

Fast-Track Submission Form

The GESIS Panel offers researchers the possibility of submitting a short questionnaire on a current topic.

The submitted questionnaire may include either

- up to three short single choice questions,
- one multiple choice question with a maximum of seven items, or
- one open-ended question

More information on the question types can be found in the [GESIS Panel Survey Style Guide](#). In contrast to full proposals, the questionnaire does not have to be submitted as a Unipark questionnaire, nor does it undergo an external review process.

Eligibility criteria

Eligible studies have to address a current topic, such as important forthcoming events (e.g., elections), contemporary changes in society (e.g., migration), or issues of public discussion (e.g., minimum wages). The questions must also focus on the current topic. Please make sure to clearly justify the urgency of your data collection. For example, you could list current news from the media. Questions should not be highly sensitive and should exclude untrue or offensive statements. Proposals are eligible if they are suitable for inclusion in the GESIS Panel, i.e., if they meet the space-related criteria specified below. Experiments are not possible in fast-track submissions.

Submission Procedure

To submit your questions on a current topic, please fill in this form and fill in and sign the [GESIS Panel General Terms and Conditions](#) and send them to current-topic@gesis-panel.org.

Decision-Making Procedure

Among all eligible proposals submitted before the deadline, the GESIS Panel Team randomly selects one questionnaire for the upcoming wave.

Data Access

Approximately four months after the end of the field period, the data will be made available via the GESIS Data Archive within the framework of the release of the data of the respective wave. Access will be subject to the conclusion of a data use agreement (see [1](http://www.gesis-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

panel.org). Please note that the release of data generated by open questions may take longer because they have to be checked for sensitive information. Your name and a short abstract will be published along with the data as part of our study descriptions.

Submission Information

Name		Email	
Affiliation		Date	
Topic			

Specify below the wave that you wish to apply for. Please note that the completed form must be submitted by or before the deadline specified.

- wave ha (February 2020), deadline: December 09, 2019
- wave hb (April 2020), deadline: February 17, 2020
- wave hc (June 2020), deadline: April 13, 2020
- wave hd (August 2020), deadline: June 15, 2020
- wave he (October 2020), deadline: August 17, 2020
- wave hf (December 2020), deadline: October 12, 2020

Short statement as to why the questionnaire should be considered topical:

Submitted Questionnaire

You may propose only **one** of the three variants below. For more information, please refer to the GESIS Panel Survey Style Guide for current topic proposals, where you will find examples of the respective question types.

The questionnaire must be in German.

If you are replicating question(s) from another study, please provide the reference to the original questionnaire/study.

Variant 1: Up to three closed single-choice questions

General introduction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	
Single-Choice Question 1	
Item source (if applicable)	
Introduction and question (maximum length: 350 characters with spaces)	
Instruction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	
Scale / Category	
Code	Value Label

Single-Choice Question 2

Item source (if applicable)	
Introduction and question (maximum length: 350 characters with spaces)	
Instruction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	

Scale / Category

Code	Value Label

Single-Choice Question 3

Item source (if applicable)	
Introduction and question (maximum length: 350 characters with spaces)	
Instruction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	
Scale / Category	
Code	Value Label

Variant 2: Multiple choice question

General introduction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	
Item source (if applicable)	
Introduction and question (maximum length: 350 characters with spaces)	
Instruction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	

Item Number	Item

Variant 3: Open question

The maximum answer space is two lines!

Item source (if applicable)	
Introduction and question (maximum length: 350 characters with spaces)	
Instruction (maximum length: 200 characters with spaces)	

GESIS Panel General Terms and Conditions

The following General Terms and Conditions apply:

Non-commercial usage

- The GESIS Panel does not accept any commercial data collection projects.
- Data collected within the GESIS Panel may be used for (non-commercial) scientific purposes only. Any partially or fully commercial usage is prohibited.

Data protection

- GESIS - Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences and all commissioned service providers work according to the regulations of the EU General Data Protection Regulation, further, all statutory data protection provisions of the Federal Republic of Germany apply.
- Any attempt to de-anonymize data – that is, to try to identify individual respondents – is a criminal offense.

Royalty-free, non-exclusive material

- All measurement instruments used within the GESIS Panel will be accessible to the academic social science community. Therefore, primary researchers must ensure that the data collection instruments they submit to the GESIS Panel do not violate any rights of third parties and that they may be made publicly accessible.
- Data collected within the GESIS Panel and supplementary materials will be made available exclusively through the GESIS Data Archive in accordance with its terms of use. Further details can be found here: <https://www.gesis.org/gesis-panel/data/>

Authority to accept or reject proposals

- All proposals will undergo a peer-review process.
- The GESIS Panel Team reserves the exclusive right to accept or reject proposals.

Charges

- The fielding of accepted studies is free of charge.
- For funded research projects only: The costs of incentives for participants must be borne by those submitting the study proposal. The incentive for participating in one survey wave is 1,25€ per invited panelist.
- For survey instruments submitted in English within the framework of a regular proposal: Survey instruments may be submitted in either German or English. However, because GESIS Panel surveys are fielded in German only, English-language instruments must be translated into German after positive peer review of the proposal. Translation costs must be borne by those submitting the study proposal.

Publication(s) and citation requirements:

- 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.
- Any publication based on data collected within the GESIS Panel must include the following statement: This paper uses data from the GESIS Panel. The GESIS Panel is part of GESIS – Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, and is funded jointly by the Federal Government and the Länder.
- Analyses are based on data of the GESIS Panel - Standard Edition, ZA5665 Data file Version 29.0.0, doi:10.4232/1.13245. A detailed description of the study can be found in Bosnjak et al., 2017.
- Data must be cited according to the scheme of the GESIS Data Archive (Examples can be found here):
 - GESIS (2018): GESIS Panel - Standard Edition. GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA5665 Data file Version 29.0.0, doi:10.4232/1.13245
 - GESIS (2018): GESIS Panel - Extended Edition. GESIS Data Archive, Cologne. ZA5664 Data file Version 29.0.0, doi:10.4232/1.13244

I, the undersigned, understand and agree to the General Terms and Conditions above.

Name:	
Institution:	
Email address:	
Title of the research proposal:	

Date and place,

Personal signature of the principal investigator