

Workshop Overview

FReDA – The German Family Demography Panel Study was established in 2020 and is a longitudinal panel study that collects data about the living situations of partnerships and families in Germany. Questions included in FReDA explore a variety of demographic, psychological and sociological facets of life in Germany, making it an ideal dataset to investigate, such as decision-making among couples, relationships between generations, division of housework, work-life balance, life satisfaction, and more.

FReDA has two additional unique features. First, FReDA participates in the Generations and Gender Survey every three years, making it possible to conduct cross-country analysis using harmonized data. Second, FReDA has integrated the sample from the German Family Panel pairfam, a renowned German longitudinal study that came to an end in 2022 and provides a subsample of over 4,500 respondents over 14-year period. The purpose of this workshop is to give first-time users and researchers a comprehensive overview of the FReDA content and design.

Workshop Objectives

- Explain the purpose of the study
- Integration of the Generations and Gender Survey (GGS) and the German Family Panel (pairfam)
- Present the survey design and content of FReDA
- Demonstrate how to access the data and documentation
- Highlight FReDA's unique features
- Provide examples of studies that have used FReDA data or topics that can be researched using these data

Workshop Outcomes

- Understand the panel design of FReDA
- Know how to access and use the FReDA data
- Understand the sampling and weighting used in the study
- Identify research topics that could be studied using FReDA data

Target Audience

Attendees can be graduate students, post-doctoral scholars, and academics in the sociology, demography, psychology, or economics field interested studying families and partnerships.