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## Invitation for research proposals

### Use the Citizen Panel at the University of Gothenburg for your research

The Laboratory of Opinion Research (LORE) and the Multidisciplinary Opinion and Democracy Research Group (MOD) at the University of Gothenburg supports innovative and high quality research within political science and the social sciences in general that focus on citizens' opinions and attitudes, political behavior, and related processes. For the upcoming round of data collections during the winter of 2014/2015 we now invite scholars to apply for using the Citizen Panel and to include their own questions or survey embedded experiments in our survey, all topics are welcome and will be considered. The next open call for proposals is planned to take place in the spring 2015.

The Laboratory of Opinion Research (LORE) aims to be a leading university run instrument for web-based surveys in Sweden. The main purpose of this effort is to develop research on democracy, public opinion, political behavior and survey methodology. We want to provide a facility that can serve both the Swedish and the global research community with access to a large panel of respondents.

**LORE and MOD now invite scholars to apply for using the Citizen Panel at the University of Gothenburg for collecting web survey data during the winter of 2014/2015. If the application is approved by the reference committee, and if the planned data collection is found to be of reasonable size, LORE and MOD provides the proposed data collection free of charge.**

Primarily, the Citizen Panel is used to collect data for experimental designs or panel designs, both substantive and methodological. The Citizen Panel includes a small set of general questions that is asked regularly. For further details concerning the Citizen Panel, see [www.lore.gu.se](http://www.lore.gu.se) or contact [johan.martinsson@pol.gu.se](mailto:johan.martinsson@pol.gu.se).

# Instructions for proposals

Proposals are submitted via e-mail to [johan.martinsson@pol.gu.se](mailto:johan.martinsson@pol.gu.se) and should indicate “Application to the Citizen Panel” in the subject line. All applications must use the application form (a word document entitled “Citizen Panel Application Form” that is attached together with this call for proposals, and can also be downloaded from [www.lore.gu.se](http://www.lore.gu.se)). Further instructions concerning the application format are found in the application form. All proposals should describe the research background and purpose of the project. It should also include a description of the publications that are planned to result from the project. Furthermore, it is important that it conveys, in as much detail as possible, the survey instruments/experimental designs that are proposed to be included in the Citizen Panel. We encourage interested scholars to contact us should they have questions regarding the proposal or the Citizen Panel. A reference committee that is appointed by the MOD coordinator and the LORE research director considers and makes decisions concerning each application. Decisions are based on the scientific quality of the proposals and the interest areas of MOD.

## Time frame

- **25<sup>th</sup> of September 2014** Call for proposals published
- **17<sup>th</sup> of October 2014** Deadline for proposals
- **First week of November 2014** Decision by reference committee. Acceptance or denials of proposals are distributed via e-mail to applicants.
- **November 2014** LORE staff work on the implementation of surveys, and contact approved applicants to discuss details. It is crucial that scholars that are accepted and given access to the Citizen Panel are prepared to react and respond quickly to questions and suggestions from the LORE staff during this period. Please note that approved applications might also be assigned to a later point in time for their implementation depending on available resources at LORE.
- **November 2014 – March 2015** Data collections

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