



# Panel session with researchers



# Céreq's experience about access and use of Eurostat microdata within the context of the SocIEtY project

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# Specific research

**SocIEtY**

Social Innovation | Empowering the  
Young for the Common Good

- SocIEtY is an interdisciplinary research project which has received funding from the European Union's Seventh Framework Programme (FP7/2007-2013) under Grant Agreement no 320136.

Coordination by Bielefeld University

Consortium of 13 partners from 11 European countries

- *Issues at stake*

How do young people aged 15-24 live in different European countries today?

What can be done to create social and institutional opportunities which will better enable them to live lives they have reason to value?

## *Theoretical background*

The project draws on Amartya Sen's capability approach

## *Mix of qualitative and quantitative analyses*



<http://www.society-youth.eu>



# Data used

- *Quantitative analyses on 1) education (Napier University)  
2) social participation (University of Pavia)*  
→ Use of EU-SILC data
- *Quantitative analyses on labour market issues (Céreq: Josiane Vero and Céline Goffette)*  
→ Use of EU-LFS data

# Support and obstacles encountered

- *Concerning data access (collective application coordinated by Alkje Sommerfeld)*

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Overall impression: an exhausting and time-consuming experience...

- we ran through new regulations nobody was familiar with
- on the one hand, massive strictness and rigidity of the procedure, and on the other hand, lack of clearness and structured instructions (what, when, who?)
- ✚ all contact persons at Eurostat have been supportive

- *Concerning data use*

Overall impression: lost in the documentation jungle

- EU-LFS quality reports sometimes do not give enough details
- ✚ the EU-SILC Interest Group on CIRCABC is a valuable resource
- ✚ DwB training courses + the MISSY website are VERY useful



# Thanks for Listening

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