (LEGA)
- Movimento 5 Stelle (M5S)
- Fratelli d'Italia (FdI)
- Forza Italia (FI)
- Partito Socialista Italiano (PSI)
- —Italia Viva (IV)
- Noi con l'Italia (NcI)
- A local or regional political party
- Another national political party
  - None. I'm not affiliated to a political party / I'm an independent

#### \*Methodological note

Email invitations were sent to local politicians from all different political levels and affiliations. However, due to variations in available contact details and response rates, as well as limitations in terms of sample size, full representativity cannot be guaranteed.

### Influence of regions, cities and villages

In general, do you agree or disagree that regions, cities and villages have enough influence on the future of the European Union? (%)



EU27	Italy		
11	14		
22	35		
41	36		
24	15		
3	1		

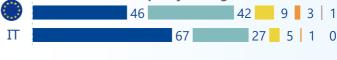
Italy (outer circle)

Totally agree
Tend to disagree
Don't know

Tend to agree
Totally disagree

Thinking about the current situation in Italy, how important or not important is each of the following...? (%)

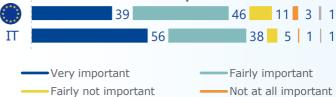
Increase the influence of regions and local authorities on EU policymaking



Improve the access of regions and local authorities to EU funding?



Have more cooperation with regions and local authorities in other European countries



-Don't know







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## **Key EU topics for regions, cities and villages**

On which of these topics would you prefer to see regions and cities to become more influential in EU policy-making? Please select up to four answers.



### Awareness about the Conference on the Future of Europe

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Are you aware about the Conference on the Future of Europe?



EU27	Italy		
3	3		
8	13		
43	40		
46	45		

- Yes, I have been actively involved
- Yes, I'm aware of related activities in my constituency
- Yes, but I'm not aware of any related activities in my constituency
- ----No, I'm not aware of it

### How to improve democracy in the EU?

For each of the following measures, to what extent do you agree or disagree that they would make democracy in the European Union work better? (% Total 'Agree')

Strengthening the involvement of subnational/local government levels in EU decision-making	IT	86 93
Introducing elements of participatory democracy such as citizens' assemblies or panels	IT	75 78
Strengthening European political parties	IT	62 74
Better information on democratic systems at EU, national, and subnational level	IT	90



