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WP3 Task3 Fieldwork Monitoring Plans and Goals

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Outline

- Description of WP3 Task 3
- Components of a fieldwork monitoring system:
 - 1) **Tool** (data collection, sample management)
 - 2) **Data** (paradata, indicators)
 - 3) **Monitoring** (reports, intervention strategies etc)







Description WP3.3

Objectives:

"To build up and computerize a fieldwork monitoring system for cross-national surveys which can centrally manage their distributed fieldwork, helping to optimize response rates and data quality" (DOW-283646).

Tasks and Deliverables:

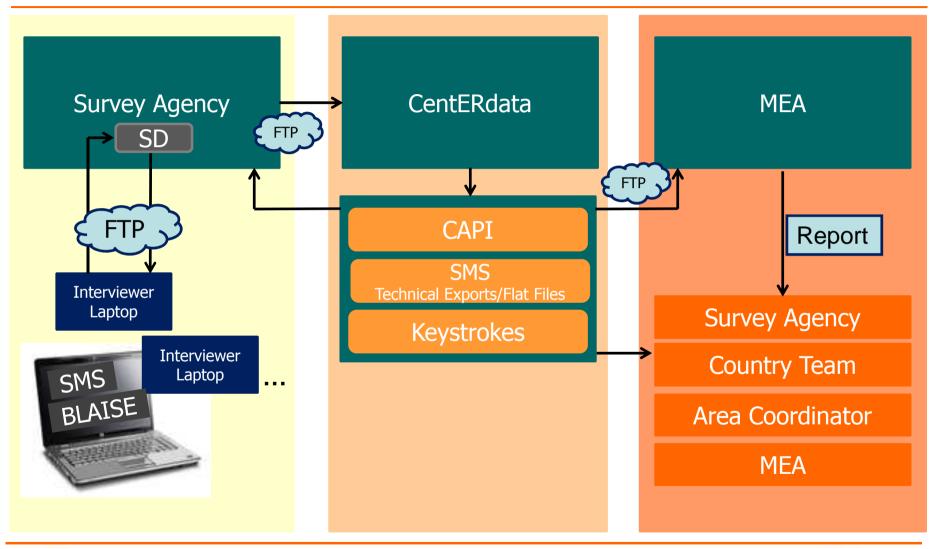
- 1. D3.6: Design of a standardized SMS (June 2013)
- 2. Preparing paradata set (June 2013) D3.7: Report on keystroke analysis (Dec 2014)
- 3. D3.8: Fieldwork monitoring application (Dec 2014)







Dataflow for Monitoring in SHARE









Tool: Standardized SMS

- Goal: Having a transportable, standardized Sample Management System (SMS)
- Starting Point: SHARE's SMS (programmed by CentERdata)
- Steps:
 - 1. Adapting SHARE's SMS for the ESS and other surveys
 - Requirement Needs Survey: Input from survey agencies/country teams
 - Requirements from a coordination point of view
 - 2. Input from other decentralized, cross-national surveys
 - Demo: "How an SMS app might look like"







SHARE's SMS

Tasks:

- Manage fieldwork and sample
- Document contact attempts
- Assign eligibility
- Conduct coverscreen
- Start CAPI-interviews

SHARE Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe 50+ in Europe Username Password OK Cancel

User:

- Interviewer, installed on laptop
- Need training (at TTT and NTS)

Benefits:

- Data on fieldwork is available during fieldwork
- Fieldwork procedure is comparable across all SHARE-countries







Requirement Needs Survey

Topics:

- Agency procedures: field force, current system of sample management, training
- ▶ Technical requirements: availability of equipment (laptop/tablets/smartphones), technical expertise
- Monitoring: quality checks, procedures
- Perspective of the country teams
- Coordination point of view:
 - Standardization vs. decentralized autonomy
 - Data collection mode: electronically







SMS on a tablet advice

- Draft Demo: SMS app programmed by CentERdata
 - http://cdata3.uvt.nl/crs

 One ESS-country already uses an app for contact protocols (Spain)



For discussion later:

What are your experiences on sample management tools in decentralized surveys?









