POST-DISCUSSION SURVEY

INSTRUCTIONS: *Thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey. Your responses will contribute important information on how you feel about your experience in the discussion group today and about economic and political conditions in Lebanon. When completing the questionnaire, please keep the following things in mind:*

- Answer the following questions as honestly and carefully as possible. These questions are very important so please take your time to think them through. There are no right or wrong answers. Your answers to all questions will be kept confidential.

- Clearly mark your choice by circling **O** the appropriate response.

- If you would like to change your response, clearly cross out the old answer and circle your preferred answer.

- D**o not** leave any question blank. If you don't know the answer to a particular question or would prefer not to answer a particular question, please be sure to mark the appropriate box.

- Only use the special codes (don't know or prefer not to answer) as a last resort.

	Q1 For each of the following items A-J, please circle the number corresponding to the option that best describes how you feel about what happened during the discussion.					
		Agree a lot	**Agree a little**	**Disagree a little**	**Disagree a lot**	
A	You had ample opportunity to express your views.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
B	Participants often stated positions without justifying them.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
C	Participants seemed to care only about their own well-being.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
D	It felt like participants were hiding their true beliefs.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
E	Participants in the discussion appeared willing to change their minds.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
F	You felt that your opinions were taken seriously by other participants.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
G	You learned something new about the perspectives of others.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
H	You felt that others in the group empathized with you.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
I	You felt like you could empathize with other people in the group	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
J	The discussion made you feel anxious	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q2 When it came to economic concerns, how similar were the perspectives of the six participants in this discussion group?	1 Very similar 2 Somewhat similar 3 Not too similar 4 Not similar at all Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q3 Do you feel like you learned anything from this discussion of economic similarities or differences?	1 I learned a lot 2 I learned some things 3 I didn't learn too much 4 I didn't learn anything at all Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q4 How would you describe the level of agreement in your discussion group on potential changes to the confessional political system?	1 Agreed a lot 2 Agreed a little 3 Disagreed a little 4 Disagreed a lot Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

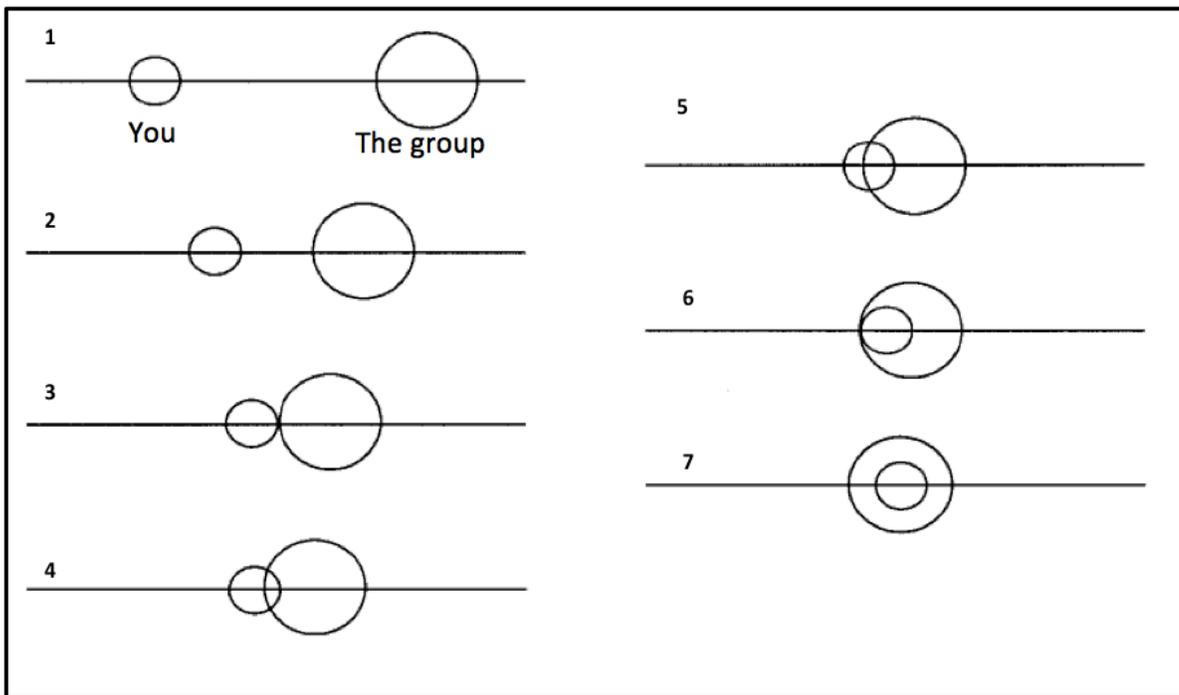| **Q5** Do you feel like you learned anything from this discussion of similarities or differences on confessional issues?	1 I learned a lot 2 I learned some things 3 I didn't learn too much 4 I didn't learn anything at all Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q6 How would you describe your overall experience of participating in the discussion?	1 Very positive 2 Somewhat positive 3 Somewhat negative 4 Very negative Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q7 How many of the people in your discussion group did you know BEFORE today?	0 people (I didn't know anyone before today) 1 person 2 people 3 people 4 people 5 people Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Below are a series of questions that ask you to look at a figure like the one below. In this figure, imagine that the small circle on the left represents you and the big circle on the right represents a group in Lebanon (e.g. the lower class, or Sunnis). For each of the groups listed below, please indicate which picture you think best represents how close you feel to that group.

