ALBANIAN EU INTEGRATION PROCESS AT A GLANCE

CITIZENS PERCEPTIONS

77% of Albanians are of the opinion that the EU integration of Albania is very important, 18% think it is important but not a priority and only 4% express that it is not important at all.

If a referendum for the EU membership of Albania would take place tomorrow 91% of Albanians would vote for the membership, 5% would vote against it, 3% would not cast a ballot at all and 1% does not know.

The main problems Albanian people are facing at the moment are a) Unemployment (45%), b) Crime (31%) and c) the economic situation in the country (30%).

63% of Albanians would consider working in an EU member state in next 2 to 5 years, with 81% of them seeking a better salary, 41% seeking professional development opportunities and 35% of them not able to find a job in Albania.

69% of Albanians think that the EU should accept the country as a member even if Albania is not ready yet, 27% think the EU should not, and 4% do not know.

67% of Albanian citizens think that online social networks are a good way to have their say on political issues.

To 72% of Albanians the EU means freedom to travel, study and work anywhere in the EU, to 60% it means democracy, to 60% it means economic prosperity and to 59% it means peace.

87% of Albanians think that the EU membership of Albania would be a good thing and 92% think that Albania would benefit from being a member of the EU.