Integrating rural development and biodiversity conservation in Central Romania

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**APPENDIX 1**

**Questionnaire provided to town hall personnel**

The questionnaire was developed by Friederike Mikulcak and distributed to 30 town hall representatives of Southern Transylvania, Romania, in November 2011. The original questionnaire was in Romanian.

**opinion poll on eU nature conservation and rural development policy**

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Location:

**1. General Information**

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| 1.1 Sex  | □ M □ F |
| 1.2 Age | □ 20-30 □ 31-40 □ 41-50 □ 51-60 □>60 |
| 1.3 Position | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

**2. Impact of EU Accession**

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| **Totally disagree** | **Disagree** | **Neutral** | **Agree** | **Totally agree** |

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| 2.1 Romania’s accession to the EU had a positive  impact on the economic development of  Transylvania. |  □ □ □ □ □ |
| 2.2 The economic situation in my commune has  improved following EU accession. |  □ □ □ □ □ |
| 2.3 The economic situation in my commune has  improved due to EU rural development  policy.  |  □ □ □ □ □ |

**3. EU Funding**

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| **Totally disagree** | **Disagree** | **Neutral** | **Agree** | **Totally agree** |

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| 3.1 It is easy to apply for EU funding. |   □ □ □ □ □ |
| 3.2 I feel well informed about EU funding  mechanisms in terms of rural development. |   □ □ □ □ □ |
| 3.3 I need assistance in applying for EU funding. |   □ □ □ □ □ |
| 3.4 Farmers in my commune benefit from EU  funding. |  □ □ □ □ □ |

**4. EU nature conservation policy and rural development**

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| **Totally disagree** | **Disagree** | **Neutral** | **Agree** | **Totally agree** |

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| 4.1 The situation of farmers in my commune has  improved following EU accession. |  □ □ □ □ □ |
| 4.2 Farmers in my commune have problems to  adjust to EU environmental standards. |  □ □ □ □ □ |
| 4.3 I am well informed about Natura 2000. |  □ □ □ □ □ |
| 4.4 Natura 2000 supports the rural  development of my commune. |  □ □ □ □ □ |
| 4.5 EU rural development policy needs  Improvement. |  □ □ □ □ □ |