DwB-Training Course:
Working with data from official statistics in Europe particularly the European Union Statistics on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC) longitudinal component

Paris (France), 19-21 February, 2014
at GENES - Groupe des Écoles Nationales d'Économie et Statistique

One of the core objectives of Data without Boundaries is to promote the use of integrated official statistics in Europe. The Data without Boundaries project seeks to inform the research community on possibilities for application and the potential for social enquiry of official European microdata.

To this aim Data without Boundaries, in cooperation with Eurostat, is organizing a series of three day training courses on integrated Eurostat datasets. Courses will provide information on available microdata in Europe as well as ways to access these data. This third course will focus on the European Union Statistics on Living Conditions (EU-SILC) with a specific focus on the longitudinal component. Local organization lies with Réseau Quetelet, host of the training course is GENES - Groupe des Écoles Nationales d'Économie et Statistique both in Paris (France); other partners involved in this course are Eurostat (Luxembourg), GESIS-Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences (Mannheim), the Economic and Social Research Institute (Ireland), and INSEE-Institut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (Paris).

The course is aimed at post graduate and senior researchers from throughout Europe who are seeking to conduct research on the basis of the EU-SILC. Besides highlighting the legal and administrative aspects of data access the course will demonstrate the possibilities of the EU-SILC in a hands-on computer session which will explore the potential for both international as well as longitudinal analysis. Basic understanding in multivariate statistical methods and Stata will be required.

The course will take place in Paris, France from the 19th to the 21st of February 2014 and will consist of the following parts:

Part I: Overview of European Data from Official Statistics
Part II: Introduction to SILC
Part III: Practical Training Session

Interested parties should send a short application letter (max. 500 words) explaining their motivation to participate in this course to 3rd-dwb-training@gesis.org. Deadline for applications will be January 17th, 2014. For further information please contact christof.wolfgesis.org.

Participants will have to cover their own expenses for travel and accommodation, attendance of the course is free.
Outline for DwB-Training Course on EU-SILC Longitudinal Data

DAY 1, Wednesday, February 19, 2014

Part I: Overview of European Data from Official Statistics
13.00-13.30 Christof Wolf (GESIS)
   Welcome and Overview of Data without Boundaries
13.30-14.15 Roxane Silberman (Réseau Quetelet)
   Overview of European Data from Official Statistics
14.15-15.30 Michel Isnard (INSEE)
   Regulations for Data Access
15.30-16.00 Break

Part II: Introduction to SILC
16.00-17.30 Boyan Genev (Eurostat)
   Introduction to EU-SILC

DAY 2, Thursday, February 20, 2014

9.00-10.30 Bertrand Maître (Economic and Social Research Institute)
   Introduction to SILC longitudinal data from a research perspective
10.30-11.00 Break
11.00-11.45 Heike Wirth (GESIS)
   Data Structure, Documentation and Additional Resources
11.45-12.30 Heike Wirth and Christof Wolf (GESIS)
   Introduction to Training Dataset
12.30-14.00 Lunch

Part III: Practical Training Session
14.00-18.00 Practical Computing Session I

Day 3, Friday, February 21, 2014

9.00-12.30 Practical Computing Session II
12.30 End of course