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The European Association of Methodology (EAM)

The EAM serves to promote the research and the development of *empirical research methods* in the fields of the Behavioural, Social, Educational, Health, and Economic Sciences as well as in the field of Evaluation Research, especially by

- promoting research and teaching of research methods in the fields mentioned above
- creating facilities to promote the exchange between scientists in Europe and other parts of the world
- supporting the activities of national groups and their members
- promoting publications in the fields mentioned above

History

The initiative to found an European Association of Methodology originated from the Methods Group of the German Society of Psychology and the Spanish *Asociación Española de Metodología de las Ciencias del Comportamiento (AEMCCO)*, and was joined by the Methods Section of the German Society of Sociology. The idea was also embraced by the organizational meeting of the Conference of the Society for Multivariate Analysis in the Behavioural Sciences (SMABS) in Tilburg 2002, and by many individual colleagues from other European countries. The foundation took place on February 27, 2004, in Frankfurt/Main (Germany) and was attended by researchers and methodologists from 8 European countries and four disciplines (Psychology, Sociology, Economics and Education). By now (March 2014), the EAM has 365 members from 41 countries. The first conference was held July 2004 in Jena (Germany) as a joint conference with the Society of Multivariate Analysis in the Behavioural and Social Sciences (SMABS; All oral contributions are still available as online videos at: <http://2004.smabs.org>). Since then, successful conferences were held in Budapest (2006), in Oviedo (2008), Potsdam (2010) and Santiago de Compostela (2012). The next Congress of Methodology will be held at the Utrecht University, The Netherlands, at July 23-25, 2014.

Why a European Association of Methodology?

There are several reasons for a European Association of Methodology.

- Other international organisations are often neither interdisciplinary nor explicitly European based. We will all profit from more coordination and exchange in Europe with respect to teaching and to research. The information technology will open

up completely new ways of cooperation such as electronic workshops, international Master and PhD programs, etc.

- The political unification process of Europe deserves to be supported by scientific organizations in Europe.
- A European association helps to promote methodological thinking in the substantive fields of science but also in politics and administrations.

Benefits of being a member of the European Association of Methodology

- Membership includes subscription of "Methodology. European Journal of Research Methods in the Behavioural and Social Sciences" (Publisher: Hogrefe-Huber). The internet version of the first issue appeared in January 2005. By now (March 2014) more than 40 issues are available. Members will receive a printed version at the end of each year.
<http://www.hhpub.com/journals/methodology/>
- Members profit from a reduced fee at the SMABS-EAM conferences.
<http://www.smabs.org>
- There is a reduced fee for members at conferences of other associations. A first example is: "Deutsche Gesellschaft für Klassifikation" (GfKI).
<http://www.gfki.de>
- There is a reduced fee for members at EAM sponsored Workshops.
<http://www.metheval.uni-jena.de>
- Members have access to the "Only for members" section of the EAM website. It offers access to email lists of members in all countries and being included in these mailing lists.
<http://www.eam-online.org>
- There is a reduction for EAM member of 20% on the subscription of the Journal "Measurement" (Publisher: Taylor & Francis).
<http://www.tandfonline.com>