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Workshop

# International Perspectives on the Measurement of 'Social Cohesion'

**Tuesday, 25 June 2024**

**@ University Bremen and Online via Zoom**

**Time: 13.00 - 16.00**

The workshop aims to explore diverse perspectives on the measurement of social cohesion across three countries: Australia, Chile, and Germany. We will delve into the theoretical approaches, methodologies, and findings of key social cohesion surveys conducted in each country, and discuss the challenges of analyzing cohesion, conflict and polarization in international comparison.

Please register by sending your name and indicating whether you will participate virtually or in person via email to:

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### Introduction

*Olaf Groh-Samberg*

13.15 - 14.15

### Monitoring social cohesion in Australia: Trends, threats and opportunities for researchers and society

*James O'Donnell*

### Measuring social cohesion in Chile with longitudinal survey data

*Juan-Carlos Castillo*

*Short Break (15 Minutes)*

14.30 - 15.00

### Polarization and segregation as societal threats? Monitoring social cohesion with the German Social Cohesion Panel (SCP)

*Jean-Yves Gerlitz & Nils Teichler*

15.00 - 15.30

### Discussion

15.30 - 16.00

### Coffee & Cake

#### Location (hybrid)

Zoom (link will be sent via email) &  
University of Bremen, SOCIUM, BIGSSS Conference Room  
(7.3280)  
Mary-Somerville-Str. 7  
28359 Bremen

## Visiting scholars



Juan-Carlos Castillo is associate professor at the Department of Sociology, Universidad de Chile, principal researcher at the Center for the Study of Conflict and Social Cohesion (COES) and at the Millennium Nucleus on Digital Inequalities and Opportunities (NUDOS). He obtained his PhD in Sociology from the Humboldt Universität zu Berlin, studying the legitimacy of socioeconomic inequality through the analysis of comparative survey data. His research deals with distributive justice, citizenship education, social cohesion and open science. Currently he is the president of the Research Committee 42 from the International Sociological Association (ISA). Additional information: <https://jc-castillo.com/>



Dr James O'Donnell is a Demographer at the Australian National University with a research focus on social cohesion and wellbeing and their longitudinal and life course relationships with migration, population dynamics and social and economic inequalities. James is the Chief Investigator of the Scanlon Foundation's Mapping Social Cohesion study, Australia's pre-eminent and longest-running survey of attitudes, perceptions and behaviours related to social cohesion, immigration and a range of topical issues. He is also an early career research fellow of the Australian Research Council, funded to study how cohesion and wellbeing are changing over time and in response to personal and societal upheaval.