

Call for Proposals

The German Emigration and Remigration Panel Study (GERPS) invites proposals for an open questionnaire module

About GERPS

GERPS provides an empirical basis for investigating the consequences of international migration across the life course. GERPS is a joint project of the University of Duisburg-Essen and the German Federal Institute for Population Research (BiB) in Wiesbaden. The project is funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). GERPS is based on a sample drawn from local population registers. GERPS covers German citizens between the ages of 20 and 70 who have either emigrated from Germany or remigrated to Germany during the period between July 2017 and June 2018. GERPS participants received a letter with an invitation to answer an online questionnaire mainly including questions about employment, family life, health, and social cohesion. GERPS is an official sister study of the German Socio-Economic Panel (SOEP). That opens potential for the comparison of migrant- and non-migrant populations. The first three survey waves have been finished. In the first wave about 11,000 online-interviews were conducted. At wave 3 there were still more than 6,000 emigrants and remigrants who participated in the panel. The fourth wave is scheduled for fall 2020. For further information including data documentation visit our website:

www.bib.bund.de/P/EN/GERPS/Home.html.

Proposal requirements

In a competitive call we offer space for researchers to include questions or short topical questionnaire modules in GERPS, wave 4. Proposals are welcome in German or English. There will be a two-stage selection procedure. At stage one, interested researchers must submit a preliminary concept by **24 April 2020**. This preliminary concept should describe the main idea of the questionnaire module and contain a preliminary version of the suggested questions. It should not exceed two pages. At stage two, up to five submission are selected and invited to submit a full proposal by **15 May 2020**. The full proposal should not exceed five pages and should include:

- title and author(s)
- a description of the main research questions that should be addressed by the proposed questionnaire module (max. 100 words)
- the theoretical background and the main intention of the project (max. two pages)
- hypotheses that are planned to be tested (up to three)
- information about statistical methods that should be used to test the formulated hypotheses (max. half a page)
- information about expected publications
- version of the final set of proposed survey questions or other tested survey instruments including an estimation of the necessary interview time

Applicants should keep in mind that the **total maximum interview time** we can offer for an external questionnaire module is **two minutes**. Ideally, no filters are necessary for the integration of the proposed questionnaire module with the GERPS online survey.

Submissions should be sent to Marcel Erlinghagen at the University of Duisburg-Essen (marcel.erlinghagen@uni-due.de). If you have any questions please also contact Marcel Erlinghagen.