Call for Papers

Microdata from Eurostat
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4th European User Conference

Mannheim, March 5 - 6, 2015

Organized by
German Microdata Lab, GESIS, in cooperation with Eurostat

Microdata from Eurostat are the basis for comparative social research in Europe. An increasing number of researchers use these data for a wide range of economic and social analyses. Topics addressed include e.g. the impact of the crisis on employment and unemployment, quality of work, innovativeness of enterprises, labour migration, poverty and social exclusion, income inequality, household expenditure, adult education, population health. In addition to substantive issues, presentations focusing on methodological topics are also welcomed. They may include e.g. questions of data quality, cross-national and inter-temporal comparability as well as the comparability of different EU surveys.

The 4th European User Conference for Eurostat microdata is organized by the German Microdata Lab, GESIS, in cooperation with Eurostat, and is financially supported by Data without Boundaries an EU-funded project supporting equal and easy access to official microdata for the European Research Area. The conference will provide researchers with the opportunity to present and discuss their work and share their experience. In addition to fostering the discussion within the research community on both substantive and methodological issues, the conference offers researchers the opportunity to give feedback to the European Statistical System. Eurostat will inform about new developments in the field of EU social statistics.

Researchers of all disciplines (e.g. economics, demography, geography, political science, public health, and sociology) who use Eurostat microdata are encouraged to participate and to submit an abstract. All presentations must be comparative and include data from at least two countries.

SUBMISSIONS:
The deadline for submissions of abstracts is **September 30, 2014**. Proposals should be submitted online via the presentation submission form at the conference webpage.

Abstracts should not be longer than 1000 words. The abstract should be informative, clearly state the research question, indicate the dataset(s) used and the countries analyzed. The submitters will be notified by December 20, 2014, whether their paper was accepted for presentation or not.

For any further questions please contact the local organizers Christof Wolf (Christof.wolf@gesis.org) and Heike Wirth (heike.wirth@gesis.org) and visit the conference webpage at
http://www.gesis.org/en/events/conferences/european-user-conference-4/