### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1. NAME OF THE CENTER AND LOCATION

**SHARE ERIC Bulgaria**  
**SURVEY OF HEALTH AGEING AND RETIREMENT IN EUROPE**

#### 2. TYPE OF THE RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE AND/OR SCIENTIFIC EXPERTISE

Identify the type of the RI, equipment/facilities/ specific research, and in particular linked to COVID-19:

- The SHARE ERIC Bulgaria provides scientific research of SHARE data, supports data collection in Bulgaria, and coordination of all SHARE activities, following SHARE ERIC standards.

**SURVEY OF HEALTH, AGEING AND RETIREMENT IN EUROPE (SHARE)** is a multidisciplinary and cross-national panel database of micro data on health, socio-economic status and social and family networks of about 140,000 individuals aged 50 or older (around 380,000 interviews). SHARE covers 27 European countries and Israel. SHARE ERIC is working to collect panel data for research of the influence of COVID-19 pandemic circumstances on personal life.

**KEY WORDS:**  
Survey Methodology, Comparative Research, Cross-national Research, Health, Socio-economic Status, Ageing, Longitudinal research

#### 3. TYPE OF THE RESEARCH

Provide information on the research carried on or planned in regard with COVID-19 and other viruses

**SHARE ERIC** is working to include special COVID-19 questionnaire, measuring effect of the COVID outbreak for health (physical and mental), socio-economic status and social networking. The efforts are concentrated on inclusion of such additional questionnaire in wave 8 and the forthcoming wave 9. The aim is to collect unique data how the people 50+ years of age are affected by the outbreak, and how this critical situation will affect their lives in the future.

The **SHARE ERIC Bulgaria** is collecting online survey on COVID-19 Outbreak influence on people’s life in Bulgaria, with special focus on online and distant schooling during the state of emergency in Bulgaria. The national consortium SHARE ERIC Bulgaria prepares research projects to deeply investigate the policy and national response within global critical situations.

Scientific Research on such outbreak effects in Bulgaria is ongoing; research publications and policy recommendations are forthcoming.
### 4. WEBSITE

Provide the internet address:

**URL:** [https://share-eric-bulgaria.bg/en/](https://share-eric-bulgaria.bg/en/)

[http://www.share-project.org/home0.html](http://www.share-project.org/home0.html)

### 5. BACKGROUND, PUBLICATIONS AND OPEN DATA REPOSITORY

**leading research team AND Scientific publications of the research group on the topics of related to coronaviruses research results:**

For SHARE ERIC Bulgaria (national infrastructure):

- Institute for Philosophy and Sociology at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (IPS-BAS)
  - **Dr. Ekaterina Markova** – national coordinator, SHARE Country Team Leader
  - **Dr. Gabriela Yordanova**, Senior scientist, SHARE country team operator
  - **Assoc. prof. Alexey Pamporov**
  - **Prof Dr sc. Zhelyu Vladimirov**
  - **Prof Dr sc. Olya Harizanova**
  - **Assoc. Prof Dr Nikolay Netov**
  - **Assoc. Prof Dr Boryana Pelova**
  - **Diana Nenkova**

**link to open data repository**

The team includes various PhD students, according to different research tasks.

### 6. COORDINATOR

For SHARE ERIC Bulgaria:

- Institute for Philosophy and Sociology at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences (IPS-BAS)
  - **Dr. Ekaterina Markova** – national coordinator

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### 7. POSSIBLE PARTNERS

**Indicate the partner organizations**

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- Faculty of Economics and Business Administration
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  - **Prof Dr sc. Olya Harizanova**
  - **Assoc. Prof Dr Nikolay Netov**
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8. IMPLEMENTED AND RUNNING PROJECTS

| Projects related to virology, vaccines, infection diseases … | Special online Survey (in Bulgarian) on COVID-19 outbreak effects on personal and family situation, with emphasis on distant schooling in Bulgaria. |
| Support on policy making through SHARE data analysis for public institutions. SHARE special questionnaire about covid-19 outbreak data collection, forthcoming data analysis for outbreak impact on people’s socio-economic situation, health and social networks across Europe. |