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German leadership under Merkel, 2 in 3 Urban Indians pronounce Germany a trustworthy partner on global issues: Ipsos global survey on Angela Merkel & German leadership

8 in 10 Urban Indians bat for strong global leaders for tackling global challenges

New Delhi, September 16, 2021: German Chancellor, Angela Merkel has decided to step down from her post on Sept. 24th after 16 years of dedicated service to her nation and has decided not to recontest the elections. Ipsos conducted a 28-market survey among 20,000 global citizens to capture their views on Angela Merkel & German Leadership.

German Leadership under Angela Merkel

At least 7 in 10 Urban Indians have a kind word for Angela Merkel and believe, under her leadership, Germany has been a trustworthy partner of India on global issues.

Elaborating on the findings, **Parijat Chakraborty, Country Service Line Leader, Ipsos Public Affairs India** said, *“While Merkel does not have close association with India, at the same time we held similar views and concerns on macro global issues. She also supported India during the raging COVID19 crisis in April this year with Mission of Support.”*

Women leaders foster peace?

6 in 10 urban Indians believe the world would be more peaceful and successful if there were more women political leaders at the helm. Global citizens are displaying almost polarized views with 54% agreeing.

Solving global challenges = strong leaders?

There is wide consensus among Urban Indians and global citizens that strong global leaders are better geared in solving global challenges. At least 81% of urban Indians and 80% of global citizens endorse this view. Top countries supporting this view were: China (90%), Australia (88%) and Russia (87%).





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Regular Replacement of Leadership

Kind of a paradox. Strong leadership is good, but majority of global citizens (75%) and urban Indians (73%) believe that political leaders should be replaced regularly, to prevent them from becoming too powerful.

4 in 10 among European nations believe that the future of Europe depends on a strong German leadership.

Technical note

The sample consists of approximately 1000+ individuals in each of Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Spain, Sweden, and the US, and approximately 500+ individuals in each of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Hungary, India, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, and Turkey. This 28-country Global Advisor survey was conducted between July 23rd and August 6th 2021 via the Ipsos Online Panel system among 19,010 adults aged 18-74 in Canada, Israel, Malaysia, South Africa, Turkey and the United States, and 16-74 in all 21 other countries. The “Global Country Average” reflects the average result for all the countries where the survey was conducted. It has not been adjusted to the population size of each country and is not intended to suggest a total result. The sample consists of approximately 1000+ individuals in each of Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Spain, Sweden, and the US, and approximately 500+ individuals in each of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Hungary, India, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, and Turkey. The samples in Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Poland, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, and the US can be taken as representative of these countries’ general adult population under the age of 75.

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