



Latest Updates from the GGP



As summer rolls towards a close and the new academic year kicks off, we wish you a warm welcome back. Take a look at what the GGP has gotten up to over the last few months, and tune for announcements on what is yet to come!

1. [GGP Korea comes to NIDI](#)

The GGP Central Hub welcomed the KWDI for a two-day visit focused on research exchange, future collaboration, and the signing of a new MoU.

2. [GGS Connect Webinar](#)

Register for the upcoming GGP Connect Webinar, and save the dates for additional webinars.

3. [GGP Essentials](#)

Take a look at this month's GGP Essential, which looks at the role of online data in relationships.

4. [Launch of UNFPA's Demographic Futures Survey](#)

Read up on UNFPA's Demographic Futures Survey 2026 report and its insights into how young adults are navigating relationships, parenthood, and an uncertain future.

5. [INFRA4NextGen](#)

Key updates from INFRA4NextGen including two webinars for you to get involved in.

6. [Updates from the GGP Central Hub](#)

Find the latest updates from fieldwork and data processing.

7. [Updates from the Consortium](#)

This month we want to disseminate some reports from our [Swedish](#) and [Czech](#) teams.

8. [Welcoming some New Faces](#)

Read up on the newest additions to the GGP team.

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Mark your calendars for upcoming GGP events.

10. [Latest Publications](#)

Read up on the latest publications utilizing GGP data, get informed and get inspired!

GGP Korean National Team Visits GGP Central Hub



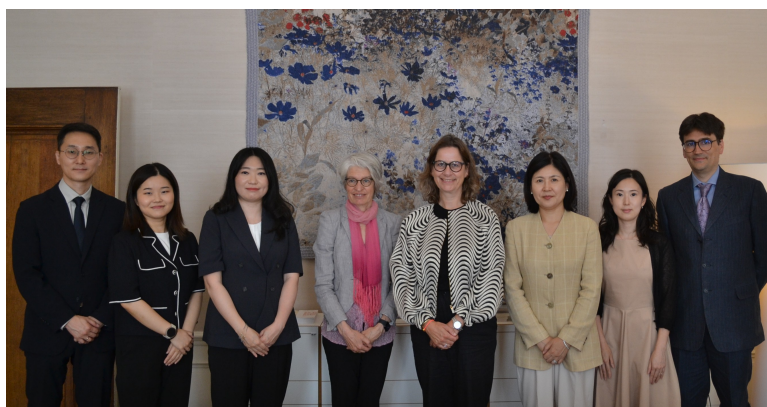
On **6–7 July**, the GGP Central Hub welcomed the GGP Korean National Team, coordinated by the **Korean Women's Development Institute (KWDI)**, for a two-day visit to NIDI.

The visit began with a meeting between **KWDI President Jongsoog Kim**, **GGP Director Anne Gauthier**, and **NIDI Director Helga de Valk** to discuss shared research priorities and opportunities for future collaboration. During the meeting, the partners also signed a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**, reaffirming their commitment to strengthening cooperation within the Generations and Gender Programme.

The second day focused on scientific exchange. The KWDI team presented updates on the design of the Korean Generations and Gender Survey, including findings from the pilot study.

In the afternoon, **Daniël van Wijk (NIDI)** and **Lonneke van den Berg (NIDI)** presented examples of research based on GGS data, highlighting the analytical opportunities offered by the programme.

The visit provided an excellent opportunity to strengthen collaboration, exchange expertise, and discuss future developments. The GGP Central Hub looks forward to continuing its partnership with KWDI and to the new data and research opportunities that will emerge from this collaboration.



GGP Connect Webinar



GGP webinar

The GGP connect webinar series provides a space for national teams to share knowledge, exchange experiences, and explore the use and impact of GGS data.

Coming up we have GGS-II **Poland Wave 1**

 Date: **Wednesday 30th September 2026**

 Time: **13:00- 14:00 (CEST)**

 Location: **Online**

 Register [here](https://tinyurl.com/2ux276bb) or using the link below

Speaker Bio

Monika Mynarska is a psychologist and social demographer, leading Families and Generations Lab at SGH Warsaw School of Economics. She is the National Coordinator of the Generations and Gender Programme in Poland and Chair of the GGP Questionnaire Task Force. Her research focuses on reproductive decision-making and family change.

