Qualitative Archives: Short Descriptions:

Verbatim: Qualitative Data Archiving Base

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1. Field of Research

The social science research group deals with two main topics interesting for the company that is sociological forecasting within the company and social and economic environment of the company and more precisely:

- Nuclear waste
- Home automation
- Constructing High voltage lines
- Obtaining customers loyalty
- Council flats heating systems
- Electricity for low income customers
- Diffusion of innovation
- Hydraulic engineering
- Company management
- Part-time working in EDF
- Comfort in the home
- Domestic energy management
- Public utilities
- Photovoltaic energy
- Industrial waste
- Tariff-setting ...

2. Archiving Concept / Special Issues

- Resolving ethical problems: definition of an anonymisation policy, secured access to the database ..., redaction of a deontological charter
- Transcription of the interviews: redaction of a transcription guide
- Constructing the database model (all the archives are systematically digitalized): access to the methodological guide of the qualitative survey, socio-demographical data, interviews of each study
3. Database / Presentation of the Archive

The database Verbatim is a Lotus Notes database. For the moment it involves:

- 130 Mb
- 65 studies from 1994 to 2000
- 401 interviews

4. Access Conditions

For the moment, the database is accessible only to EDF researchers.

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