

REACT

Reactivating European citizenship: a network of inclusive towns

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Constitutional principles and legal aspects of
citizenship in Greece



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Presentation of Katerini

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Constitutional principles and legal aspects of citizenship / nationality in Greece

- The Law of Nationality is regulated in provisions of the law 3284/2004, as it has been altered by Laws 3838/2010, 4251/2014 and 4332/2015.
- In Greece, the terms "CITIZENSHIP" and "NATIONALITY" are identical and refer to the legal link that connects the individual with the state and the people of which he/she belongs, while the term "ETHNICITY" refers to a non-legal bond of a person with a nation. Those belonging to the same nation are called homogeneous while the rest are all aliens or foreigners.
- The Asylum Service, the Refugee Authority, the Reception Service and the Identification of Refugees were founded by Law 4375/2016.
- Ministry of Internal Affairs www.ypes.gr information for:
 - Acquisition of Greek Nationality
 - Process of naturalization

Acquisition of the Greek nationality (1)

1. Ipso jure (automatically), by birth

- The child of a Greek parent acquires Greek nationality at birth
- Greek nationality is acquired when someone has been born in Greek territory, if:
 - a. One of his parents was born in Greece and has a permanent residence in the country since birth or
 - b. Has not acquired a foreign nationality at birth or can not obtain such by his parents' declaration to the relevant foreign authorities, if the law of his/her parents' nationality requires such a declaration, or
 - c. is of unknown nationality

Acquisition of the Greek nationality (2)

2. Due to the birth or study at a school in Greece, a child of aliens born in Greece under certain conditions.
3. Due to recognition by a Greek father of a foreign alien who was born without the marriage of his parents.
4. A foreigner adopted by Greek parents as a minor.
5. Acquisition of nationality by ranking in the armed forces.

Acquisition of the Greek nationality (3)

6. Naturalization

- Naturalization of third-country nationals who have been granted long-term resident status of five years.
- Nationals of Member States of the European Union if they exercise a freedom to provide services or are in paid employment or are studying or are citizens or family members of a EU citizen. Or have a permanent residence for a citizen of the EU.
- Citizens of third-country nationals who are members of the family of Greeks or citizens of the EU or are parents of a minor Greek citizen
- Recognized political refugees or eligible for subsidiary protection or protection for humanitarian reasons
- Naturalization of those who have been declared stateless by a national authority
- Naturalization of a foreigner who holds any type of permanent residence permit, pursuant to the transitional provisions of Article 25 of Law 3838/2010
- Special cases of naturalization provided for in the Law.

Any thing else we should know about citizenship in your country.

Access - rights

- **Political rights**

Right of appeal

- **Religious rights**

Freedom of religious faith (Tolerance-Constitution)

- **Educational rights**

Right to education of minors

- **Employment rights**

Guaranteed right to work (It demanded work permission for migrants and asylum application)

❖ The ministry of immigration policy says that it will legislate that refugees can work legally

- **to welfare services and benefits**

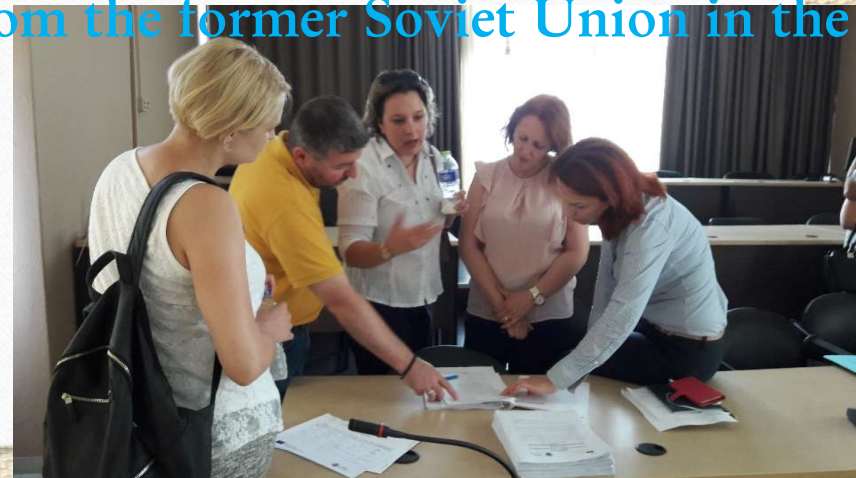
Right to health services , Support of equality issues. Possibility of psychosocial support, Housing, Protection of unaccompanied children (refugees), Poverty reduction programs (immigrants)

stakeholders



Local team of Katerini

- Union of Lawyers (local Bar) of Katerini
- NGO ADRA DEUTCHLAND
- Non profit club “PERICHORESIS”
- Union of parents of the Serbian School «Agios Savvas»
- Union of expatriates from the former Soviet Union in the region of Pieria