Data: Paradata set

	Type of paradata	Concepts/Variables	Release
SHARE	Keystrokes & time stamps	Length of interview/module/item Times of changing an answer	No
	Call records (from SMS)	For each contact attempts/Contact -mode, date, time -result Reason for refusal	No
	Neighborhood information (interviewer observation)	building type, size of city, stairs to entrance Presence of children, evidence for disability, intercom	Most

Source: Stoop et al. 2010







Data: Paradata set

	Type of paradata	Concepts/Variables	Release
ESS	Time stamps	Length of interview	Partial
	Call records (contact protocols)	For each contact attempts/Contact -mode, date, time -result Reason for refusal, age and gender for each refusing person	Yes
	Neighborhood information (interviewer observation)	NUTS, vandalism, littering, building type, physical state of building)	Yes







Monitoring: Components

SHARE:

- Biweekly monitoring reports based on paradata (send to survey agencies, country teams, area coordinators)
- Final compliance profiles
- Quality checks (by core team, country teams and survey agencies)

ESS:

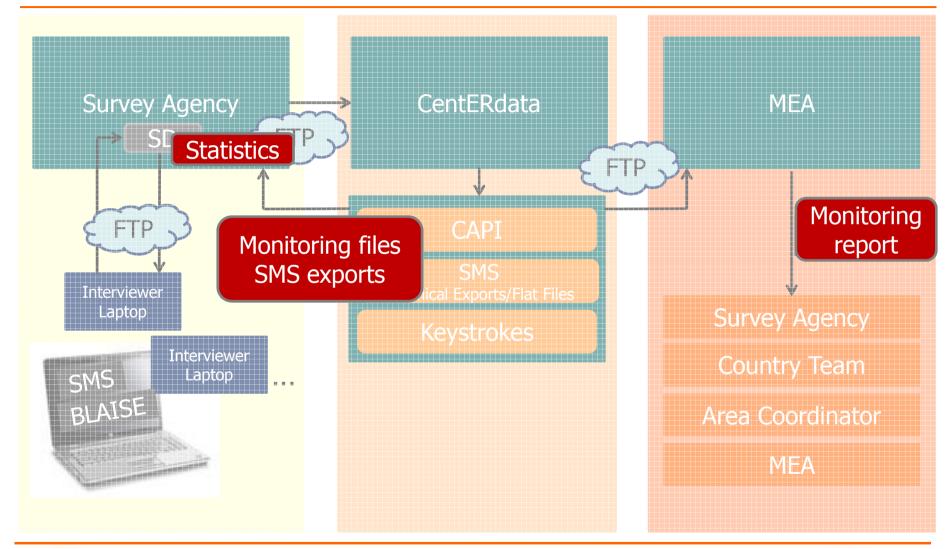
- Country teams monitor and report to assigned core team member on a (bi-)weekly basis, they report to Sally
- Projection of fieldwork based on completed interviews
- Internal quality checks by core team







Monitoring Output in SHARE







What MEA reports

- ▶ MEA gives a report on fieldwork progress every other week
- Separate figures for panel & refreshment sample
- Separate figures for HH & individual level
- Total numbers & ratios:
 - Contact attempts
 - Contacts
 - Cooperation
 - Refusals
 - Response/Retention







System output

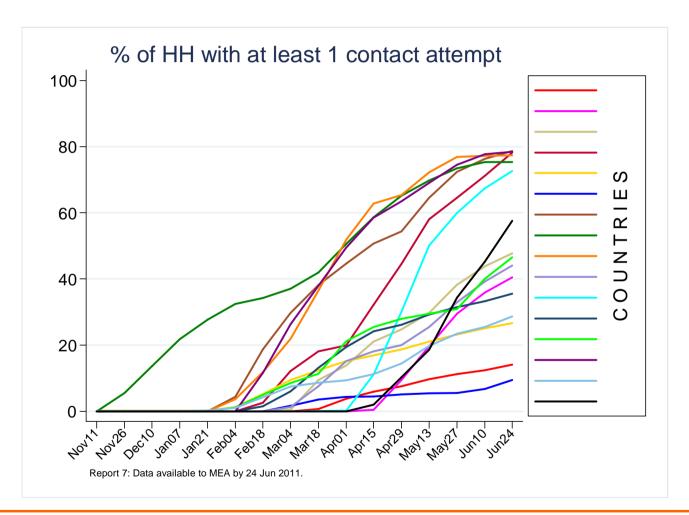
- "Statistics" tab and export (in SD at survey agency)
 - ▶ Gives (final) *household state* of assigned hh / interviewer
 - Gives latest individual event codes of detected respondents in assigned hh / interviewer
- Monitoring files provided by Centerdata
 - Additional info on interviewer performance
- SMS exports (excel sheets)
 - Contains all information loaded into / updated by / generated by SMS / SD
 - Basis for monitoring reports by MEA







