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## Outlook

The FEMAGE project started in January 2006. Main goals for the year 2006 include data collection and the start of the analyses.

First results from the analysis of viewpoints of nationals towards migrants and migration and an up-to-date description of the project will be presented in a press release in January 2007. In May 2007 a second press release will cover the results from the analysis of the interviews of female immigrants. The final report of the project will be finished in December 2007, followed by a press release in January 2008.

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# Project Presentation

Aim, structure and objectives of  
the FEMAGE Project

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## FEMAGE

### Needs for Female Immigrants and their Integration in Ageing Societies

#### Aim

The overarching objectives of the FEMAGE project are to generate knowledge about obstacles and needs for opportunity enhancement for economic and social integration and emancipation of women immigrants in a life-course perspective, identify requirements for integrative interaction between immigrants and national population in the host country, build this knowledge into a platform for the policy deliberations among key policy stakeholders, and elaborate recommendations on needs for immigrants and support policies and services for their integration in view of population ageing in Europe. The project directly addresses female third-country nationals residing in eight European states. It will record their experiences, needs, attitudes and expectations concerning immigration and integration policies and practices and viewpoints regarding their own old age.

#### Main Objectives

We aim to identify gaps in knowledge and to feed into policies the knowledge-base findings about the following aspects:

1. The life-chances and expectations of immigrant women in 8 member states;
2. Integration requirements for female immigrants already present in the host country taking into account their current needs but also the fact that immigrants themselves age and need care and social security at high age;
3. Long-term demand for immigrants and impact on host society in view of the experiences and expectations of national populations and expected socio-demographic developments.

#### Methodology

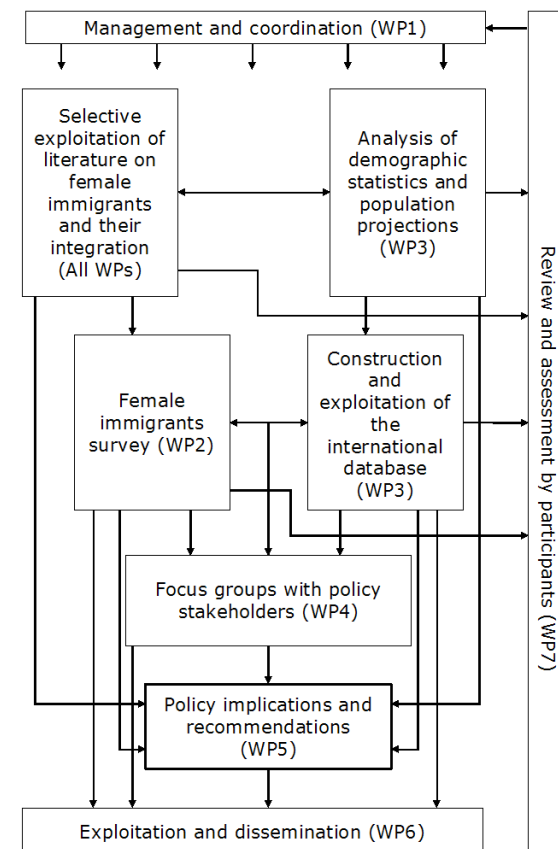
The methodology of FEMAGE is based on qualitative and quantitative approaches. Since it is an international project all analyses are comparative. The bases for our analyses are the following:

1. Statistical analyses of the already gathered but unexplored data from the Population Policy Acceptance Study (for further information see: [www.bib-demographie.de/ppa/Main.htm](http://www.bib-demographie.de/ppa/Main.htm)) among nationals from the involved countries regarding migration and integration of immigrants. These data are based on a standardised survey with a large amount of respondents.
2. Qualitative interviews with female migrants about their migration experiences, their current situation in the host country and their expectations. The method implies a small scale of respondents, but a great depth of information about individual life courses of the targeted women.
3. Conducting Focus Group Discussions on national and European level. This method aims to catch the view of experts, stakeholders and migrant women expressed during a dialogue between each other.

#### Structure

The FEMAGE project is funded by the European Commission in the 6th Framework Programme for 2 years (1/2006-12/2007). Nine countries are participating: Germany, Hungary, Belgium, Poland, the Czech Republic, Slovenia, Austria, Finland and Estonia. The project is co-ordinated by the German Federal Institute for Population Research. The project is structured into 7 work packages (see diagramm). To coordinate the proceedings of the project four meetings of all participating partners are scheduled. They will take place in Wiesbaden, Tallinn, Budapest and Brno. Progress of the project can be followed at the project homepage: [www.bib-demographie.de/femage](http://www.bib-demographie.de/femage).

### The FEMAGE Work Packages and their Interdependencies



- WP1:** Management and coordination (DE)  
**WP2:** Questionnaire, sampling plan and survey of female immigrants (HU)  
**WP3:** International database, and comparative analyses of the two surveys; female immigrants and nationals (BE)  
**WP4:** Focus group (PL)  
**WP5:** Policy implications and recommendations (CZ)  
**WP6:** Exploitation and dissemination (DE)  
**WP7:** Review and assessment (HU, BE, PL, CZ)