



# Request to merge the microdata published by Banca d'Italia with external datasets provided by the researcher



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## Introduction

For research purposes, Banca d'Italia allows researchers to request merging of the microdata published by Banca d'Italia with external datasets provided by the researcher.

To request the creation of a merged dataset, fill in this form and send it to [ricerca.microdati@bancaditalia.it](mailto:ricerca.microdati@bancaditalia.it), together with your research project presentation (or later, separately). The external dataset must contain only the variables strictly necessary to carry out the research project.

The merged dataset may not contain variables with greater granularity than the original dataset to avoid increasing the re-identification risk. If the external data include variables with greater granularity, you will be asked to delete that information from the dataset provided for the merging.

If the request is granted, you agree to provide the external dataset with the means and in the formats specified by the Research Data Center.

## Personal data

- Name and surname of the researcher
- Title of the research project<sup>1</sup>
- Username<sup>2</sup>

**Attach a copy of an ID document to the request.**

## External dataset

- Dataset name
- Is the dataset public?<sup>3</sup>

☐ Yes

☐ No

If the dataset is public, provide the data provider link or contact information.

- Write a short description of the content of the dataset and explain why you are requesting to merge it with REX microdata.

- Specify the identification variables to allow merging between RDC microdata and the external dataset.

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<sup>1</sup> Write the title specified in the access request.

<sup>2</sup> Write your username if you have already been issued a set of user credentials. For example, if the request to merge the microdata with the external dataset was submitted after the start of a project.

<sup>3</sup> A dataset is defined as public when it can be accessed and downloaded freely.

## Authorizations to use the external dataset

- Specify if you have a formal authorization to use the external dataset for the project.<sup>4</sup>

☐ Yes (attach the document to the email)

☐ No, no authorization required

☐ No

- Specify if you are authorized to connect the external dataset to other databases for the research project.

☐ Yes

☐ No

- Comments: add any other details on the authorization for the use of external data that might be useful to assess the request

You hereby accept full responsibility for the data shared with the Research Data Center of Banca d'Italia and accept to follow the dataset sharing instructions received. You hereby certify that you have access and are authorized to use the external dataset specified for the research project. The Research Data Center may, at any time, verify the accuracy of the information provided in this form.

The Research Data Center and Banca d'Italia are in no way liable for any improper use of the data on your part.

Date

Signature

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<sup>4</sup> For public datasets, check the box 'No, no authorization required'