

# What do you think?

## A Globalization Survey

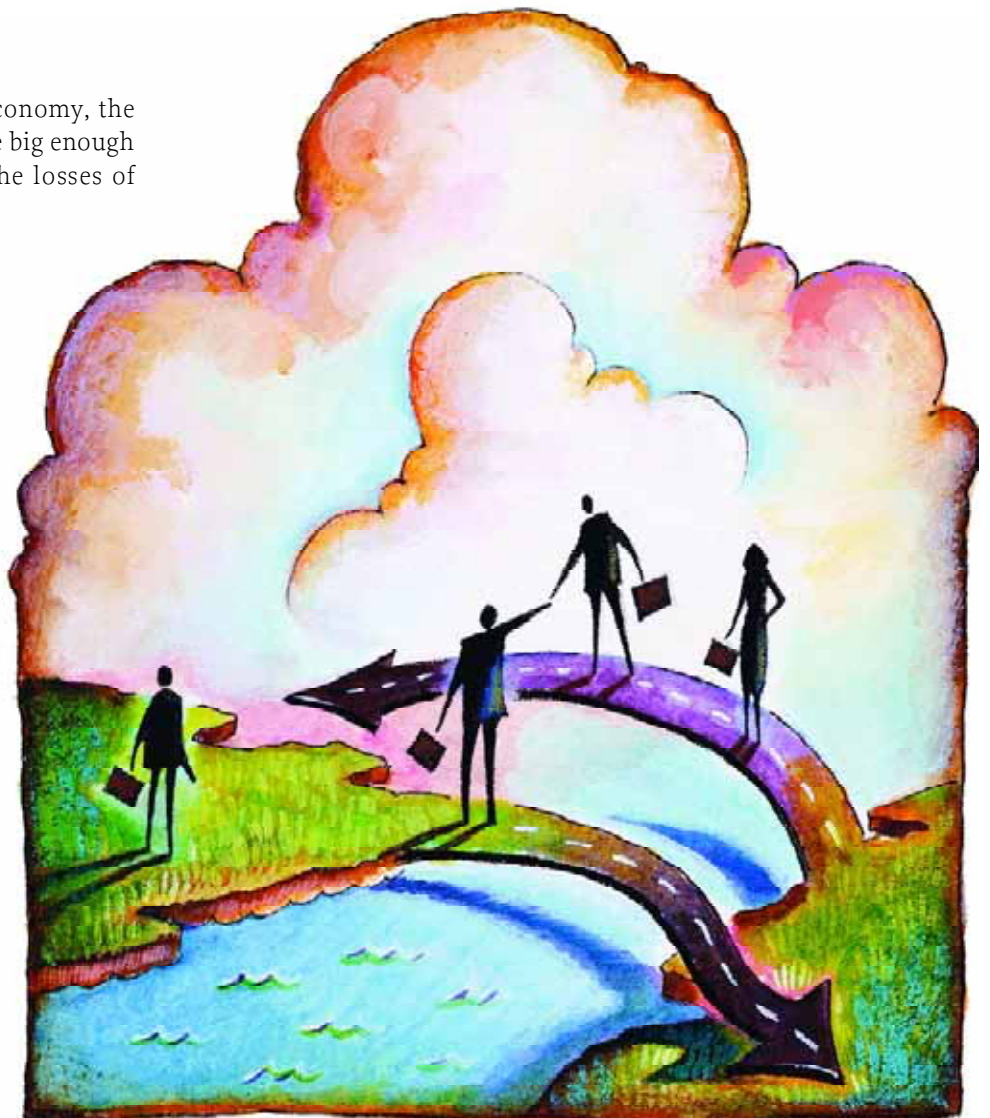
**This survey has no right or wrong answers.**

1. Education won't necessarily guarantee you a good job, but without it your chances of finding a good job in the global economy are minimal.

- Strongly agree
- Agree somewhat
- Disagree somewhat
- Strongly disagree

2. In the transition to a global economy, the gains of American winners will be big enough to more than compensate for the losses of those who don't fare as well.

- Strongly agree
- Agree somewhat
- Disagree somewhat
- Strongly disagree



3. Economist Larry Mishel of the Economic Policy Institute: “The dynamics that create lower prices at [giant discount retailers] for American consumers are also undercutting the ability of many, many workers to earn decent wages and benefits and have a stable life.”

- Strongly agree
- Agree somewhat
- Disagree somewhat
- Strongly disagree

4. American consumers have a responsibility to press for better working conditions in off-shore factories owned by American companies.

- Strongly agree
- Agree somewhat
- Disagree somewhat
- Strongly disagree

5. Two products of comparable quality: one is American-made, the other is made offshore. How much more would you be willing to pay for the American-made product?

- 20 percent
- 10 percent
- 5 percent
- not a penny more

6. Do the rest of us have a responsibility to help when American workers lose their jobs because their companies move offshore?

- Definitely
- In some cases
- Probably not
- So, why is this my problem?

7. Thomas Friedman writes, “Here is the dirty little secret that no CEO wants to tell you: they are not just outsourcing to save on salary. They are doing it because they can often get better-skilled and more productive people than their American workers.” What do you think?

- Absolutely!
- Probably more true than not
- Not sure
- No way!

8. Friedman again: “There is no sugar-coating this: in a flat world, every individual is going to have to run a little faster if he or she wants to advance his or her standard of living.” What do you think?

- I’ve got my running shoes on, and I’m ready to go.
- Probably true
- Not sure
- It’s just not worth it

9. Global competition will force the United States to cut back on environmental protections and workplace safety regulations.

- Strongly agree
- Agree somewhat
- Disagree somewhat
- Strongly disagree

10. Michael Cox and Richard Alm: “Trade is the great generator of economic well-being. It enriches nations because it allows companies and workers to specialize in doing what they do best. Competition forces them to become more productive. In the end, consumers reap the bounty of cheaper and better goods and services.”

- Strongly agree
- Agree somewhat
- Disagree somewhat
- Strongly disagree

