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‘Zusammenleben in Deutschland – Living Together in Germany’ scientific study

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you very much for participating in our study ‘Living Together in Germany’ and for allowing us to contact you for further interviews. infas, DIW Berlin and the University of Bremen continue to conduct this study jointly.

We are all experiencing extraordinary times at the moment, which makes it ever more important to learn about the people’s current situation in Germany. We are inviting you to participate again in our important survey. Your participation, as always, is voluntary.

As a small thank you for taking part in the survey, you will receive 10 euros after taking part in the survey.

You may not be the only one in your household to receive a letter, so please always use the access data from your own invitation letter.

We sent you the invitation letter in German where you can find the access information, i.e. the website as well as the access code for the online survey. You can access the survey directly by using the QR code printed on the right side of the letter. The paper survey is only available in German. We kindly ask you to complete the survey within 2 weeks of receiving the German invitation letter.

Take part and share your thoughts! We thank you for your participation.

Yours sincerely

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Further information on the 'Zusammenleben in Deutschland – Living Together in Germany' study

For our first survey, you or a member of your household were randomly selected from the population register of municipality to participate in our study 'Living Together in Germany' (Section 46 Federal Act on Registration). We are now contacting all those who have given their consent for us to contact them again. Your personal participation is very important to us - your opinion and your feedback are invaluable! Nevertheless, your participation, as always, is voluntary.

What will the interview data be used for?

The information you provide will be evaluated anonymously and will be used for statistical and research purposes only. All staff are bound to confidentiality and trained in line with the requirements of the Data Protection Act. For more details, see the Declaration on Data Protection, which you received with our first letter and which you can find on our website:

https://www.zusammenleben-in-deutschland.de/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/EN_infas_Datenschutzblatt_ZiD_7771.pdf

Would you like to receive more information about the study?

Do you have any questions? Please feel free to contact us at infas by calling **0800 55 667 66** during regular office hours. You can also send us an e-mail to **zid@infas.de**, and we will promptly get back to you. For further information, please visit **www.zusammenleben-in-deutschland.de**.

How will I receive the thank-you gift of 10 euros for taking part?

After you have taken part in the survey, we will send you a thank-you letter with 10 euros in cash.

Can I complete the survey in another language?

Yes, you can also complete the online survey in English. You can find the invitation letter and the privacy notice in English here:

The online questionnaire is also available in English.

Information in English about the study can be found at:

<https://www.zusammenleben-in-deutschland.de/english/>