

# **DIME-SHS / Quali**

Archiving and accessing qualitative research

## **Enabling the reanalysis of qualitative studies in social sciences**

**DIME-SHS / Quali** aims to enable the reutilisation of qualitative research in social sciences. In order to make this possible it is based on a website where users can access and explore studies archived by researchers who wish to share the fruits of their research. This site, enQuêtes, is part of the larger platform beQuali, which aims to develop and promote qualitative research in social sciences particularly by encouraging secondary analysis.

## **At the origin of the project**

The project is based on the observation that the reuse of qualitative studies in France is insufficient on a range of levels:

- Deontological: researchers may hesitate to share the data they produced in a relationship of trust with their interviewees ;
- Epistemological: doubts exists concerning the pertinence of using qualitative material outside the conditions of its production ;
- Organisational: an absence of a centralised depository and system of access to previously conducted qualitative studies ;
- Legal: competition between the status of public survey archives and the intellectual property rights of researchers.

## **Why a qualitative research bank?**

enQuêtes is a tool for research and higher education. It aims to:

- contribute to the reinforcement of the science of qualitative studies by making the process of data collection and analysis visible and thus challengeable ;
- promote secondary analysis and thus open up the possibility of new comparisons
- develop reflexion on methodologies and provide material for the teaching of methods
- save studies as part of preserving the heritage and nourishing the history of social sciences

## **enQuêtes, a website for accessing studies online**

The enQuêtes website includes several studies, each forming its own mini-website with:

- the study itself, preparatory documents, materials collected and analysis
- the study of the study (scientific contextualisation of the study)
- tools for exploring the material online
- complementary sources

**What access?**

Online exploration of this material, as well as downloading, can be requested by members of the scientific community (researchers, teachers, analysts, doctoral and master students).

**What confidentiality?**

Researchers using this service engage in a deontological contract regarding reuse. The studies are rendered anonymous wherever possible. When this would be nonsensical, written consent of the participants is requested of the researcher seeking to archive his/her study.

To access beQuali websites please [go there...](#)

**Please note:** Unfortunately, for the moment, most of the website and most of the studies and documents in the archive are available in French only. Please excuse us for the inconvenience.

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