Q8 Which picture do you think best represents how close you feel to each of the following groups of people? Remember the circle on the left represents you and the circle on the right represents each group.

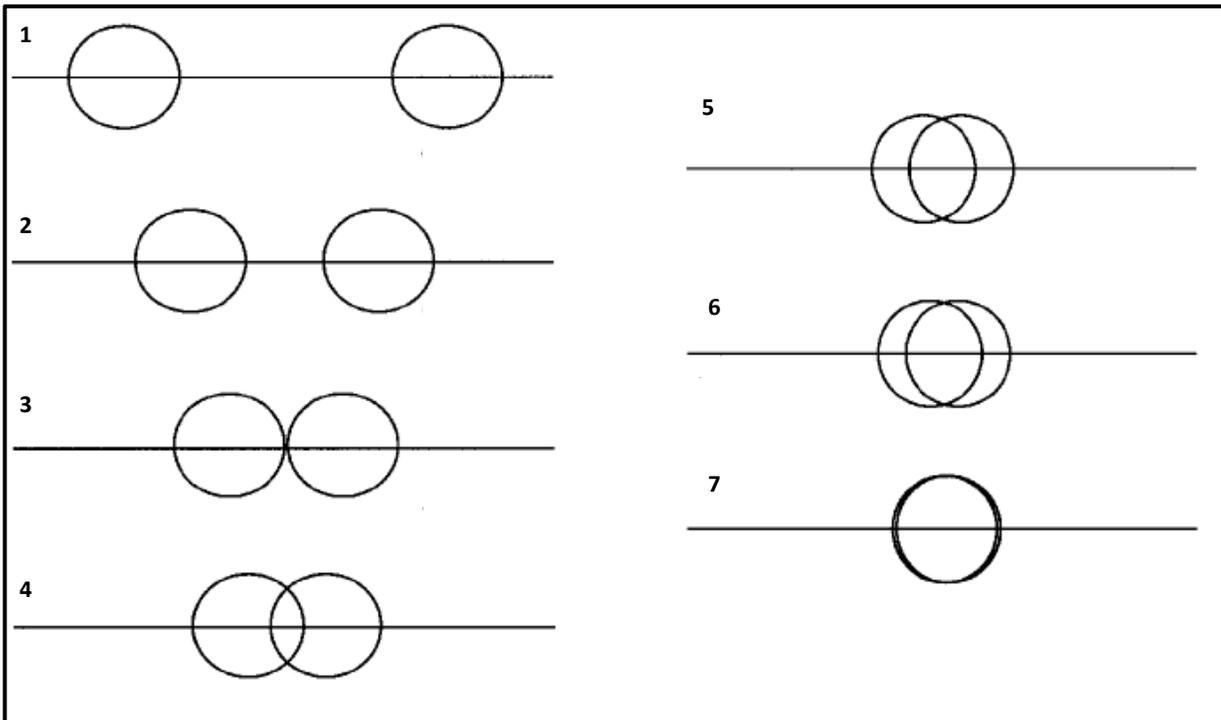|									
A	**Sunnis** that are in **the lower** economic class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
B	**Christians** that are in **the lower** economic class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
C	**Shia** that are in **the lower** economic class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
D	**Sunnis** that are in **the upper** economic class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
E	**Christians** that are in **the upper** economic class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
F	**Shia** that are in **the upper** economic class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