Survey analysis of immigrants' attitude in Katerini

- By distribution of questionnaire to beneficiaries of 3 immigrant organizations in Katerini.
- 31 questionnaires , 35 questions each
- Serbians, Croatians, Iraqis, Iranians, Syrians and others



Working group REACT Katerini



Compile questionnaire with:

- 5 topics
- 35 questions
- Greek/English/Arabic

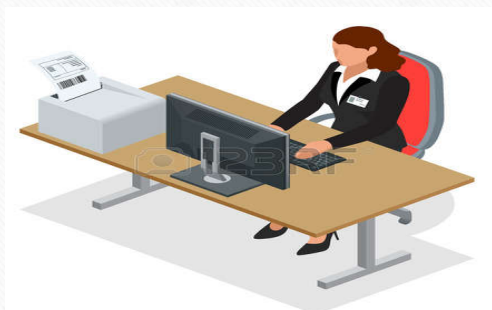


Working group- stakeholders

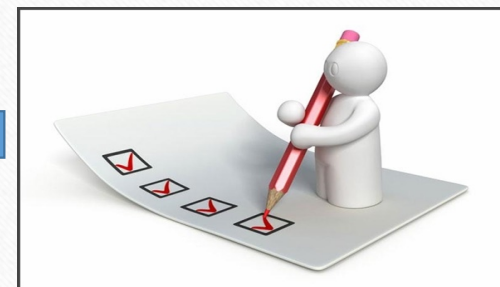
- 1st meeting (02/06/2017)
- 2nd meeting (16/06/2017)



