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Data set Contents

The data set consists of a compressed folder named **"DATASET_PROJECTMERGING.7z**" containing a folder, named "**DATASET_CODEBOOK_PROJECTMERGING**", that includes:

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  MERGING_WP3_T1_Dataset France UTUD_20211210.xcl.xlsx
  MERGING_WP3_T1_Dataset Italy UNIBO&SBE_20211210.xcl.xlsx
  MERGING_WP3_T1_Dataset Swedish UGOT_20211210.xcl.xlsx
  MERGING_WP3_T1_Dataset Spain UVEG_20211210.xcl.xlsx

Data set Documentation

Abstract

The MERGING project addresses refugees' reception and housing systems made available in several European countries by adopting a cross-national and comparative perspective.
Access to adequate and affordable housing is regarded as one of the main actions to integrate and include asylum seekers and refugees in Europe. However, to date the research and practice of models for integration tend to view housing as a complementary or secondary aspect with respect to other inclusion pillars such as language, work, or healthcare. The MERGING project, acknowledging the importance of housing for the inclusion and integration of refugees, has collected evidence about the institutional contexts of reference and five specific cases of housing in France, Italy, Spain, and Sweden.
The project perspective may be described as constructivist: migrant inclusion through housing into our societies is seen as constructed by interactions between individual, collective and institutional actors situated and reproduced by discursive practices and embedded in discursive orders. An exploratory approach is required, in which several heuristic perspectives are applied and combined.

In particular, each European partner collected:

- Semi-structured interviews with stakeholders (third sector NGOs, international organizations, immigrants' associations; public administration - governing bodies; public administration - service providers) to reconstruct the political and operational context in which the project is located.

- Semi-structured interviews with members of the community (neighborhood, church, newsagent, individual citizen, pharmacist, commercial activities) to reconstruct the extent to which the social context enhances/obstructs the project.

- Biographical interviews with migrants (present on the territory for at least one year) to reconstruct the subjective meaning they attribute to housing as a starting point for integration.

In this data set are collected five codebooks collecting the number of the Interviews conducted by each partner. Only aggregated data are included and not the interview transcripts. Each codebook included the following items: Code, Data Type, Partner involved, Interviewer(s), Interviewee, Date, Place, Length, and Materials used (Audio files, Transcripts, Pictures, Notes, Others).

Methodology

The qualitative MERGING study was carried out following qualitative research methods, namely individual interviews. The main purpose was reconstructing – by a bottom-up perspective – interviewees' representations (migrants, stakeholders, community members) on several topics/issues related to refugees' inclusion through housing.

Participants agreed to collaborate under the condition of anonymity and privacy protection. However, not all participants gave consent and the interviewees spoken frankly about potentially sensitive issues as well as about their arrival to Europe, the issues faced to integrate locally, etc. For these reasons, the dataset only regards an overview of aggregated data collected and not the interview transcripts.

Content of Dataset

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The following table offers an overview of the numbers of the interviews collected in each codebook.

Interview type	Number of Interviewees					Total
	Italy Housing First	France		Spain Agermanament Comunitari Valencià	Sweden Sällbo	
		Les Cinq Toits	UTUD			
Beneficiaries	5	8	10	9	5	37
Stakeholders	16	21	3	11	8	59
Community Members	2	1	0	6	1	10
Total Interviews	23	30	13	26	14	106

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Notes

Related publications:

Salinaro, M., & Ilardo, M. (2022). Housing as a starting point for migrants' integration: opportunities and obstacles in Emilia-Romagna region. *Educazione Interculturale*, 20(1), 107–121. https://doi.org/10.6092/issn.2420-8175/14975

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Salinaro Marta; Ilardo Marta, *The right to housing as preliminary step for migrants' integration process : findings from an Italian case study*, in: Ordinary Cities in Exceptional Times, RC21 Conference - Abstract Book, 2022, pp. 192 – 193.

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