To help you understand the circles above, note that:

1 Indicates that you feel far from the group
2 Indicates that you feel far from that group but a little closer
3 Indicates that you feel close to that group but are not a part of it
4 Indicates that you feel a little bit part of that group
5 Indicates that you feel half a part of that group
6 Indicates that you feel a part of that group but on the fringe
7 Indicates that you feel wholly a part of that group.

Q9 I would now like to show you another picture where each circle represents two groups. For each row from A-I, imagine that the circle on the left represents that group and the circle on the right represents the other group listed. For each row, which picture do you think best represents the closeness of the two groups (how much they have in common)? **These questions are very important so please take your time to think carefully about each response.**

	Left Circle	Right Circle								
A	Lower income Christians	Upper income Christians	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
B	Lower income Sunnis	Upper income Sunnis	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
C	Lower income Shia	Upper income Shia	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

D	Lower income Shia	Lower income Sunnis	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
E	Lower income Sunnis	Lower income Christians	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
F	Lower income Christians	Lower income Shia	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

G	Upper income Shia	Upper income Sunnis	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
H	Upper income Sunnis	Upper income Christians	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
I	Upper income Christians	Upper income Shia	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

To help you understand the circles above, note that:
1. *The two groups are very far apart*
2. *The two groups are somewhat far apart*
3. *The two groups are not far apart but there is no overlap*
4. *The groups are a little close (there is a little overlap)*
5. *The groups are somewhat close (there is some overlap)*
6. *The groups are very close (there is a lot of overlap)*
7. *The groups are so close they are essentially the same*

Q10 *For each of the statements A-C below, please circle the number corresponding to the option that best describes whether you agree or disagree with the following statements as they apply to you. I am reluctant to take action on political issues because…*

A	… it creates enemies.	1 Always 2 Sometimes 3 Rarely 4 Never Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
B	… I worry about what people will think of me.	1 Always 2 Sometimes 3 Rarely 4 Never Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
C	… I sometimes don't know where I stand on certain issues.	1 Always 2 Sometimes 3 Rarely 4 Never Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q11 In 2013 the parliament debated a law to change the electoral system, one component of which dictated that voters could only elect representatives from their own confession. If a law like this were reintroduced today, how willing would you be to support it?

1 Very willing 2 Somewhat willing 3 Not too willing 4 Not willing at all Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □	

Q12 To what extent do you support civil marriage?

1 Very supportive 2 Somewhat supportive 3 Not too supportive 4 Not supportive at all Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □	

Q13 We would now like to ask you about different kinds of action that people sometimes take to try to influence or advocate public issues in Lebanon. Regarding a political, social, or economic issue that concerns you, how likely would you be **in the future** to do each of the things in A-G?						
		Very likely	Somewhat likely	Somewhat unlikely	Very unlikely	
A	Discuss the issue with family, friends, or neighbors from your same confession.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
B	Discuss the issue with family, friends, or neighbors from other confessions.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
C	Sign a petition that represents your position.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
D	Attend a protest with only people from your confession.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
E	Attend a protest with people from different confessions.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
F	Talk to party members/MPs/Zaim about the issue that concerns you.	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □
G	Join an NGO that promotes or advocates for a policy issue (for example environmental protection, electoral reform, human rights, civil marriage, etc.)	1	2	3	4	Don't know □ Prefer not to answer □

Q14 Would you say that you […] ?	1. Belong to your confessional identity more than your Lebanese identity
	2. Belong to your Lebanese identity more than your confessional identity
	3. Are only Lebanese
	4. Only belong to your confessional identity Don't know □
	5. Equally belong to your Lebanese and confessional identities Prefer not to answer □