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Development of the GGP under the FP7 project

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Background

- 2006: EC identified GGP as emerging research infrastructure
- 2007: FP7 design study submitted to EC, UNECE as coordinator
- 2007: FP7 proposal accepted (but budget cuts)
- 2008: negotiations UNECE – EC not successful
- 2009: NIDI as new coordinator

UNECE: policy focus
NIDI: scientific focus



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Overview FP7 design study

Participants

- NIDI, The Hague
- INED, Paris
- Bocconi University, Milan
- Statistics Norway, Oslo
- Demographic Research Institute, Budapest
- NOVA, Oslo*
- University of Ljubljana*
- Utrecht University*
- York University
- MPI, Rostock



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Objectives of FP7 design study

General: improve the knowledge base for population policy-making through

- easy access to data
- wider range of theoretical perspectives
- new measures
- minimising low-response distortions
- greater cost-effectiveness of data collection
- better cross-national comparability
- advanced methods of data analysis



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Organization of FP7 design study

General: four working groups*

- data harmonization and dissemination (Pearl Dykstra)
- data collection methods (Zsolt Spéder)
- measurement (Francesco Billari & Arnstein Aassve)
- methodological research (Joop Hox)

*Confusion IWG terminology. Therefore: NNFP.



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Benefits for GGP community

- New questionnaire (summer 2012), including improved measures of “old” concepts and new measures (personality, social networks, perhaps also biomarkers)
- Training workshop (summer 2010) on using the survey and contextual data
- Training workshop (summer 2012) on new methods of analysis (multi-level, data imputation, equivalence tests)



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New website

- <http://www.ggp-i.org>
- demonstration will follow



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Moves, transitions

- Andrej Kveder from Geneva to The Hague (kveder@nidi.nl)
- Pearl Dykstra moving to Erasmus University Rotterdam (dykstra@fsw.eur.nl)
- Aart Liefbroer will take over as GGP-coordinator (liefbroer@nidi.nl)



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Close collaboration with:

- MULTILINKS (full title: “How demographic changes shape intergenerational solidarity, well-being, and social integration: A multilinks framework”)
- REPRO (full title: “Reproductive decision-making in a macro-micro perspective”).



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Ultimate goal

- implement the upgraded programme in new rounds of centrally coordinated data collection
- serve as model for the development of a comparative and cumulative research process integrating the European Research Area



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