Example 1 (Source: SMS)

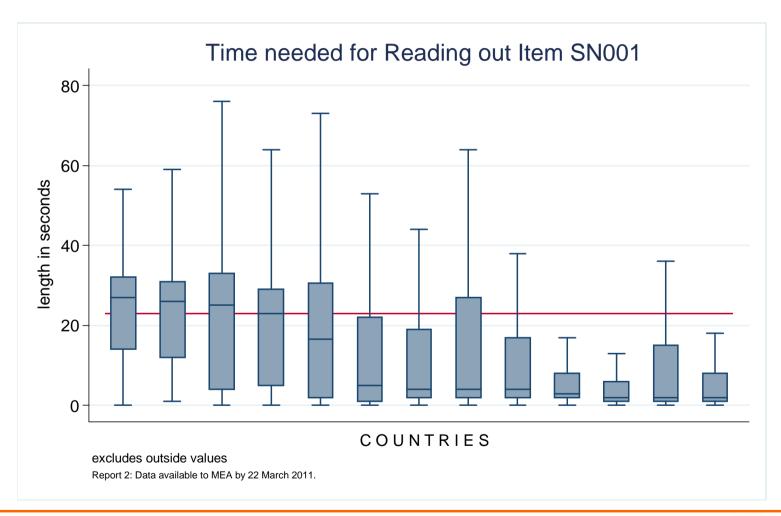








Example 2 (Source: keystrokes)



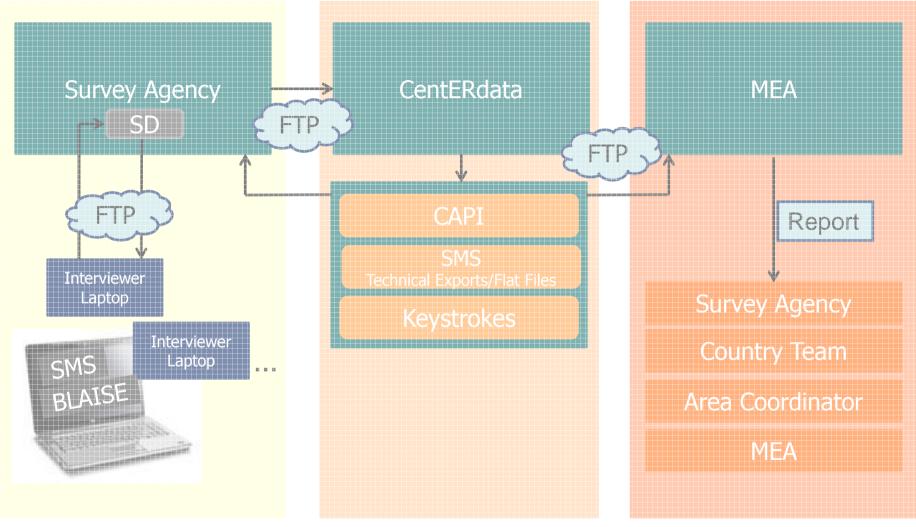






Questions and Comments











References

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APPENDIX







SHARE's Data Output and how it is used for Fieldwork Monitoring







Monitoring SHARE

	Data Sources			
 MEA: Biweekly reports Final report on fieldwork Interested in country level 	 SMS Files Monitoring Files (from CentERdata) Keystrokes 			
Country Team:				
 Quality checks (surveillance of SA) 				
 Survey Agencies (SA): Quality checks on interviewers (mostly personal contact by phone and email) Interested in interviewer level 	 Monitoring Files (from CentERdata) SMS Files (some) Keystrokes (some) 			







MEA

- Monitor fieldwork
- Produce response/ retention rates
- Release data
- Consolidated gross sample
- Preload