Seminar Description

The seminar will reflect on the **Polish experience of implementing Wave 1 of GGS-II, completed in 2026**. Drawing on the experience of the GGP-PL team, Monika will discuss some of the challenges we encountered during fieldwork, the strategies used to support survey participation, and what worked — or did not work — in practice.

The presentation will take a practical look at different stages and components of the fieldwork process, including the **mixed-mode CAWI–CAPI design**, **respondent contact** and follow-up strategies, **communication with respondents**, **interviewer involvement**, and **approaches** used to **maintain participation** during an extended fieldwork period. I will also discuss some of the concerns and barriers encountered among interviewers and respondents and how the fieldwork team responded to them.

The seminar is intended as an opportunity to share lessons from the Polish implementation that may also be useful for other GGS country teams.

 **Upcoming webinars** are announced via the [GGP website](#) and the monthly GGP newsletter - subscribe to our [mailing list](#) to get notified

 Mark your calendar for our next webinar!

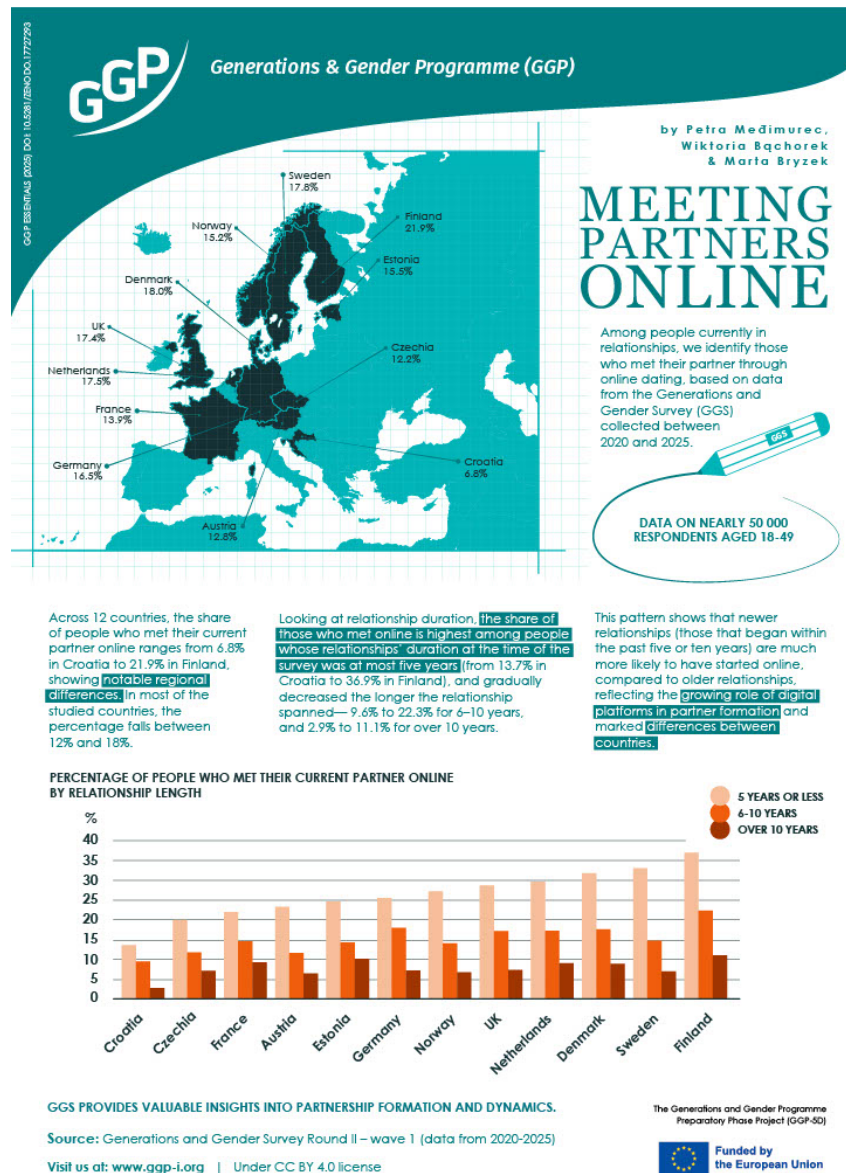
Italy — Wednesday 28 October, 13:00

Netherlands — Wednesday 25 November, 13:00

 You can find the recordings of all our past webinars on our [website](#)

