

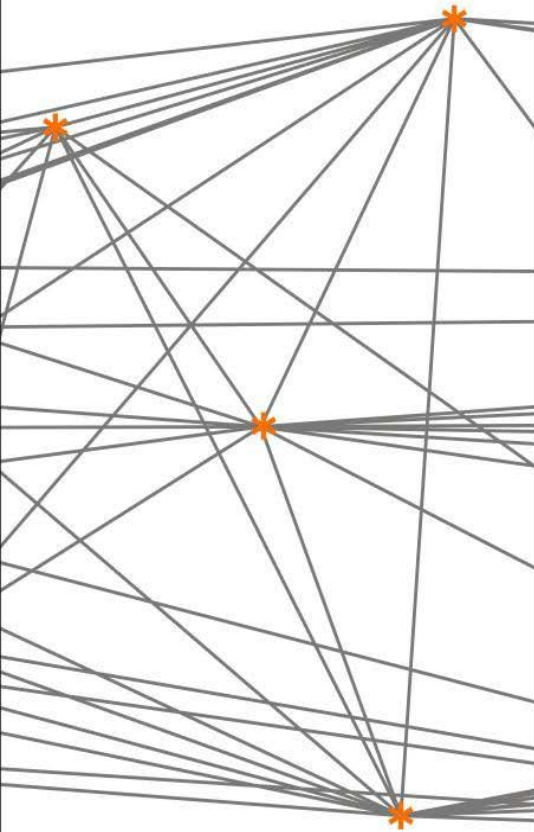


# SHARE Wave 4 Key results

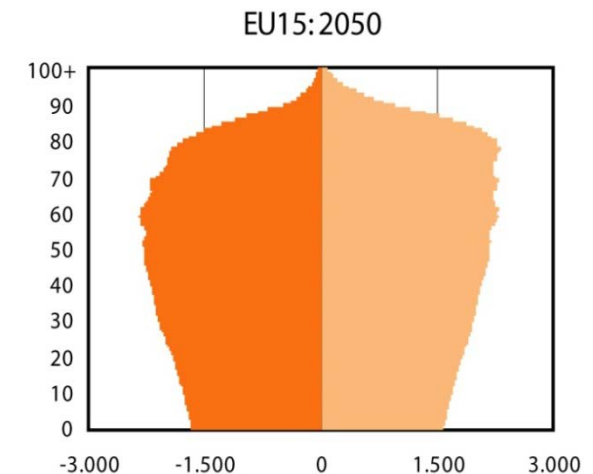
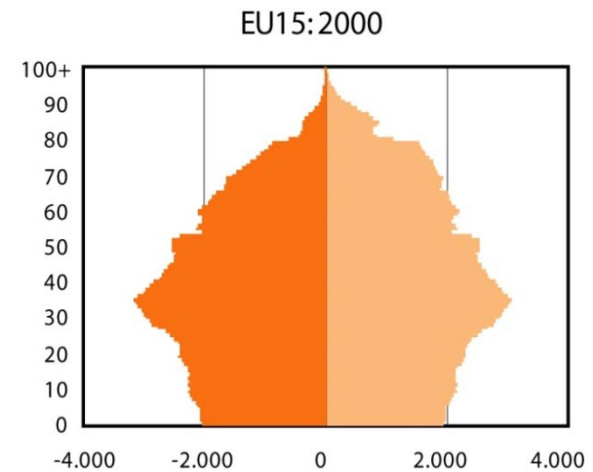
## Brussels, 27 June 2013

# Welcome

**Axel Börsch-Supan, Coordinator**



- ▶ Population ageing is one of *the* challenges of the **21<sup>st</sup> century** affecting:
  - ▶ Pensions, health and long-term care
  - ▶ Economic growth and living standards
  - ▶ Social (esp. intergenerational) cohesion
- ▶ Financial, debt and economic **crisis has made matters worse**
- ▶ **Genuine EU challenge**, not only member states
- ▶ Requires **monitoring and benchmarking**
- ▶ **Age 50+** shows what welfare state interventions have accumulated over the life-course: health, wealth, and social networks

