



Generations & Gender Programme

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International Population Conference 2025



The GGP featured prominently at this year's **International Population Conference (IPC 2025) in Brisbane**, where researchers from around the world presented innovative work on pressing global and regional population issues.

The Generations and Gender Survey (GGS) presentations opened with “*How We Met: The Demography of Online and Offline Partnerships*” by Bernice Kuang, Brienna Perelli-Harris, and Ann M. Berrington, setting the stage for a varied series of GGS contributions. **Fertility research was a recurring theme**, including work by Ester Lazzari and Eva Beaujouan on the **gap between ideal and actual family size**, Zsolt Spéder and Lajos Bálint on the **realisation of short-term fertility intentions**, and Norwegian colleagues Axel Kristensen, Trude Lappegård, and Lars Dommermuth on **economic uncertainty and fertility intentions**.

Further insights included Alina Pavelea and Anna Matysiak's study of **gender role attitudes and union formation**, and two sessions chaired by GGP Director Prof. Anne Gauthier—one on **population policies**, the other on **methodological innovations in large-scale surveys**. The week concluded with **an inspiring GGP panel** bringing together national coordinators from across the globe to discuss **emerging demographic challenges, the GGS's policy and research impact and opportunities for expansion into new regions**.

From online dating and family dynamics to fertility, policy, and survey methods, GGS data once again proved central to advancing demographic research.

European Survey Research Association Conference 2025



The GGP is proud to have been represented at the **European Survey Research Association (ESRA) Conference**, held in July 2025 in Utrecht, the Netherlands. ESRA brought together **researchers, practitioners, and methodologists from across Europe and beyond**, and the GGP team participated actively throughout the week.

Here are some of the highlights from the GGP Cental Hub's presentations. Ilaria Francesca Lundardelli explored the impact of **mixed-mode effects in the GGS-II**, while Julia Rokos examined **educational bias in the GGS-II**. Aisling Connolly shared insights on **enhancing cross-national comparability in GGS-II**, and Thibaud Ritzenthaler discussed a **new workflow for streamlining metadata documentation**.

Olga Grünwald also organised a session on the **organisational structure of the of survey infrastructures across Europe**, where colleagues shared their innovations and challenges.



Beyond the sessions, **our booth provided a space for inspiring conversations and networking with colleagues** from across the survey research community. The team also had the chance to reconnect with **Andrej Kveder, former GGP Manager**, an excellent opportunity to exchange experiences and reflect on the programme's development.

The GGP team is grateful to everyone who joined our presentations or stopped by our booth. We cherished the chance to catch up with colleagues and build new connections while sharing the latest innovations from the GGP.

Introducing New Team Members!

The GGP Central Hub is delighted to welcome two new colleagues to our fieldwork team **Alex Kortink Boada and Konstantin Schmandt**. We are excited about the expertise and enthusiasm they bring to their roles!



Alex, from Barcelona, Spain, studied **Public Administration at the University of Twente** and completed a **Research Master in Migration, Ethnic Relations, and Multiculturalism at Utrecht University**. His master's thesis explored emotional drivers of support for the populist radical right. His research interests include **intergroup relations and the shaping of political and policy preferences**.

He is now a **Fieldwork and Data Officer in the GGP** and gaining experience in demography, large-scale fieldwork, and research infrastructure management.



Konstantin, originally from Germany, studied **Psychology at the University of Groningen** and completed a Research Master in **Behavioral and Social Sciences at Groningen**, exploring topics such as affective polarization and economic inequality. His master's thesis involved a **randomized survey experiment on discourse behavior and self-censorship in political discussions in the U.S.**

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Updates from the GGP Central Hub



Reminder to submit your thesis for the GGP Best Master's Thesis Award at the GGP User Conference 2025 in Tallinn, Estonia!
Deadline is the 10th of September.

[Find out more here](#)

Fieldwork Wave 1 (Baseline): Italian data collection is steadily progressing.

GGs-II Poland

will soon be entering the field in September. Fieldwork preparations are also underway in Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, South Korea and Switzerland. **Wave 2**

(Follow-up): Czechia is in the field with over 3,800 interviews completed in CAWI. The fieldwork will be completed in September.

Data Processing

Wave 1 (Baseline): Data from GGS-II Taiwan is currently being processed, and is set for release in the coming weeks.

Wave 2 (Follow-up): Data from GGS-II Moldova is being finalised, with a launch event set for September. Estonia is also being processed and is set for release in September.

Upcoming Events



- [BSPS Conference](#) | Swansea, United Kingdom | 2-4 September
- [Exploring secondary and archival data in social science research](#) | Webinar | 19 September
- [SILS Conference](#) | Fribourg, Switzerland | 8-10 September
- [Exploring social trust: Analysing cross-country and generational trends](#) | Workshop | 2-3 October
- [FReDA User Conference](#) | Mannheim, Germany | 9-10 October
- [GGP User Conference](#) | Tallinn, Estonia | 15-17 October

Latest Publications

Heiskala, L., Tuominen, M., Erola, J., & Kilpi-Jakonen, E. (2025). Economic Circumstances of Children Living in Higher and Lower-Educated Families and the Contribution of Household Structure: A Cross-Country Comparison with a Child's Perspective. *Studies of Transition States and Societies*, 17. [DOI](#)

Mondal, N. A., Fihel, A., & Kloc-Nowak, W. (2025). The distortion of fertility due to migration: A comparative analysis of migrants in the Netherlands and stayers in Poland. *Demographic Research*, 53, 325-342. [DOI](#)



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