[Click here to register to the Webinar](#)

GGP Essentials



The growing role of Online Dating 📱💕

Data suggests we could be entering an age of **digital romance**, but the influence is not consistent across countries. 🌐

📊 Using **GGG data** on nearly **50,000** respondents aged **18-49**, **Petra Medimurec**, **Wiktoria Bąchorek**, and **Marta Bryze** found that across 12 countries, the share of people who met their current partner online ranges from 6.8% in Croatia to 21.9% in Finland.

The pattern is clearest by relationship duration: for relationships **five years old or less**, that share jumps as high as **36.9%** in **Finland**. For relationships over a decade, and it drops to single digits almost everywhere.

Interested in understanding more about the role of online dating for relationships?

👤 Explore the data for yourself on our [data portal](#)

Click the [link](#) to download this month's GGP Essential

Launch of UNFPA's Demographic Futures Survey 2026 Report

Lives, Choices and Futures

What young people want and
what shapes their decisions about
relationships and parenthood

Findings from the Demographic
Futures Survey in Eastern
Europe and Central Asia



This July, GGP Director **Anne Gauthier** joined the **launch of UNFPA's Demographic Futures Survey 2026 report**, which takes a closer look at how young adults across Eastern Europe and Central Asia are navigating relationships, parenthood and an increasingly uncertain future. The report seeks to move the conversation away from "panic, population targets and assumptions about young people's choices", focusing instead on the social, economic and institutional conditions that shape whether people are able to build the families and lives they want.

Alongside newly developed questions, the survey builds on established measures from the **European Social Survey** and the **Generations and Gender Survey**, such as questions on partnership formation, fertility intentions, family life, and global uncertainty and institutional trust. The regional analysis also draws directly on **GGG findings**, including research on the gap between ideal and actual family size and the role of housing in fertility decisions. It is a compelling example of how GGS data, measures and insights feed into a wider network of research on demographic change.

[Check out the Report Here](#)

INFRA4NextGen



Infra4NextGen has two upcoming webinars for you to get involved in this month!

CRONOS-3 panel survey: from concept to results

 Date: **22 September 2026**
 Time: **14:00-15:30 CEST**
 Location: **Online** (Zoom)
 Register [here](#)

This webinar will present the development of the CRONOS-3 self-completion panel survey, implemented in 11 countries as part of the Infra4NextGen project.

More details and registration [link](#)

Evaluation of test equating and linking methods for data harmonisation

 Date: **29 September 2026**
 Time: **11:00-12:30 CEST**
 Location: **Online** (Zoom)
 Register [here](#)

This specialised technical session is to support the interactive Infra4NextGen training course: [Creating and working with ex-post harmonised survey data](#).

More details and registration [link](#)

[Check out the INFRA4NextGen Website](#)

Updates from the GGP Central Hub



Fieldwork

Wave 1 (Baseline): **Switzerland** have now finished Data Collection with around **9,000** cases (before data processing). **South Korea** have progressed with their data collection. At the start of August, around **4,000** respondents have completed the survey. This represents a completion rate of approximately **33.4%** of our total target. Furthermore, we have an update from **Lithuania** who will start fielding in **September**.

Wave 2 (Follow-up): The Netherlands have finished data collection with around **4,000** cases (before data processing). Data collection is progressing in **Croatia**, surpassing **5,000** cases (before data processing), after starting their fieldwork in **May** earlier this year. Preparations are also underway in four additional countries that are expected to launch in the coming months. While **Hong Kong** and **Argentina (Buenos Aires)** is scheduled to go into the field in **October**, while **France** and **Austria** are expected to follow next year.

Data Processing

Iceland Wave 1 Data is now out: The dataset includes around **4,000 respondents (43% males, 57% females)**. All interviews conducted via **self-completion**. The data are now available for download from the [GGP Data Portal](#).

