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Synergies for Europe's Research Infrastructures in the Social Sciences (SERISS)

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Background:

- SERISS stands for 'Synergies for Europe's Research Infrastructures in the Social Sciences'
- 4 year project (2015 – 2019)
- Funded by the European Commission (Horizon 2020)
- Platform for cooperation between established and emerging social sciences infrastructures in Europe
- 23 institutions involved (incl. third parties)

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A collaboration between:

- European Social Survey (ESS ERIC)
- Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE ERIC)
- Consortium of European Social Science Data Archives (CESSDA AS)
- Generations and Gender Programme (GGP)
- European Values Study (EVS)
- WageIndicator Survey

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Designed to:

- Strengthen social science research across Europe and beyond by overcoming fragmentation and fostering interoperability, harmonisation and innovation of data collection and curation

- Equip social science infrastructures to play a major role in addressing key societal challenges and ensure that national and European policy making is built on a firm socio-economic evidence base

- Promote the value of the social sciences to the wider research community, and policymakers

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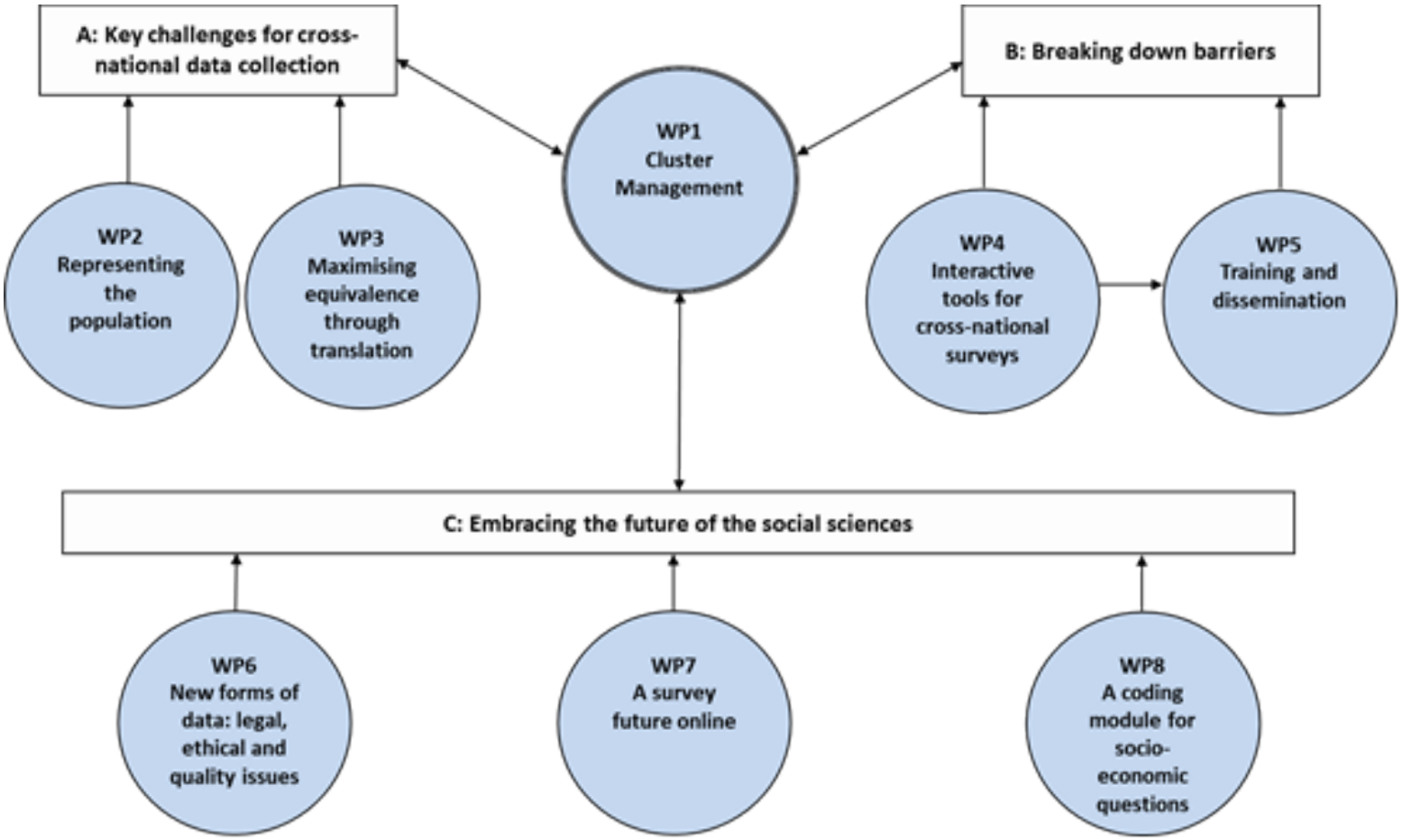
Achieved by:

- **Addressing key challenges for cross-national data collection** e.g. accurately representing the population, achieving equivalence through translation

- **Breaking down barriers between social science infrastructures** via training and networking events and the development of shared online tools to facilitate harmonised data collection and documentation

- **Embracing the future of the social sciences** by examining the legal and ethical challenges associated with new forms of data, developing a cross-national probability-based web survey and exploring automated coding for socio-economic variables

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