

GESIS Panel Regular Submission Form Stage II

Please make sure to use the most recent version of this document, which can be found [here](#).

This is the second stage of our submission process. We ask you to complete this form within six months after the positive review at stage one. The documents for stage two are submitted anonymously to external reviewers for a double-blind peer review process. Please avoid references and citations that refer to your person.

Proposal description

Title of the research proposal	
Date of the current version	
Project ID (provided by GESIS Panel)	

Keywords (between 3 and 10)

Abstract (max. 500 words)

Please include the following points in your abstract:

- Overall objective and research question(s)
- Relevance and added value
- Hypotheses/expected results
- Methods and analyses

Please continue writing on the next page.

Overall problem statement and (theoretical) background (max. 1000 words)

- State overall problem addressed for a layperson audience.
- Sketch background; refer to relevant theories (whenever possible).
- Sketch past/previous research on the topic.
- Stress relevance for (a subfield within) the social/behavioral/political sciences.

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Objectives and research question(s) (max. 300 words)

- State research question(s) addressed for a scientific audience.
- Summarize objectives of your research proposal (itemized list preferred).
- Explain why a probabilistic panel is needed.
- Explain why a longitudinal design/multiple waves are necessary (if applicable).

Hypotheses/expected results (max. 200 words)

- Express all hypotheses to be tested.
- Explain what results you expect.

Research design

Please tick the applicable option:

Cross-sectional survey with one single wave

Replication of previously fielded items/studies in the GESIS Panel

Cross-sectional survey with multiple waves. Please specify the number of waves needed:

Panel survey. Please specify the number of waves needed:

For a replication study, please name the item(s) and explain why you deem a replication meaningful and what results you expect. For a cross-sectional survey with multiple waves or a panel survey, please elaborate the rationale behind your longitudinal study design (max. 150 words).

Important: The length of survey time must not exceed 5 minutes per wave. Please indicate the length of each wave: minutes.

Experimental design

Please tick applicable box:

No experimental design

Experimental design with _____ groups. Important: Experiments with a maximum of four experimental conditions are allowed. Please specify (or visualize in an attached document) your experimental design.

Instruments

The GESIS Panel only allows vertical scales due to the mobile first design of the questionnaire. More information on the question types can be found in the [GESIS Panel Survey Style Guide](#).

Please provide your questionnaire using our [Excel template](#). We also ask you to program your questionnaire in Unipark. [Here](#) you find our template and more information on how to receive a Unipark licence. In stage two, the questionnaire must be submitted in German and English.

Please note: The GESIS Panel cumulative data set includes many variables on various topics. Please check whether needed variables are already part of the GESIS Panel dataset. The [GESIS Panel codebook](#) and the [GESIS Panel study description](#) offer a comprehensive overview and description of all variables.

Pretest techniques

In the case of newly developed instruments, we highly recommend to apply the [Question Appraisal System](#).

Was the instrument evaluated systematically using a pretest technique?

Yes. If available, please also report psychometric properties (e.g., reliability, validity), state pretest technique and describe which items were tested:

No.

No, but pretests are planned. Please specify where/how:

More information about survey evaluation methods can be found here: Groves, R. M. (Ed.). (2009). *Survey methodology* (2nd ed). Hoboken, N.J.: Wiley; Presser, S. (Ed.). (2004). *Methods for testing and evaluating survey questionnaires*. Hoboken, N.J.: Wiley. Question appraisal System in Willis, G. B. (1999). [Question Appraisal System QAS-99](#). North Carolina: Research Triangle Institute or German Version in Schnell, R. (2019). *Survey-Interviews*. Wiesbaden: Springer VS.

Planned analyses (max. 300 words)

Please outline all planned analyses here. Refer to your hypotheses whenever possible.

Dissemination strategy (max. 200 words)

- Please sketch your strategy to disseminate your findings.
- Specify the expected number of publications and corresponding publication outlets envisaged.

We would like to point out that scientific publications with the GESIS Panel data are extremely important for the further existence of the GESIS Panel as a survey infrastructure for the scientific community. In order to guarantee the services of the GESIS Panel we urge our primary researchers to publish their results of their submitted studies. Please send your paper after publication to: info@gesis-panel.org.

References

- List all references cited above here.
- Use APA style guide: <http://www.apastyle.org/manual/index.aspx>

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