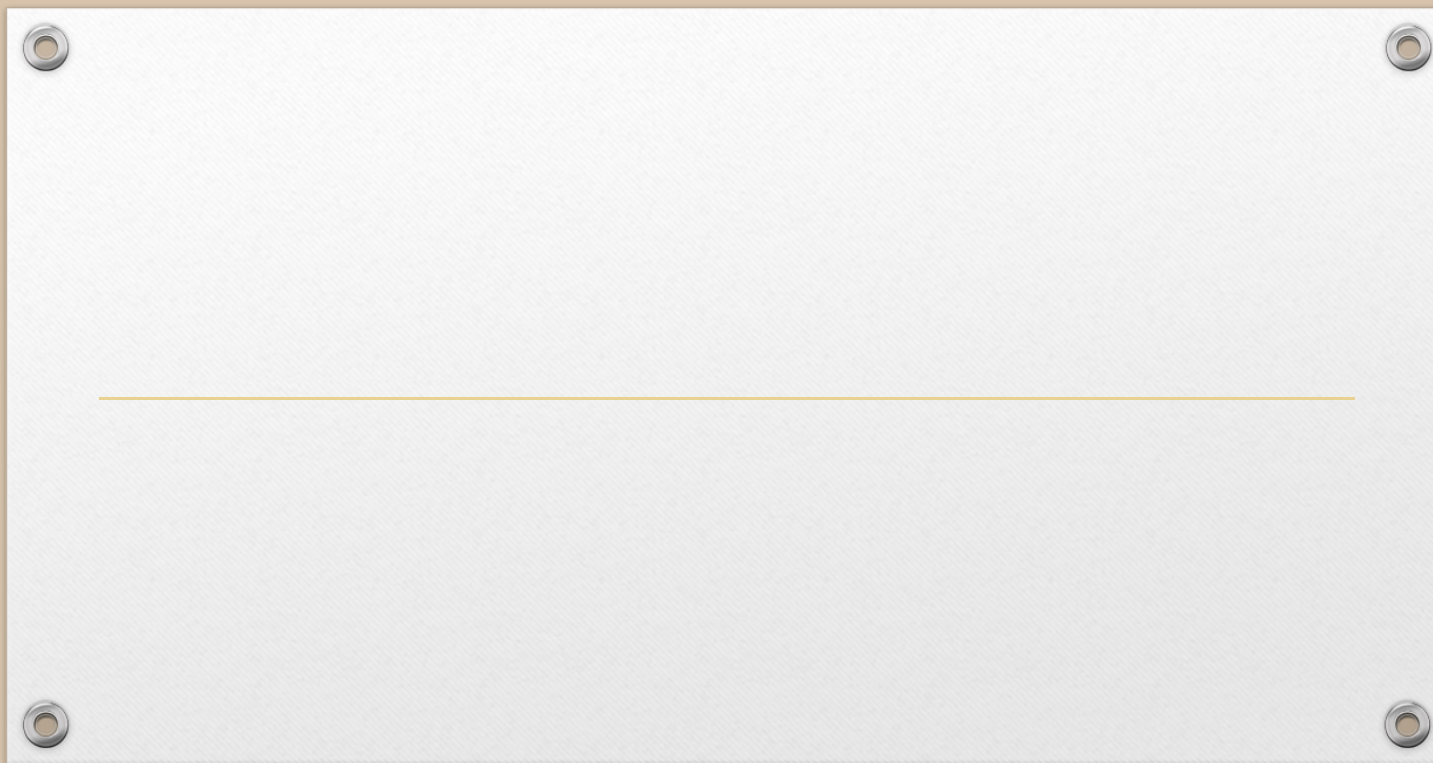
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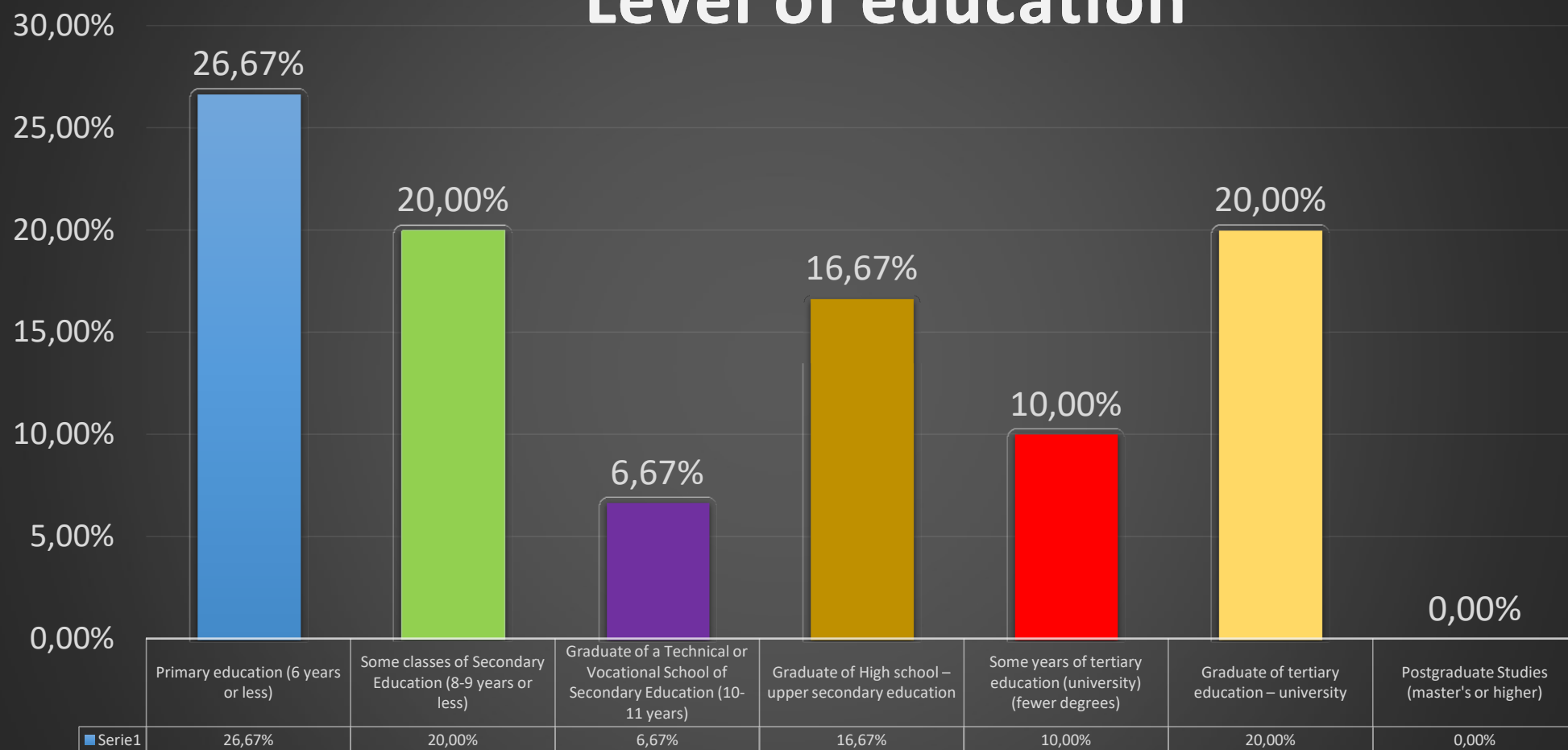
Questionnaire's processing
by working group

