Section A - General Part

A1. General information

Age		Country
18 -20		
20-30		
30-40		
40-50		
50-60		
Over 60		

A2. Gender: ☐ M ☐ F

A3. Education

Title		*Area (e.g. Economics, Engineering, Biology, Political science, ...)*
High School		
Bachelor		
Master		
PhD		

Section B – Awareness about Circular Economy

B1. What does Sustainable Development mean, for you? *(max 2 replies)*
☐ Economic, social, environmental equilibrium
☐ Meet the needs of the present without compromising the well-being of future generations
☐ Meet environmental integrity requirements
☐ Other meanings (please indicate some)

B2. How well do you understand Circular Economy ?
☐ Understand it well (Yes I knew what CE is)
☐ Had no idea of it
☐ Just heard of it
☐ Did not care

B3. What does Circular Economy mean, for you? *(max 2 replies)*
☐ A zero waste economy
☐ An economy able to regenerate itself
☐ Reduce, recycle, reuse
☐ A more sustainable way to produce and consume
☐ Other (please, suggest...)

B4. Which aspect/s is/are more important in Circular Economy? *(max 2 replies)*
☐ New product design
☐ Eco-industrial parks and Smart cities
☐ Sustainable supply chain/Reverse logistic
☐ Recycling phase
☐ New business models
☐ Other (please, suggest…)

B5. Which are the more important expectations from Circular Economy? *(max 2 replies)*
☐ Economic benefits
☐ Environmental benefits
☐ Employment opportunities
☐ New business opportunities

☐ Other (please, suggest…)_____

Section C – Drivers, Barriers and Change perception and awareness

C1. What are possible obstacles from engaging in Circular Economy?
(max 3 replies)

☐ Unfavourable prices
☐ Lack of finance support
☐ Lack of networks
☐ Low awareness and know-how
☐ Lack of innovation/disrupting technology
☐ Lack of infrastructure
☐ Resistance to change
☐ Lack of policies/regulations
☐ Current linear design of products
☐ Other (please, suggest)_____
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C2. What do you think have to change in the circular economy process? *(max 3 replies)*

☐ Technical aspects (administrative, production techniques, collection techniques, others...)
☐ Unfavourable prices (promote incentives such as decreased taxes and subsidies to recycled materials, etc)
☐ Favour creation of recovery networks and markets (new finance tools, ethical finance, etc.)
☐ Increase dissemination of circular concepts to overcome low awareness and know-how
☐ Invest in research to promote circular innovation/technology
☐ Invest in suitable circular infrastructure (to promote easy transport, storage, marketing...)
☐ Involve stakeholders and managers in decision making, provide transparent data, to overcome resistance to change
☐ Promote innovative, broad and long-run policies at national level (to overcome fear of instability) _
☐ Promote research and implementation of circular design of products
☐ Other (please, suggest)

C3. If the transition from a linear economy to Circular economy is to become a success, who should be, in your opinion, responsible in taking the initiatives forward? *(max 3 replies)*

☐ Policy maker
☐ Economic actors
☐ Citizens/Costumers
☐ Public administration
☐ Public opinion
☐ Other (please, suggest)_____

C4. What policy instruments do you think would be necessary for the drive towards Circular Economy?
(max 3 replies)

☐ Regulatory measures
☐ Harmonisation and advice existing policies (e.g. on circular economy, labelling, raw materials. etc.)
☐ Financial support for companies
☐ Selective tax system applied to consumption (e.g. plastic tax)
☐ Increase awareness of consumers
☐ Incentives for the consumption of selected products
☐ To develop a cultural approach favouring waste prevention
☐ Other (please, suggest)

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~~1. In your opinion, circular economy and green economy are the same?~~
~~- No, they are different~~
~~- They are somehow connected~~
~~- They are the same~~

~~2. To what extent are circular economy and sustainability connected?~~
~~1 Not at all connected~~
~~5 Strongly connected~~

~~3. According to your opinion is circular economy part of sustainable development?~~
~~1 Not at all~~
~~5 Absolutely yes~~
~~4. Which of the following you think are the 3 main principals of circular economy?~~

- How we manage resources
- How to be more profitable on environmental issues
- What we do with the materials afterwards
- How to handle economic issues
- How we make and use products

5. In your opinion, which do you believe are the advantages of a circular economy?
   - Extending the useful life of products through actions such as recycling.
   - Allows for a change in consumption habits
   - Presence of waste that is difficult to recycle and transform
   - Technical skills and abilities that are not yet present in the workforce
   - Creation of new jobs

6. In your opinion, which are the disadvantages of a circular economy?
   - Lack of regulations governing legal competition among companies
   - Lack of environmental awareness on the part of suppliers and clients.
   - Economic barriers and access to financing
   - Reduced consumption of fossil fuels.
   - Decrease in waste generation
   - Reduced extraction of raw materials

7. In your personal judgment green economy is an economy that is:
   - Socially inclusive
   - Depleting and overusing the world's natural resources
   - An accumulation of waste

8. To what extent you believe you are informed about circular economy?
1 Not at all informed
5 To a great extent

Section D – Application of Circular Economy Principles in Entrepreneurship

D1. Do you believe that you have the skills to apply the circular economy principles in a business project you might have?

☐ Very Much☐ Somewhat
☐ Undecided
☐ Not really
☐ Not at all

D2. In your opinion, receiving training in circular economy principles would encourage you to get involved in entrepreneurship?

☐ Totally Agree
☐ Agree
☐ I am not sure
☐ Disagree
☐ Totally Disagree

D3. In your opinion, are circular economy practices feasible to be applied in business in your area?

☐ Yes, they are
☐ No, they are not
☐ Maybe

D5. Please elaborate briefly your reply from the previous question?

D6. Would you be interested to get involved professionally into circular economy business in your area?

☐ Very interested
☐ Somewhat interested
☐ Neutral
☐ Not very interested
☐ Not at all interested

D7. Are you aware of the pre-incubation and incubation process of business ideas?

- ☐ Fully aware
- ☐ Aware
- ☐ Neither aware or not aware
- ☐ Not aware
- ☐ Fully not aware

D8. Would you be interested to take part in a pre-incubator and/or an incubator that could also guide you in circular economy matters?

- ☐ Yes, I would like to receive support for my business idea
- ☐ Maybe it would be helpful for my business idea
- ☐ No, I feel confident I can make it on my own