



# Country Presentation: Germany

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## German GGS, Wave 2

- After editing and pre-harmonization of raw data of wave 2, checks of plausibility have been undertaken
- Checks of plausibility contain:
  - logical consistency within the data of the second wave and
  - comparison of biographical information given in wave 1 as well in wave 2
- Further editing of pre-harmonized dataset, which has been delivered to NIDI in March 2012
- Construction of flag variables and supplemental flag dataset, which will be provided to NIDI in June 2012
- Whole procedure has been documented in English-speaking publication, which comprises:
  - information about the methodological approach of wave 2
  - detailed overview on the data editing and cleaning procedures before and after pre-harmonization (including SPSS-syntax)
  - description of plausibility checks and flag variables
  - German questionnaire and booklet of cards and
  - information on the panel maintenance
- English-speaking publication will be provided to NIDI in June 2012



## **Additional sample of Turkish migrants, GGS wave 2**

- Same procedure for the second wave of the sub-sample of Turkish migrants...
- Editing and pre-harmonization of raw data of wave 2 and checks of plausibility completed
- Further editing of pre-harmonized dataset, which has been delivered to NIDI in May 2012
- Construction of flag variables and supplemental flag dataset, which will be provided to NIDI in July 2012
- English-speaking publication, which will be provided to NIDI also in July 2012

## **Contextual database**

...final version has been delivered to MPI /INED in October 2011



# Problems with retrospective data in the German GGS, wave 1

- Distortions in retrospective data (fertility and partnership histories) of the German GGS have been detected
  - Cohorts 1930-54: overestimation of childless women and women never married
  - Cohorts 1955-69: underestimation of childless women and overrepresentation of married women
- ⇒ Analysis of possible reasons with special regard to survey design factors and interviewer effects have been undertaken
- ⇒ Recommendations for further handling of the German GGS have been developed
- ⇒ Working paper on this topic have been published

# German GGS, Wave 3?