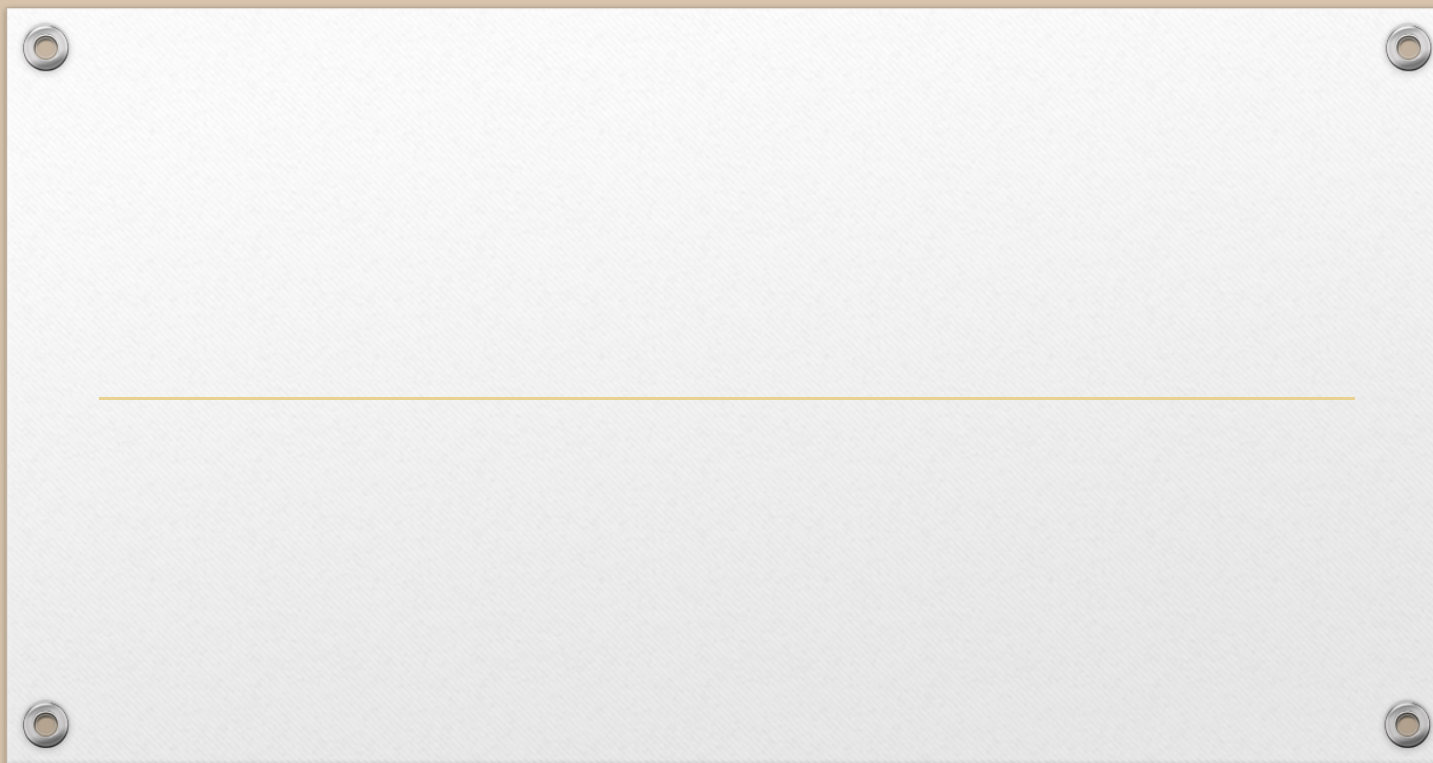


Compile
31 questionnaires

