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Work Package 2: Mapping

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Objectives

1. Comprehensively map the patterns and dynamics of geographical mobility within the EU among EU citizens and third country nationals (TCNs)
2. Create a comprehensive database of statistics on intra-EU mobility to facilitate future research

Role within the larger project:

- Provide a descriptive baseline for WPs 3-6 to build an evidence base on the nature and economic implications of EU mobility [IMPACTS component]

Countries covered

Data scoping and patterns:

- All EU-28 (cross-country indicators and databases)

Case studies:

- 5 in-depth case studies (selection determined by: countries that have the largest mobility from/to, Geographical scope, data availability)
 - Probably including UK, Germany

Themes

- I. Patterns and networks of intra-EU mobility
- II. Challenges of intra-EU mobility monitoring and effective solutions

I.

Patterns and networks of intra-EU mobility

Goals

- Identify patterns, dynamics, and main corridors
 - Intra-regional, international movements
- Study how the composition of flows differ by country, in terms of:
 - Numbers and rates
 - European & TNC flows
 - Differences in bilateral mobility patterns by:
 - Age
 - Gender
 - Skills
 - Occupational / self-employment status
 - Citizenship
- Understand the role of gender and socio-economic background

Methodological approach 1/3

- Use existing data to map migration flow and stock data, including large and small-scale datasets
- Include large and small-scale datasets, for example:
 - Eurostat, OECD data
 - Eurostat 2016, including LFS 2014 and ad hoc module
 - Eurostat data from past 10-20 years (to identify historical patterns)
 - International surveys
 - HEGESCO international survey of higher education graduates Eastern Europe
 - School leaver surveys
 - EUROCROSS
 - National surveys
 - UK International Passenger Survey, Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey, GENESIS Germany
 - Register data from municipalities
 - Netherlands, Sweden, Denmark

Methodological approach 2/3

Use the gathered data to:

- Look at number and rate of mobile EU-28 citizens & TCNs by:
 - origin country
 - Destination country
 - gender and other socio-demographic characteristics, and
 - migration motivations
- Map EU citizens' and TCNs':
 - cross-border and regional mobility rate,
 - cross-border and regional commuting rate, and
 - Cross-border workers
 - lifetime mobility(to produce indicators for other WPs)

Methodological approach 3/3

- Create a database with detailed information on publicly available data sources
- Conduct additional in-depth analysis on countries with highest concentration of intra-EU mobility (case studies)
 - Gain a deeper understanding of major pathways of individuals using accessed databases

II.

Challenges of intra-EU mobility monitoring and effective solutions

Goals

- Identify major limitations of international data
 - Data coverage
 - Quality and reliability
 - Comparability
- Identify underlying methodological, conceptual and practical reasons for limitations in data collection
- Explore most effective and efficient way to address limitations

Methodological approach

- Data mapping will reveal gaps
- Review of existing literature and statistical guidance on different data sources
- Stakeholder interviews
 - Policymakers, academics, statisticians
 - Countries will probably include UK, Germany, EU level (Eurostat)
 - Explore major drawbacks and sources of mobility not captured in large datasets, e.g.:
 - Challenges related to seasonal migration movements
 - Incomplete registration
 - Lack of coverage of shared accommodation arrangements in household surveys
 - Differences in data collection procedures across countries
- Explore why we see these issues and how they can be improved

Planned timeline: Year 1

- Months 1–4: Data gathering
- M3: List of stakeholders to interview
- M4-8: Stakeholder interviews
- M5: Start data analysis
- M12 (end of Year 1) deliverables:
 - Policy note 1 on patterns and networks (D2.1)
 - Accessible for EU and national level migration policymakers, national and local government officials, civil society organizations etc.
 - Preliminary report on background and data (D2.2)

Planned timeline: Year 2

- M16: Policy note 2 on monitoring challenges (D2.3)
 - Moved from M12
 - Accessible for EU and national level migration policymakers, national and local government officials, civil society organizations etc.
- M24: Journal article 1 on patterns and networks (D2.4)
 - Target top journals specialized in international migration
 - E.g.: International Migration Review; Population, Time and Space
 - and EU policy
 - E.g.: Journal of Contemporary European Research; European Union Politics

Planned timeline: Year 3

- M32:
 - Main report (D2.5)
 - Covering background, data, analysis and recommendations of the research and published at the end of the project
 - Journal article 2 on monitoring challenges (D2.6)
 - Target top journals specialized in international migration and EU policy
- M34:
 - Database (D2.6)
 - Brings together information on all existing databases identified during the project
 - Webinar (D2.7)
 - Launch main report
- M36: end of project

Questions?

