June 2021 IBUD – Abstracts

The second IBUD (International Blaise User Demonstration/Discussion) is on June 8th from 8:30 to 10:30 EST/ 14:30 to 16:30 CEST. Presentations will be about transitioning to Blaise 5 and CATI implementation. Here are the abstracts, listed in the order of presentation.

1. CAI software used at NatCen for Web/Cati as a Comparison to Blaise

Presenter: Colin Miceli (NatCen)

This presentation will demonstrate the key features of UI (Unicom Intelligence), using a small five-question Web/CATI example, as a comparator to Blaise 5. In particular, it will show

- The scripting language syntax and routing
- What a template contains
- How to install, launch, and run the script on the server
- The UI built-in functionality available to Developers and Telephone Unit users to manage the survey
- Similarities with Blaise 5 and highlight differences

2. Blaise 5 CATI at NASS

Presenter: Vito Wagner (NASS)

An overview of CATI use at USDA-NASS will start with a high-level look at the setup of our systems and our Dial survey. An overview of btrx specific needs including Daybatch select, Field selection, Time zones, and Treatments. Dial History and Daybatch uses in the CATI Dashboard will be briefly explored. We'll show a batch process for adding CATI users to the system and why we do not need user names and logins for all purposes. The last magic is matching records between two different surveys "automatically".

3. Blaise 5 CATI at Statistics Netherlands: Using New Possibilities

Presenter: Rogier Hellenbrand (CBS)

For several years, Statistics Netherlands is in transition from B4 to B5. What does this entail for CATI mode? In this presentation I will discuss and show some of the new possibilities we are using, including:

- Our version of time slicing
- Multi scheduler
- Appointment control
- Waves

4. Transition to Blaise 5 in CSO

Presenter: Norma O Connell (CSO)

We will share our experience in migrating from Blaise 4 to Blaise 5, providing feedback and insights to those about to migrate or thinking of migrating to Blaise 5.

Including some of our experiences with the Blaise Case Management Application, and distribution & returns processes.