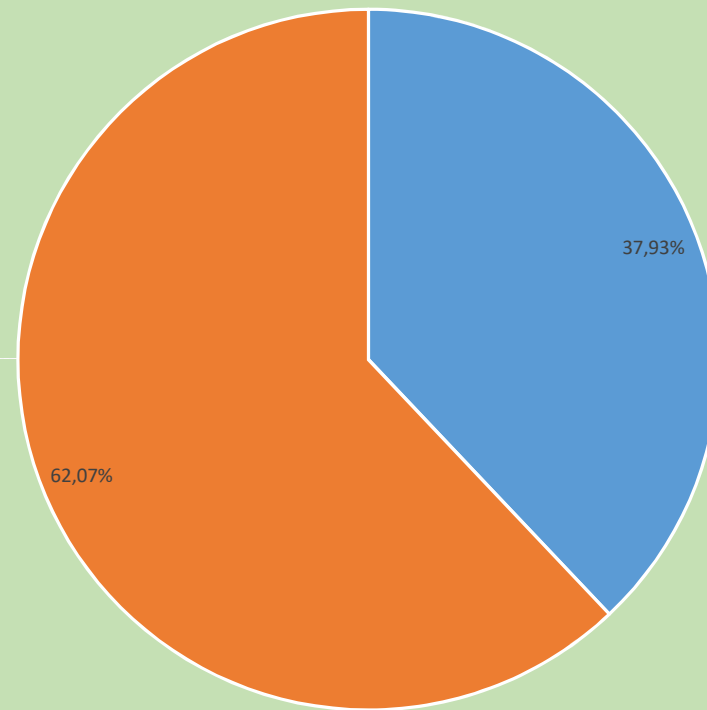


Level of education

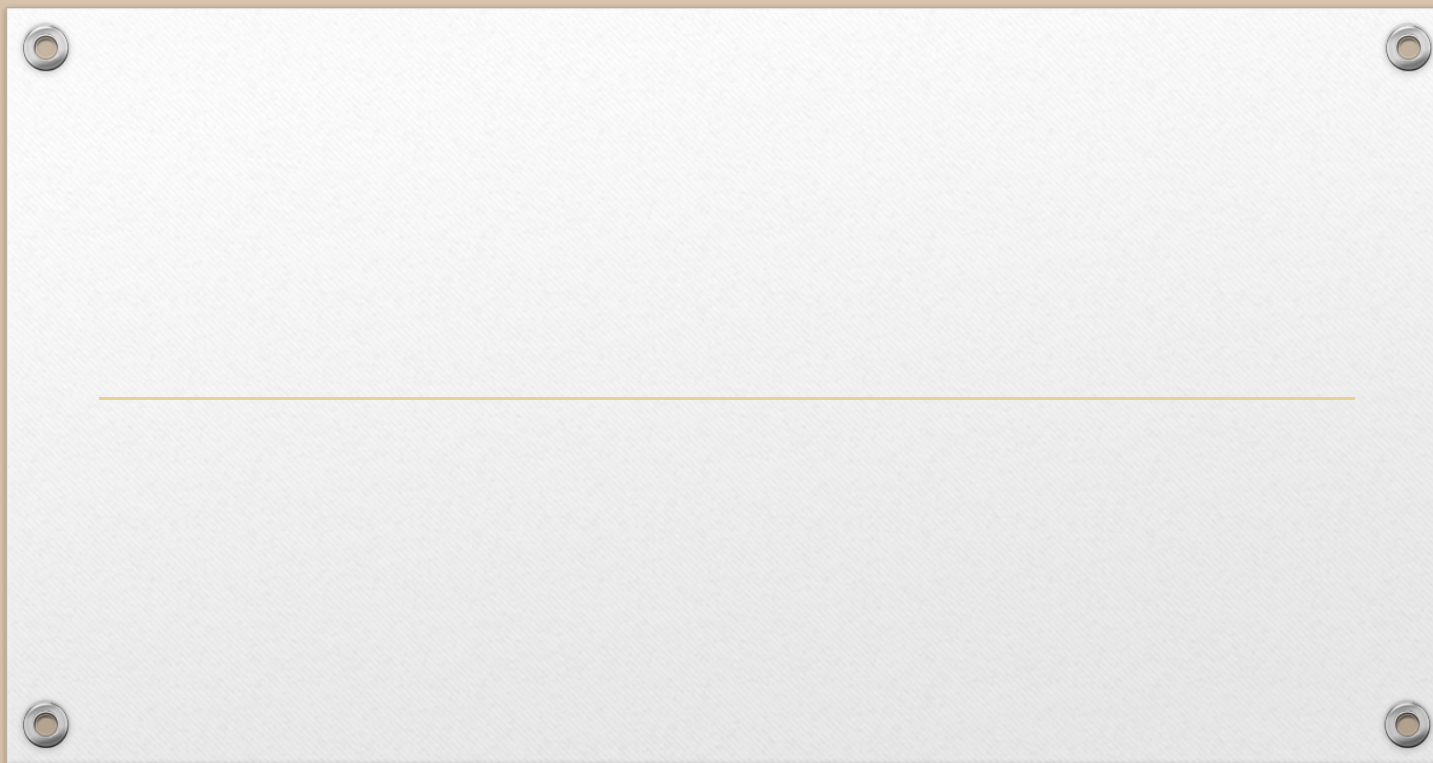