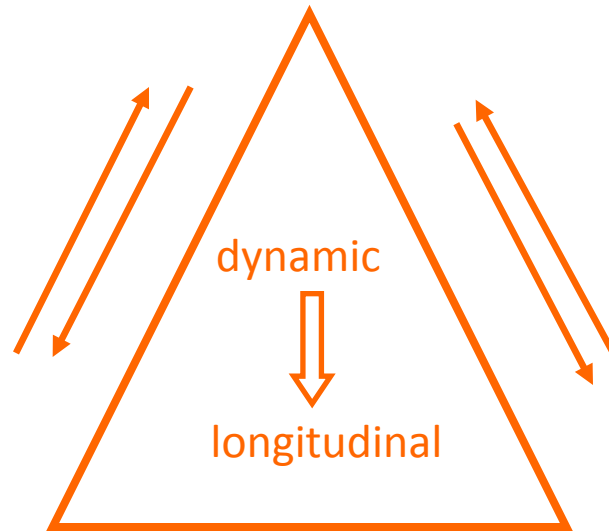


# Aims & principles

## Context

### Economic

Income security, personal wealth, education



### Social networks

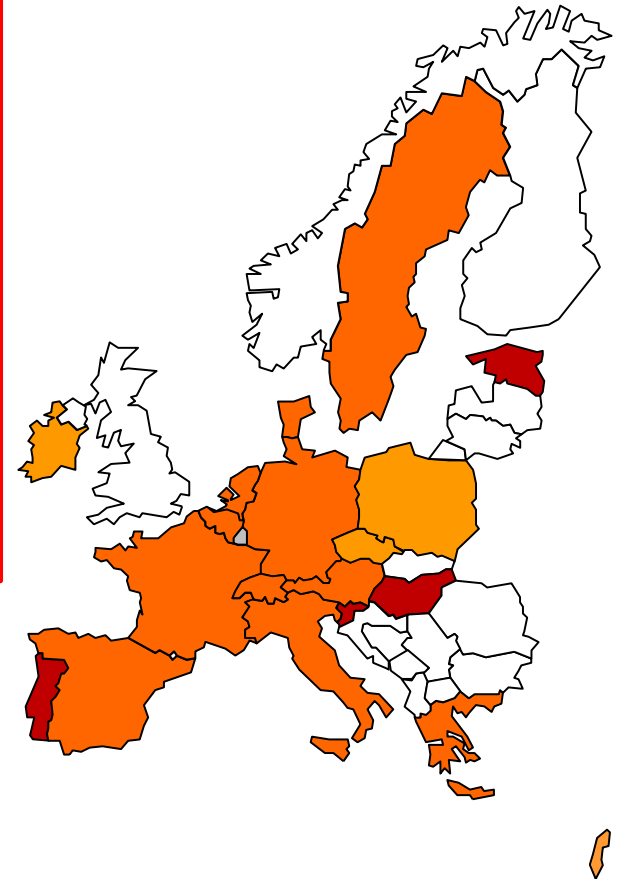
Living arrangements, partnership, family, social ties, social support

