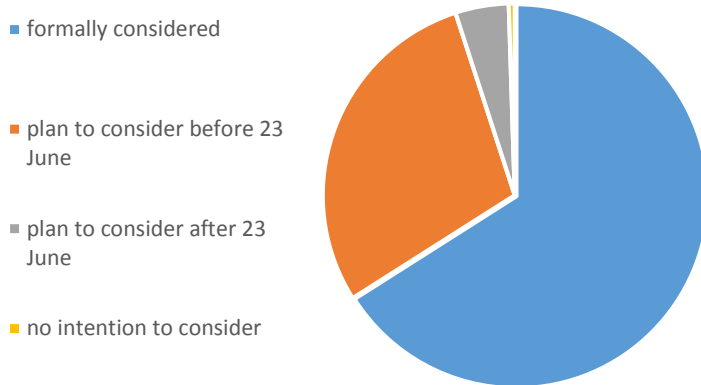
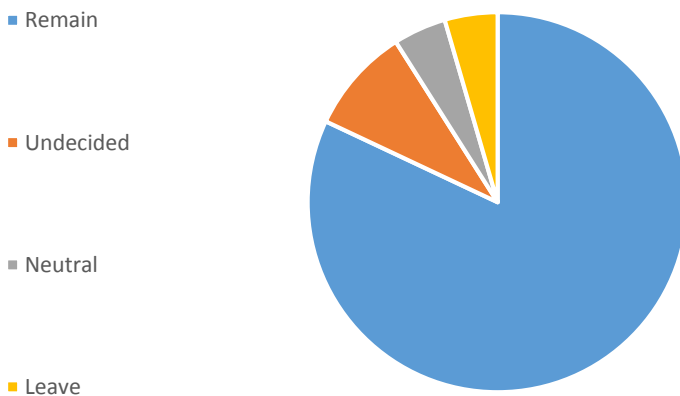


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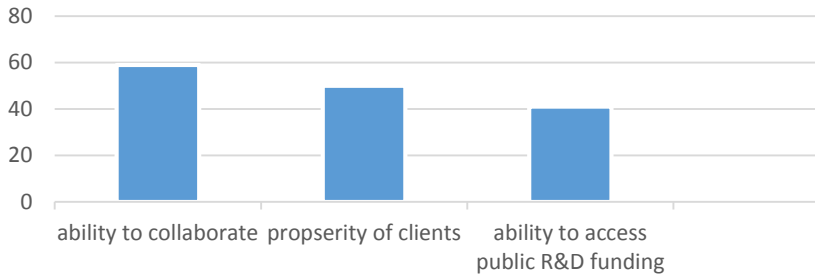
- Two thirds of AIRTO members have formally considered their organisation's position at Board level
- Of the remaining member:
  - Two thirds will do so before referendum day
  - 10% will wait for the result before board discussion
  - 5% do not intend to discuss it at all as the impact is not considered to be material to their operations

Preference to leave or remain



- 82% expressed a preference to remain in the EU
- Of the remaining 18%:
  - 50% are undecided
  - 25% are neutral
  - 25% expressed a preference to leave the EU

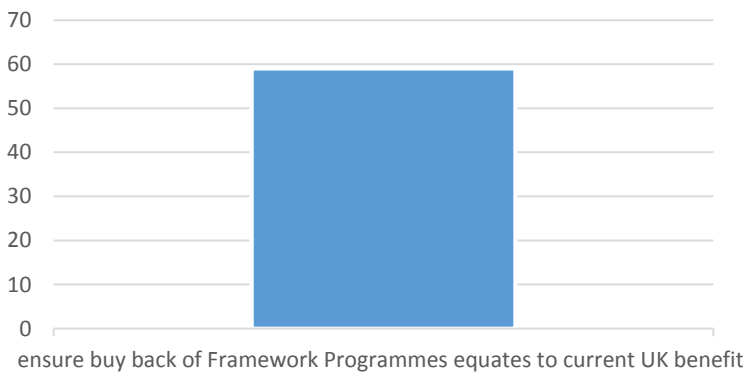
% members identifying negative impacts of BREXIT



The main negative impacts of leaving the EU are considered to be on:

- Ability to participate readily in collaborative programmes - 59% commented
- Prosperity of their clients - 50% commented
- Ability to access public funding for r&d - 41% commented

% members identifying mitigating actions in event of BREXIT



In the event of a vote to leave the main priority should be to ensure that the UK buys back into Horizon 2020/Framework Programmes, or replaces the current level of return to the UK from these source with greater national funding for r&d.

- 59% emphasised the criticality of this issue