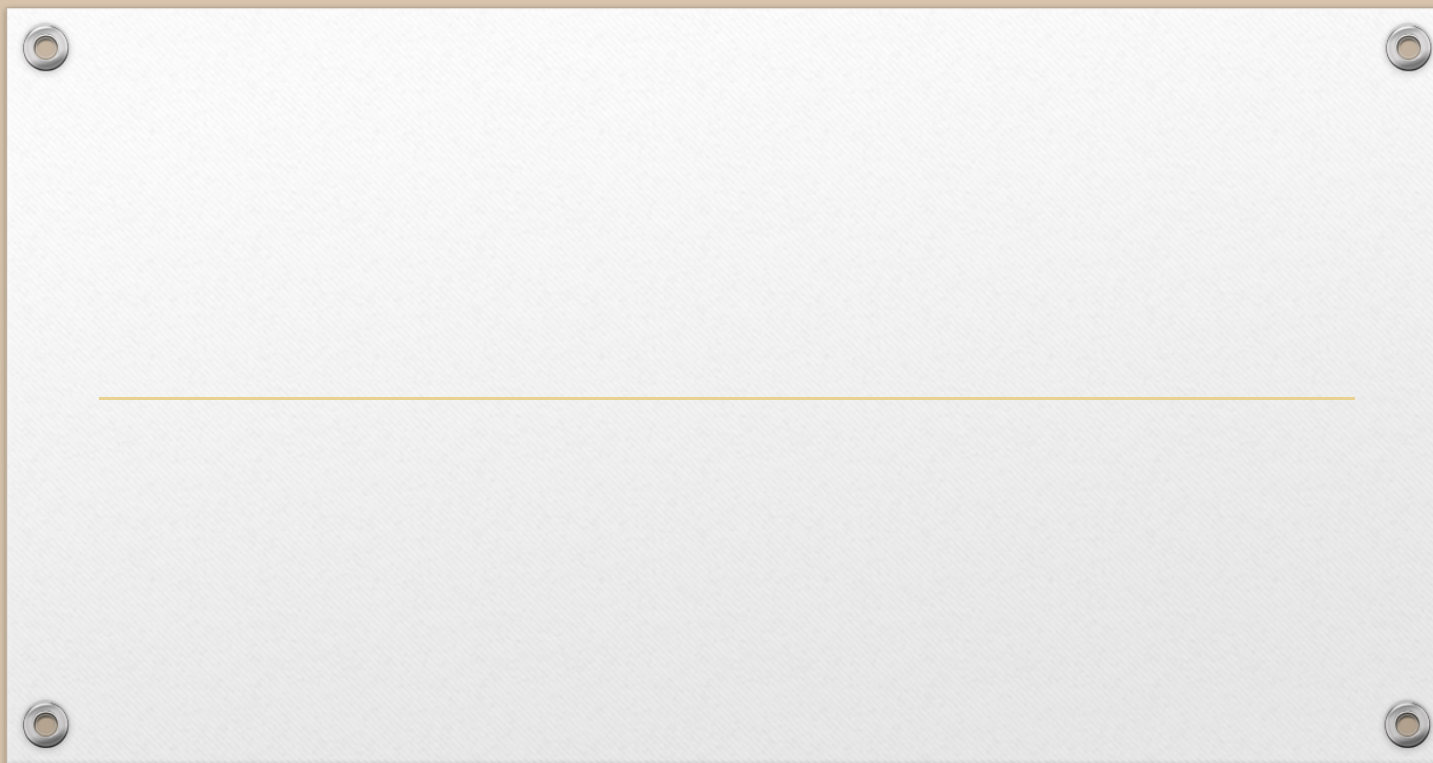


Do you have a job right now?

