

# European Values Study & World Values Survey Association

Zoom Meeting  
Friday, August 14, 2020 – 13:00-14:00

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## WVS7 and EVS17 data files

### WVS7 data files released

Data file	Dictionary	New standards used
World Values Survey Wave 7 (2017-2020)	WVS7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ISO 3166-1 alpha-3 country code</li> <li>- CoW country code numeric</li> <li>- CoW country code alpha</li> <li>- Region ISO 3166-2</li> <li>- Language</li> </ul>
Provisional version: EVS/WVS Values Survey 2017-2020 - Joint Core (v1)	WVS7	
WVS Time Series 1981 2020	Updated common dictionary	
Provisional version: EVS/WVS Values Survey 2017-2020 - Joint Core (v1_2)	WVS7	

### Planned EVS17 releases

Data file	Release date	Countries	Dictionary
EVS17 full release	mid-Oct 2020	34 (+ GR, FI_SE, RO_HU individual)	EVS17
Joint EVS/WVS	end-Oct 2020	34	Common dictionary (to be agreed)
EVS17 full release update	Apr 2021	34-37 (+ LU, UA, LV) (+TR, MA individual)	EVS17
EVS LDF update	Apr 2021	34-37	Common dictionary (to be agreed)

## Update on the fieldwork schedules (EVS)

- New EVS countries
  - Luxembourg: confirmed Data deposit by early October
  - Ukraine: in consultation process
  - Latvia: Fieldwork yet to start
  
- Last Data deposit deadline
  - early October
  
- Last communication about status of incoming data and final decision
  - end of August (Tilburg Team)

# Joint data file: Work & time plan

**EVS proposal: Assuming that the data will be published at the end of October**

*Until the end of August*

- Agreement of the common workflow
- Working through the issues list
- Agreement on dataset structure and common dictionary

*Until end of September*

- Agreement on the standardised/harmonised variables
- Finishing the syntax for applying the common dictionary
- Starting with the preparation of the documentation

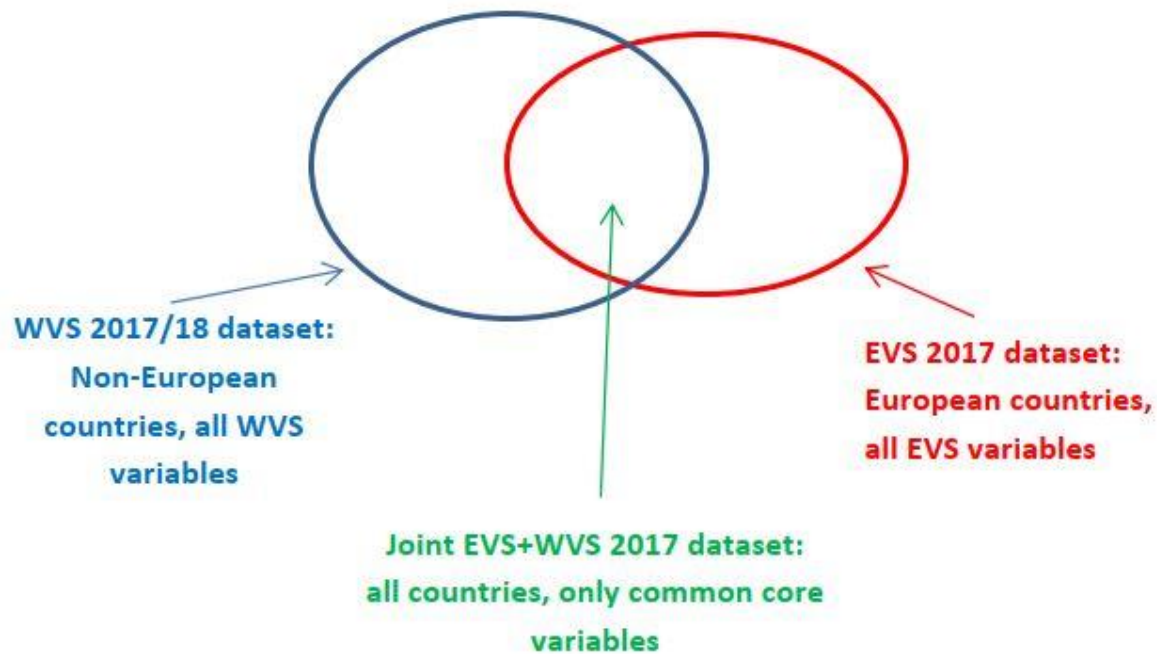
*Until mid-October*

- Finalising of the Joint data set and final check round
- Completion of the documentation and final check round
- Design of the web pages

