

Procurement ESS Round 10 fieldwork in Austria – Q & A

Q: Can you please clarify what “day-to-day methodology” means?

A: In this context this term refers to the strategy, mechanisms and tools involved for providing updates on the progress of fieldwork, e.g. which data you provide in what form in the mandatory weekly fieldwork reports

Q: Can you please provide the minimum amount of coverage for the indemnity insurance?

A: The minimum amount of coverage for the indemnity insurance amounts to €3m Euros.

Q: Recruiting volunteers for extra 20 questions: we assume 10 minutes more? What is the objective and the content of these 20 supplementary questions?

A: Austria takes part in a H2020-Project which investigates the feasibility of a web panel based on a random probability sample. These questions will be used to convince respondents just finished the regular ESS interview to take part in this follow-up study.

Q: How many percent of the questionnaire needs to be answered to count for a valid interview?

A: All questions up to and including G22 need to be answered in order to count as a valid interview. You can have a look at previous questionnaires at www.europeansocialsurvey.org

Q: Regarding the sentence “It might be the case that the mode of the interviews will be changed when F2F-interviews are not feasible or possible due to COVID19 restrictions”: should we suggest a method for this situation or do you expect a certain method?

A: No, do not suggest any mode. The only alternative to F2F is video interviewing.

Q: Timing: the timing mentioned in the survey specification is a little different from the timing in the invitation to tender. We assume the fieldstart for March 2021 and max. 5 months fieldwork right?

A: The survey specifications provide a framework. Austria is planning to start fieldwork in February/March 2021.