CentERdata

- Build software
- Set up SD with gross samples
- Technical support
- Process uploaded data
- Data extraction
- Translation process

Gross sample (drawn/preloaded)



Sample Distributor



SMS client/ CAPI on laptop



SMS/CAPI output

- SMS data
 - Coverscreen
 - Fieldwork
- Keystroke data
- CAPI data

Country teams

- Monitor fieldwork
- Payment of agency

Agency

- Manage interviewers
- Monitoring fieldwork
- billing

Interviewer

- Manage contacts
- Conduct interviews







SMS data

Household level file

- Panel/refresher HH
- Screening Information
- Coverscreen
- Area Information

Respondent level file

- Demographics
- Eligibility
- Info on CAPI-interview
- Info from Coverscreen



- Contact Information
- Participation in previous
- Event Codes (Intw. Com Refusal, etc.)
- Interviewer Identification

Calculations for Monitoring:

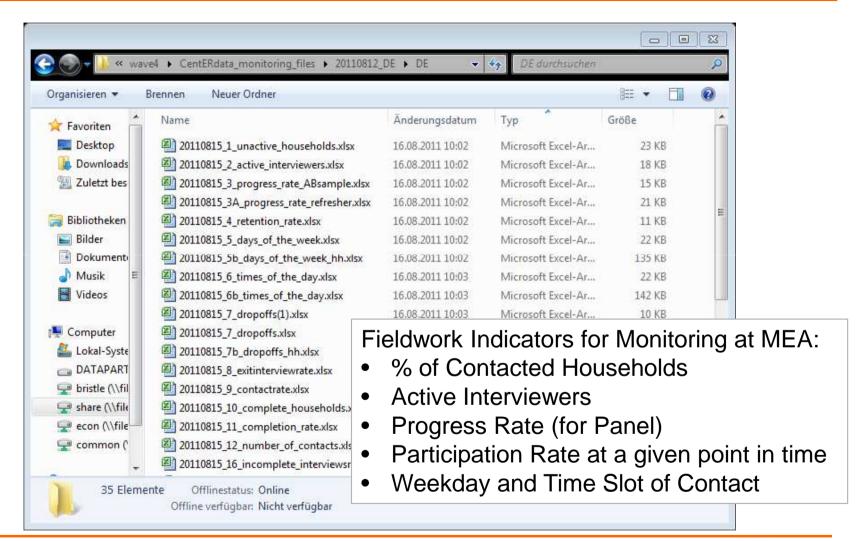
- Completed Interviews
- Refusal Analysis
- All Monitoring Files from CentERdata







Monitoring Files (from CentERdata)

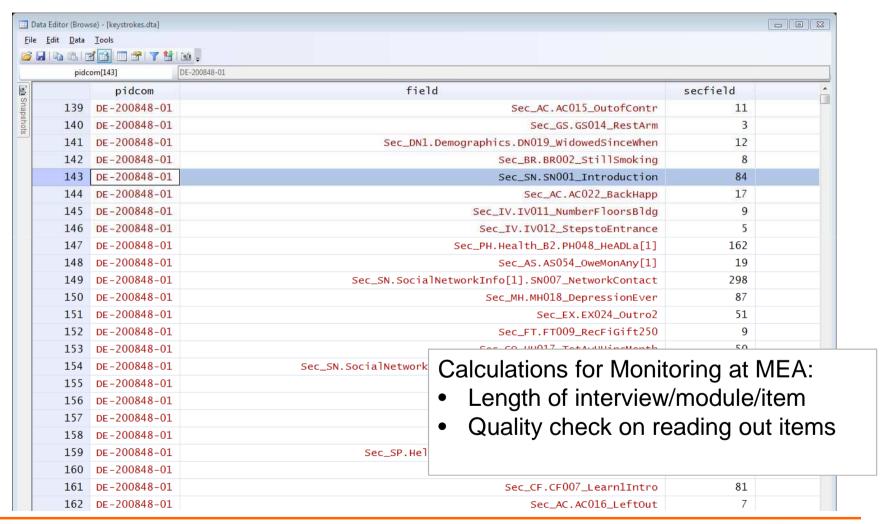








Keystroke data









Example monitoring mea with sms files

Refusals