## Joint data file: Agreement on communication/exchanges

- (short) weekly meetings

# Dataset structure



EVS+WVS 2017 will include

- the core common items
- the socio-demographic variables

# Joint data file: Workflow

## Common steps

1. EVS/WVS agree on the data file structure and common dictionary
2. The standard setup for using the common dictionary will be created commonly
3. Both surveys adapt their partial data file based on this
4. The partial data files can be merged in both directions
5. The joint data file will be approved by both partners before publication



## Joint data file: Documentation for pre- and full releases

- Coordinated information on the EVS/WVS/GESIS websites
- Short documents with context information
  - Conditions of use , Data file information,  
User information, Bibliographic citation
- EVS and WVS master questionnaires
- Codebook
  - Summarized methodological information  
Variable documentation

# Joint data file: Access routes

## **EVS/GESIS**

- EVS and GESIS websites
- GESIS: DC, ZACAT, CESSDA Catalogue  
(need to apply GESIS tools/standards for documentation)

## **WVS**

- WVS website
- ...

# Joint data file: Citation format (WVS proposal)

## Two products

### WVS: F00010766-WVS EVS Citation format

#### For the WVS data (2017-2020) component:

Haerpfer, C., Inglehart, R., Moreno, A., Welzel, C., Kizilova, K., Diez-Medrano J., M. Lagos, P. Norris, E. Ponarin & B. Puranen et al. (eds.). 2020. World Values Survey: Round Seven – Country-Pooled Datafile. Madrid, Spain & Vienna, Austria: JD Systems Institute & WVSA Secretariat [Version: <http://www.worldvaluessurvey.org/WVSDocumentationWV7.jsp>].

#### For EVS data (2017-2020) component:

EVS (2020): European Values Study 2017: Integrated Dataset (EVS 2017). GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA7500 Data file Version 3.0.0, [doi:10.4232/1.13511](https://doi.org/10.4232/1.13511)

## Joint product

### - Two citations

differing regarding the information on data archives, ZA Study number, and DOI (informing about where the data were downloaded from)

### - To be agreed

- Common version number (GESIS: 1.0.0 format)

- Organisations or names

(organisations agreed so far for the IVS, see Conditions of Use)

Citation in GESIS study description is formed from: [Principal Investigator] ([Version year]): [Title]. [Collector]. GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. [Study number] Data file version [Version number], [DOI].

# Subsequent versions of the joint EVS-WVS dataset

## **EVS proposal**

We publish the next data file in sync with major updates of the source files:

Next updates are scheduled for

- EVS17 full release: April 2021
- WVS7: ...

## Good practice about data release and archiving

- Transparency regarding versioning and errata
- Common versioning
- Store all data file versions for replications
- Store syntax, internal working files, and process information
- Include necessary admin/protocol/ID variables
- Provide common documentation and information (with cross-reference)
- Provide assistance to users
- Maintain errata lists
- Exchange user statistics or download numbers

# Data quality review

- Overview of the data quality in the provisional EVS-WVS dataset
  - Summary\_of\_Issues\_v1a (docx)
  - EVS\_WVS\_Joint\_mapping\_issues\_v02a (xls)
- Discrepancies in the scales in some EVS/WVS questions & solutions
  - Membership
  - Pray, ....
- Harmonization of socioeconomic & territorial variables
  - Religion
  - Political parties
  - Occupation
  - Region, ...

# Joint data file: Requirements for the inclusion of variables (1)

## EVS and WVS agree:

- To include
  - Admin variables, ID variables
  - Protocol variables necessary to explain dataset structure and contents
  - The weight variables
- If possible, to create new harmonised variables
  - (e.g. membership in voluntary organisations)
- If available, to always include
  - Source variables (c-sp variables) to harmonized variables
  - Flag variables to item batteries
  - Other DK/NA/NONE variables to item batteries
- To not include separately variables that could not be harmonized
  - Exception: if they are core variables and we want to make the differences visible to the users (e.g. political parties)

## Joint data file: Requirements for the inclusion of variables (2)

### **EVS and WVS agree:**

- Regarding standardization/harmonization
  - To use common standards where possible (country, language, etc.) and survey-specific standards if necessary
  - To not standardize value labels for long list variables such as political parties that were checked and approved by EVS experts and country teams
  - To create new variables for updated standards such as ISCED11
  - To only include classifications and indices if they are available in both EVS and WVS
  
- Regarding anonymization
  - To apply the same measures as in the EVS2017 (pre-) releases
  
- To provide documentation including (codebook, context)
  - EVS and WVS question texts
  - Information on standards applied, harmonization concepts
  - Information on the anonymization process