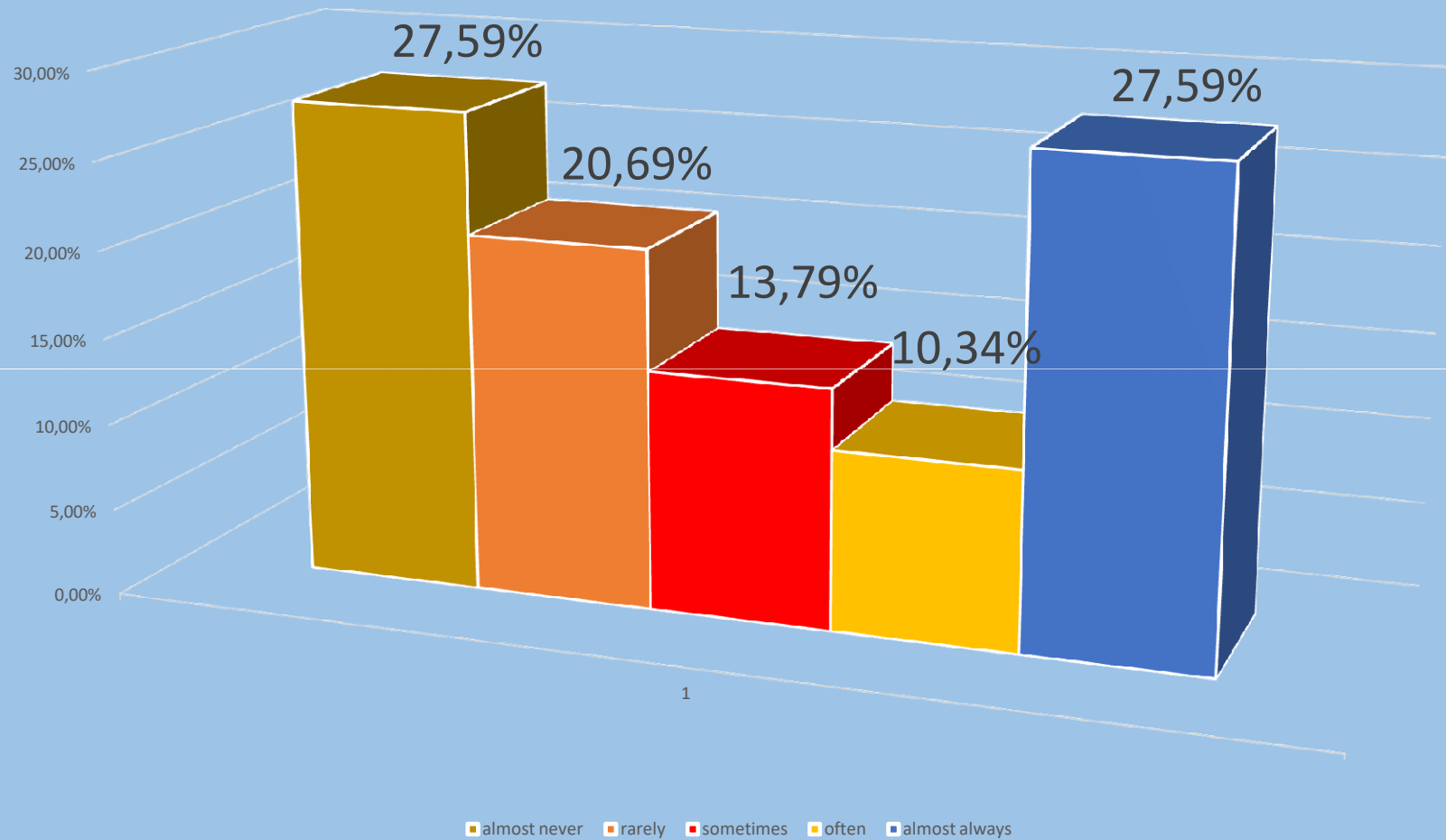


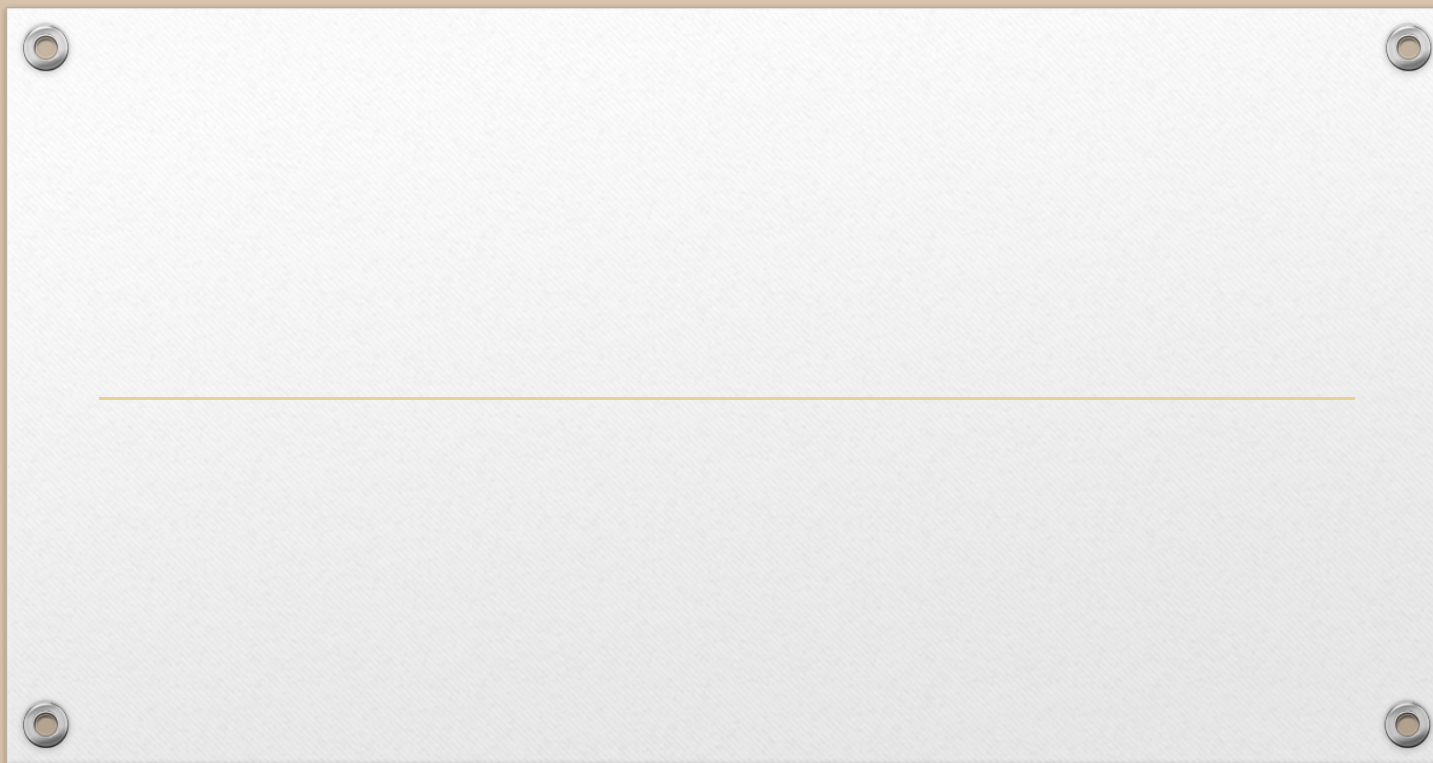
■ Yes ■ No





How often do you associate with Greeks?







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• **Thank you very much for your attention!!!**