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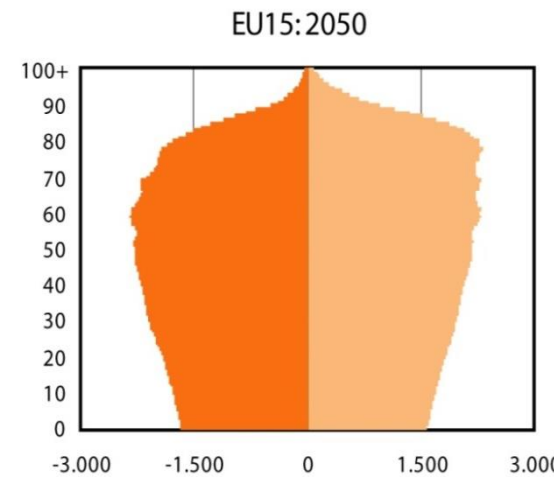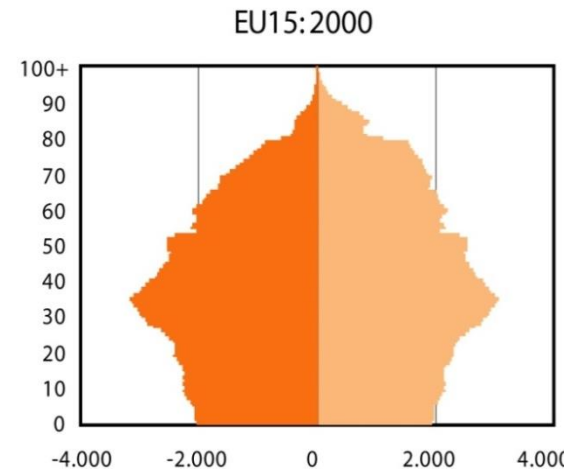
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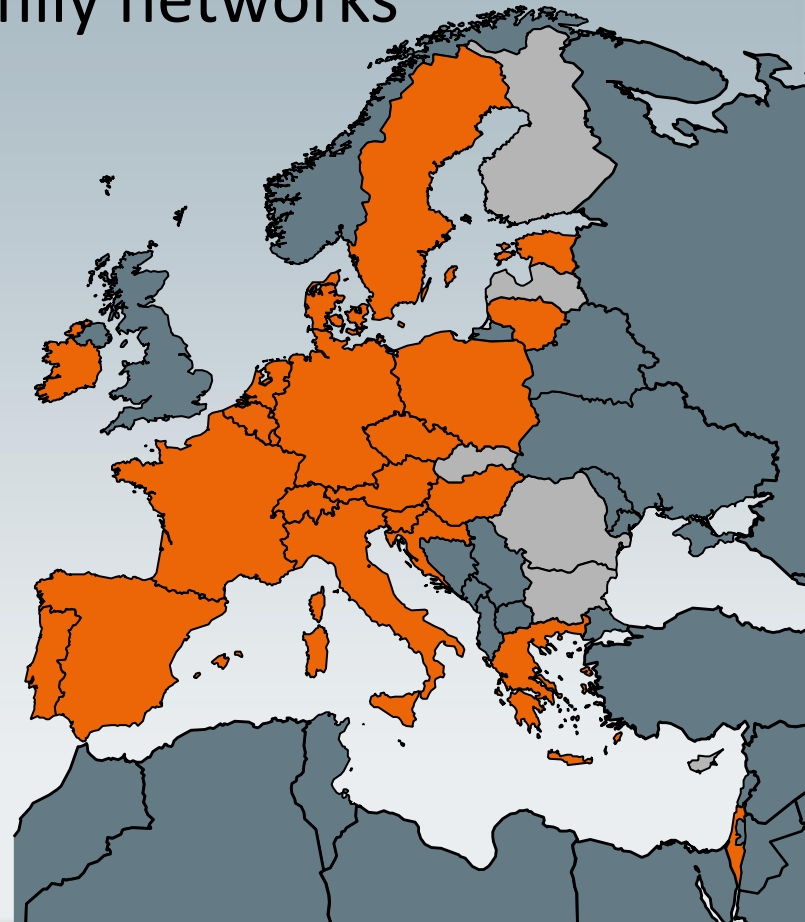HORIZON 2020

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▶ Population ageing is one of *the* **challenges of the 21st century** affecting:

  ▶ Pensions, health and long-term care

  ▶ Economic growth and living standards

  ▶ Social (esp. intergenerational) cohesion

▶ **SHARE**

  ▶ followed a call of the EC & explores the European 'natural laboratory' across scientific disciplines and over time by interviewing 123.000 Europeans 50+ from 20 countries + Israel

