

# Outline for integration and joint dissemination of EVS 2017 and WVS 2017/18 data

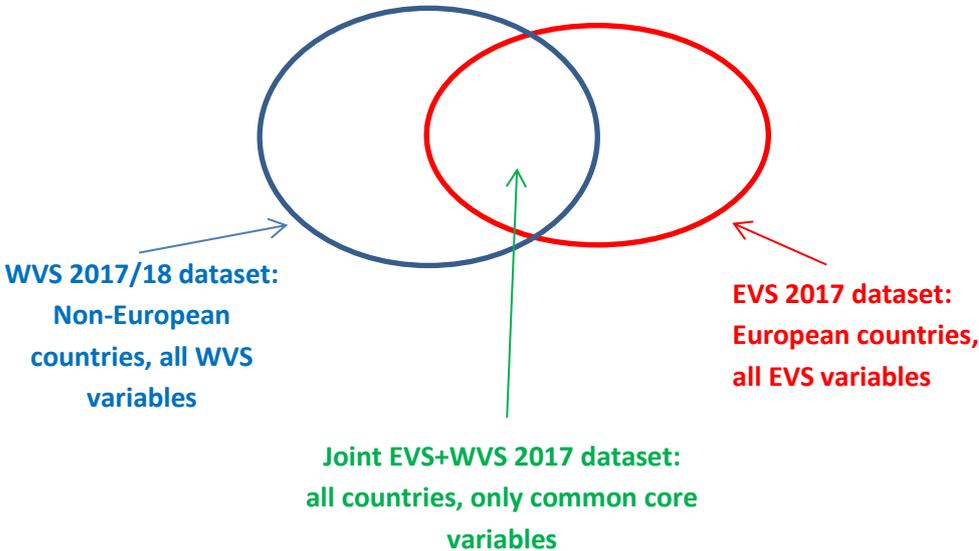
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## Guiding Principles

- The data dissemination policies of both groups are directed towards easy reuse and transparency on methods. Still, agreements on the dissemination of any joint files should honor existing differences with regard to embargo spells and obligations versus funders.
- Both groups start by producing separate cross-national files for data from the world regions under their respective responsibility, following the timing that is best for each group on the background of their data collection and preparation processes.
- For any joint files, property rights will be fairly shared and parallel dissemination of identical copies will be carefully organized, to allow for maximal consistency and reproducibility of published results using data from either source.

## Datasets to be provided to secondary users

The best combination of quick releases and ease of use can be achieved by producing three different cross-sectional datasets relating to EVS 2017 and WVS 2017/18.



**EVS2017** will include all European countries and all data (questions/variables) collected using the EVS questionnaire.

**WVS 2017/18** will include only non-European countries and all data (questions/variables) collected using the WVS questionnaire.

**EVS+WVS 2017** will include the core common items and the socio-demographic variables collected in all European and non-European countries.

## Data producers and distributors

1. DAS-GESIS is producer of EVS 2017 and EVS longitudinal file and has right of distributing EVS+WVS 2017 dataset (thereby, any joint EVS+WVS files will be automatically fed into the CESSDA network systems, further increasing the visibility of WVS data).
2. ASEP/JDS is producer of WVS 2017 and the WVS longitudinal file and has right of distributing EVS+WVS 2017 dataset.
3. DAS and ASEP/JDS jointly produce and both distribute any joint EVS+WVS longitudinal file(s) (previously called “Integrated Values Surveys”). They will in due time agree on an efficient and reliable process for granting the fixity and identity of the datasets distributed through both channels.
4. There will be an agreement between both groups on the bibliographical citation of any joint data sets, the usage of persistent identifiers for them, the exchange of user statistics, etc.

## Common dictionary

1. A common dictionary for any joint EVS+WVS files shall be explicitly and bindingly agreed upon in advance, i.e. even before the first release of any independent EVS or WVS datasets.
2. Both EVS and WVS are free to use or not to use this dictionary for their independent releases.

## Property rights

1. EVS partners have property right of national data from their countries, except for the obligation to provide it for the integration to the cross-national EVS file.
2. EVS has property right of the cross-national dataset EVS 2017 and EVS longitudinal file
3. WVS has property right of WVS2017/18 and WVS longitudinal file.
4. EVS and WVS jointly hold property rights of EVS+WVS2017 and of EVS+WVS longitudinal file. Implications to be spelled out in separate agreement.

## Embargos, data release schedules, updates

1. According to the current policy EVS data, including EVS 2017, will be publicly released when it is ready for use with sufficient quality. EVS has no embargo policy on data and all European partners will be obliged to comply with this rule for their contribution to the cross-national EVS file.
2. WVS is free to follow any own embargo rules. As the joint cross-section file and joint longitudinal file are always produced after the independent EVS- and WVS files, any embargos will automatically be honored in the joint files.
3. Joint EVS-WVS files and updates to these will be produced and simultaneously released following an agreed, pre-determined schedule.