### Health

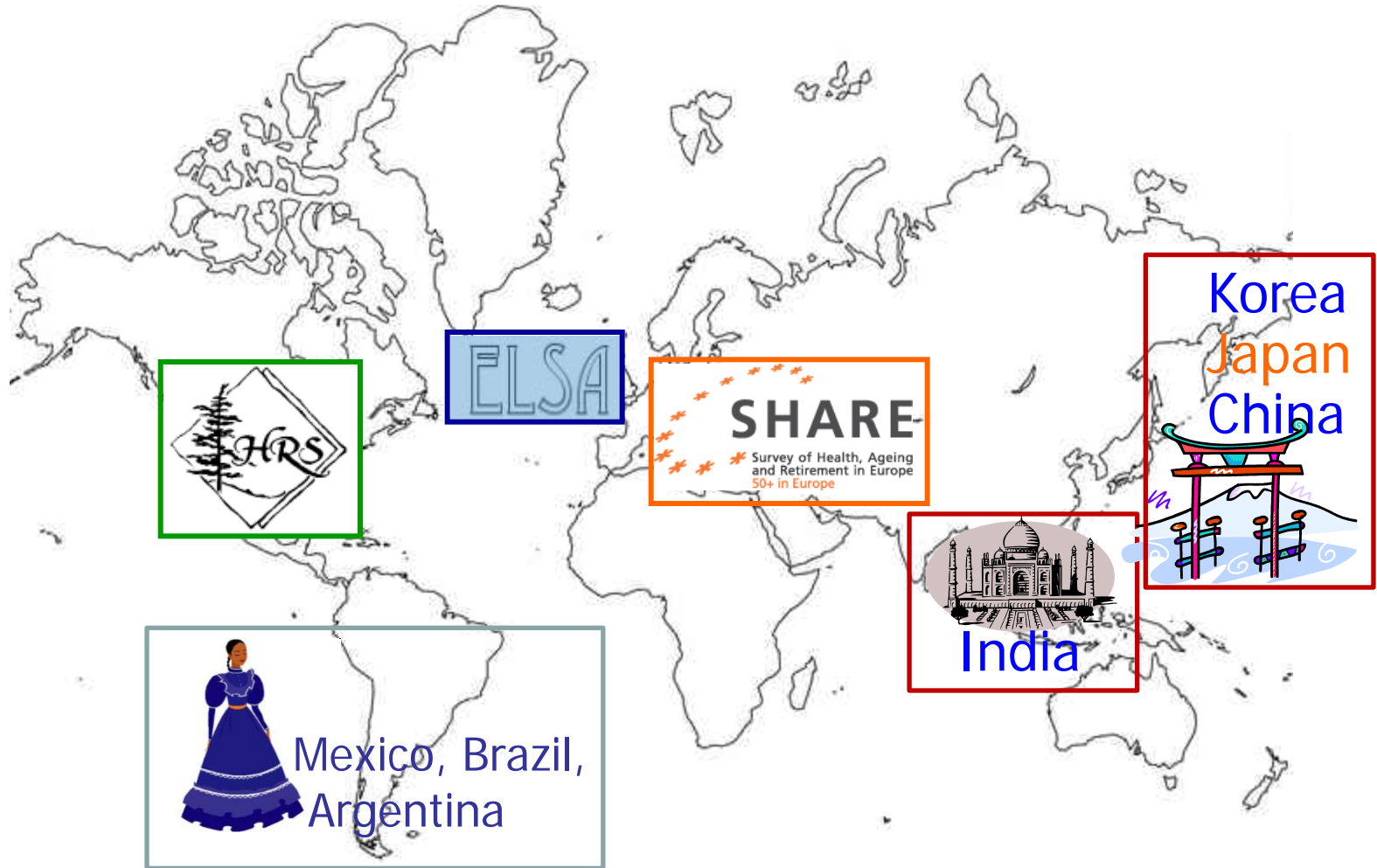
Physical and mental, health care, disability, morbidity, mortality

- ▶ **Wave 1, 2004-05**  
SE, DK, NL, DE, BE, FR, CH, AT, ES, IT, GR
- ▶ **Wave 2, 2006-07**  
+ IE, CZ, PL, IL
- ▶ **Wave 3, 2008-09**  
Retrospective life histories
- ▶ **Wave 4, 2010-11**  
+ PT, SI, HU, EE / - GR  
sample expansion in many countries (6000)  
**= 150.000 Interviews from 19 countries released!**

- ▶ **Fieldwork for Wave 5 just now**  
+ LU, CAT / - GR, HU
- ▶ **HR about to join**
- ▶ **6 more waves up to 2024**



# Co-operation: a global laboratory



## Morning:

- Selected scientific results from wave 4 by SHARE researchers
- Comments by Georg Fischer, DG EMPL, Director for Analysis & Evaluation

## Afternoon:

- How to further develop SHARE as a complex distributed research infrastructure
- Stress on particular features of SHARE: Interdisciplinary, longitudinal and genuinely international („Europeanness“)