[Check Out The GGP Data Portal](#)

Updates from the Consortium

[Generations and Gender Programme Sweden](#)

Committee for a Future with Children



NO 2: FROM RELATIVELY HIGH TO DECLINING FERTILITY RATES:
WHAT HAPPENED IN SWEDEN?
GUNNAR ANDERSSON

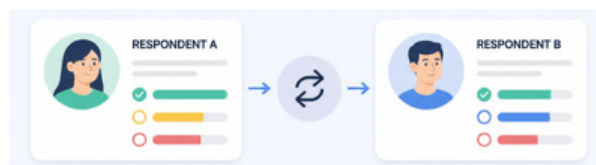
A new **report** for the **Swedish Ministry of Social Affairs** by **Gunnar Andersson (SUDA)** examines Sweden's shift from relatively high to steadily declining fertility since around 2010. The report finds that the decline is driven mainly by fewer people becoming parents in the first place, rather than by parents having fewer subsequent children.

Data from **GGG Sweden** show a clear weakening of childbearing intentions, while new **Nordic GGS modules** help researchers explore how concerns about an uncertain future may shape decisions about parenthood.

Click below to read more.

[Click here to read the Report](#)

Generations and Gender Programme Czechia



A new GGP technical paper by **Daniel Horn (MUNI)** uses **Czech GGS-II Wave 1** and **Wave 2** data to examine **irregular respondent patterns**, and more specifically, cases **respondent switching**: cases where a follow-up questionnaire may be completed by someone other than the original panel respondent. The study shows that switching is **rare** but **methodologically important**, and explores how **cross-wave matching**, **respondent verification** and **fieldwork procedures** can help identify and reduce these cases, strengthening the reliability of longitudinal GGS data.

Click the link below to read this paper.

[Click here to read the Paper](#)

New Faces at the GGP



Jos Slabbekoorn

PostDoc Researcher
on the Graphia Project



Daniel Dvořák

Visiting Researcher,
PhD Candidate

Jos Slabbekoorn joins the Generations and Gender Programme (GGP) at NIDI as a **postdoctoral researcher** on the **GRAPHIA project**. There he co-develops a **knowledge graph** for the **GGP survey metadata**, linking topics, variables, waves, countries and publications so that survey data becomes easier to **find, connect** and **reuse**. He holds a PhD in sociology from Utrecht University, completed within the ICS graduate school, with a dissertation on **intersectional disparities in benefit receipt**, and he joins us from Radboud University Nijmegen. Alongside his research, Jos serves on the editorial board of **Mens & Maatschappij**. His broader research interests encompass welfare state inequality, intersectionality, and labour market stratification.

Daniel Dvořák is a **visiting researcher** at NIDI from August to December 2026. He is a **PhD candidate in Sociology** at Masaryk University in the Czech Republic, supervised by **Prof. Martin Kreidl**. His PhD research focuses on **paradata and their use** in social science surveys. During his stay, he works with paradata from the Generations and Gender Programme. In particular, he studies whether response times, answer changes, and other information collected during questionnaire completion can tell us more about **respondents' uncertainty** when answering questions about their future plans. His main application is **uncertainty in fertility intentions**. His other research interests include survey methodology, online surveys, data quality, and quantitative methods.

Upcoming Events



- [INFRA4NextGen Webinar](#) | Online | 22 September
- [INFRA4NextGen Training](#) | Online | 29 September
- [GGP Connect Webinar](#) | Online | 30 September
- [ODISSEI Conference](#) | Jaarbeurs Utrecht | 24 November

Latest Publications

Andersson, G. (2026). From Relatively High to Declining Fertility Rates: What Happened in Sweden? Stockholm Research Reports in Demography. [DOI](#)

Arnolfo, S., Hiekel, N., & Liefbroer, A. C. (2026). Life-Course Inequalities: The Gendered Social Gradient in Multipartnered Fertility in Nordic Countries. Journal of Marriage and Family, n/a(n/a). [DOI](#)

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Nenova, G., Dimitrova, V., Georgieva, R., & Vasileva, I. (2026). Intimacy and family: Results from qualitative research among Bulgarian urban heterosexual youth. *Culture, Health & Sexuality*, 0(0), 1–12. [DOI](#)



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