

## **DwB-Training Course: Working with data from official statistics in Europe particularly the European Labour Force Survey**

Mannheim (Germany), 18-20 July, 2012

One of the core objectives of Data without Boundaries is to promote the use of integrated official statistics in Europe. The Data without Boundaries project seeks to inform the research community on possibilities for application and the potential for social enquiry of official European microdata.

To this aim Data without Boundaries organizes in cooperation with Eurostat a series of three day training courses on integrated Eurostat datasets. Courses will provide information on available microdata in Europe as well as ways to access these data. This first course will particularly focus on the European Labour Force Survey (EU-LFS) and will be hosted by GESIS (Mannheim); other partners involved in this course are UK Data Archive (Essex), Réseau Quetelet (Paris), Institut National de la Statistique et des Etudes Economiques (Paris) and Eurostat (Luxembourg).

The course is aimed at post graduate and senior researchers from throughout Europe who are seeking to conduct research on the basis of the EU- LFS. Besides highlighting the legal and administrative aspects of data access the course will demonstrate the possibilities of the EU-LFS in a hands-on computer session which will explore the potential for both international as well as longitudinal analysis. A basic understanding of multivariate statistical methods and SPSS/Stata will be required.

The course will take place in Mannheim (just 30 Minutes from Frankfurt airport). It will begin on 18 July 2012 at 14 hours and end on 20 July 2012 at noon. The course will consist of the following three parts:

Part I: Overview of European Data from Official Statistics

Part II: The EU-LFS: Content, documentation, data structure, analysis

Part III: Accessing confidential national microdata

Interested parties should send a short application letter (max. 500 words) explaining their motivation to participate in this course to [1st-dwb-training@gesis.org](mailto:1st-dwb-training@gesis.org). Deadline for applications will be June 15th, 2012. For further information please contact [christof.wolf@gesis.org](mailto:christof.wolf@gesis.org).

Participants will have to cover their own expenses for travel and accommodation, attendance of the course is free.