  ▶ to turn the challenges of population ageing into opportunities and provide policy makers with reliable information for evidence based policies
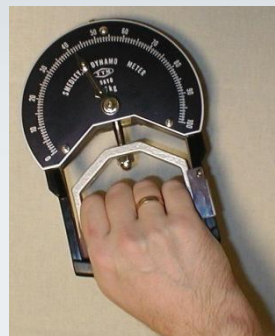
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- **Multidisciplinary**: micro data on health, socio-economic status, social and family networks

- **Longitudinal**: bi-annual (wave 1 in 2004)

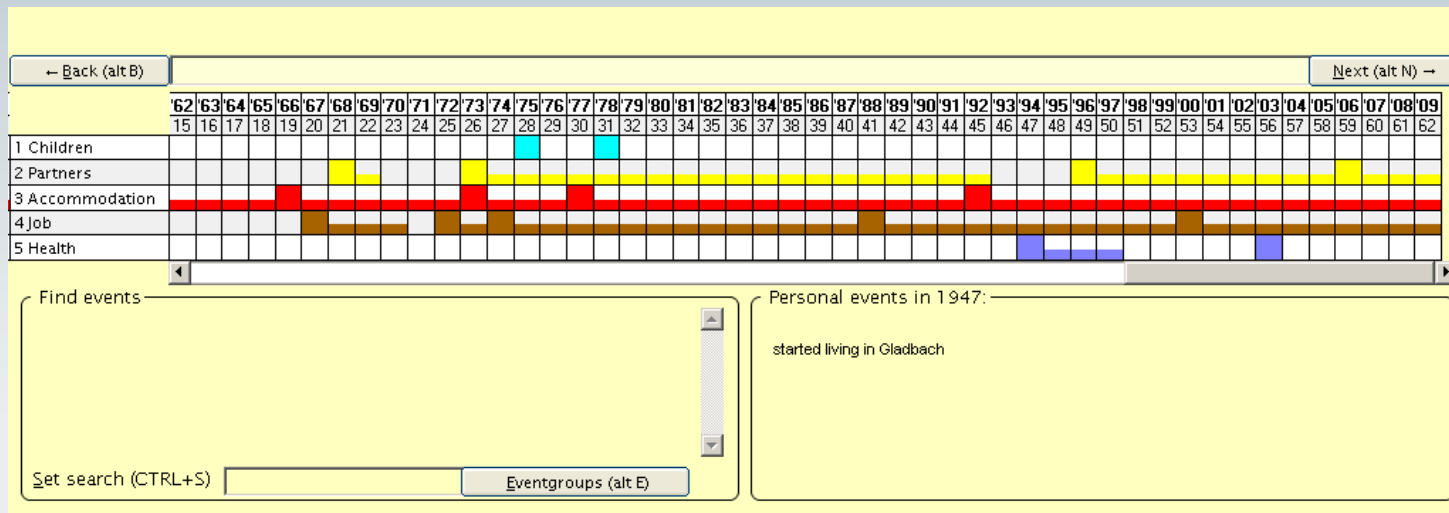- **Cross-national**: 20 European countries + Israel (upcoming: EU28)

Methodology

- Representative samples of **individuals age 50+** and spouse/partner

- **Face-to-face interviews** by trained interviewers

- Broad range of **questions, measurements and tests:**

  - **Health:** subjective-objective (self-report, ADL/IADL, conditions, physical performance, biomarkers), physical-mental (cognition, MMSE, CES-D, Euro-D), health behaviors, health utilization and insurance coverage

- **Socio-economic status**: labor force participation, retirement, income (amount and sources), wealth, consumption, pension claims, expectations, well-being

- **Social participation:** activities (volunteering), family and social networks (size and intensity), help (time, money)

- Waves 1, 2, 4, 5, 6: prospective panel
- Wave 3, (7): retrospective → SHARELIFE
- Life histories measure employment, income, housing, health, family/social networks **over the entire life course**, starting with parental conditions and childhood

SHARE-RV

- Project within the **German** sample of SHARE

- Direct linkage of SHARE survey data with administrative records of the German Pension fund

  - Longitudinal information on employment history

    - on monthly base

    - all activities which are relevant for the calculation of the pension

  - Cross-sectional information on pensions

Data access & www

SHARE data are available:

- free of charge

- to all **scientists** globally

www.share-eric.eu

- detailed information on SHARE

- questionnaires, documentation

- methodological research & all publications using SHARE data

Thank you for your attention!

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