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About CESSDA ERIC

CESSDA ERIC provides large scale, integrated and sustainable data services to the social sciences. It brings together social science data archives across Europe, with the aim of promoting the results of social science research and supporting national and international research and cooperation.

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What are the benefits of a national data service?

From a research policy perspective, national data services provide a number of benefits to scientific communities that justify the needed investment.

Long-term access

To ensure wider and more effective use of existing data, respecting FAIR (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable) principles

More efficient use of public finances

Publicly funded data are further exploited by secondary users for new insights and scientific contributions

Stronger research practice and quality

By rendering research more transparent and open for replicability

Funding and publication in journals

Increasingly a requirement that data be deposited in archives/repositories

Added value of secondary research

Secondary data brings value to university lecturers and students, as well as to society and business

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Who are we?

The Ukraine National Data Bank of Sociological Data "Kyiv archive" (Data Bank) was created in 2015 by the Kyiv International Institute of Sociology (KIIS) and the Center for "Social indicators", together with the National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy, thanks to financing by the International Renaissance Foundation. The Kyiv archive was created to preserve data from social surveys conducted in Ukraine and to make such data easily and freely accessible to all interested persons or entities both in Ukraine and abroad. Currently it is the only archive in Ukraine which collects, preserves and provides open access to sociological data for a wide range of users. The Data Bank already has a host institution and funding institution: Kyiv International Institute of Sociology.

Our mission

Our overall mission is to promote evidence-based thinking about social processes in Ukraine, both in Ukrainian society and abroad. We believe that a thorough understanding of the ongoing processes in society is impossible without reliable and valid data from sociological surveys.

What do we do?

The main services are:

- » solicitation and acquisition of data from data producers;
- » data recovery and long-term preservation;
- » online cataloguing and classification of archived data, creating thematic compilations and tags to ease data search;
- registering users and providing access to data for secondary analysis;
- » online tools for data analysis and variable exploration;
- » user support for data search and use.

Several additional services and activities include support, assistance, and advice for data depositors, translation of survey materials into English (on a routine basis and upon request), promotional activities and outreach for users.

What kind of data do we have?

The Data Bank stores and shares data from the social sciences. We do not prioritise specific disciplines, however the current collection contains mainly survey data for sociology and political sciences, which reflects the data provided by depositors. Both quantitative and qualitative traditional-scale data for the period from the earliest studies in modern Ukraine history (1989-1991) up until now can be stored in the archive. However, for the time being we only have quantitative data.

Who is it for?

Data and other survey materials stored at the Data Bank are intended for all interested persons and are available for use by students and researchers as well as individuals outside academic circles.

The Data Bank services are aimed at:

- » university students (bachelor, master, doctoral);
- » university researchers and teachers;
- » researchers from other public or private institutions;
- » journalists;
- representatives from governmental and non-governmental organisations.

The Data Bank will strive to create a consortium of universities and polling companies and would also be interested in joining CESSDA ERIC to be part of a network of archives to share experiences and participate in projects.

The Data Bank has a large network of archives in Europe to provide it with support via possible future membership of CESSDA ERIC.

More information

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