EGO NETWORK EXERCISE

steps to build an excel matrix of your contacts

Personal Network exercise

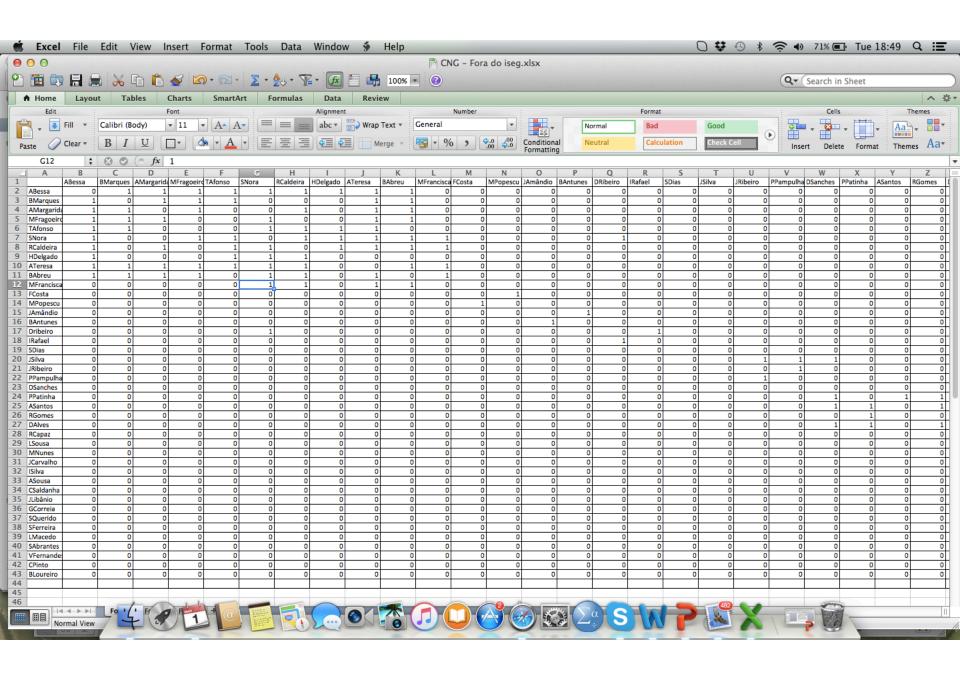
- FINAL Objetive of this exercise: : to describe and analyse your ego-network
 - How does it look like? Who is part of my personal network, and what characterises these persons and groups? What type of resources can I obtain from it?
 - Which resources do I get(or not) from it for my personal/professional development?
 - How can I improve it?

1st step— to build an excel matrix of your contacts

• 1st step: identify those persons whose contacts you have in your mobile/mail, and with whom you have talked more than 2/3 times a year (40 - 60 people or more) preferably from different social spheres of your life, including people linked to your current social, familar professional/student life and those you expect to be a good support for your future life, porfessional and personla)

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- 2nd step: to insert those people in an EXCEL square matrix,i.e. a matrix with the same name in the lines and columns - do copy paste (lines to columns) and use short versions of names e.g ex Josephine Smith (JoSmit).
- Starting in line 2 identify who relates to whom who has met whom – by inserting a 1 when there is a linkage between people and a 0 when there is no linkage.
- You can pre-fill the matrix with zeros and then start inserting the 1's as there will be many more zeros than 1's.
- This matrix should be completed by the 14th march
 - In class we tasnforms the excel matrix in UCINET matrix and work with it



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RELATIONSHIP, PLACE OF LIVING, AGE, AND TYPE OF SOCIAL SUPPORT

- RELATIONSHIP
- 1.Famiy
- 2.Friends (including boy/girl friend)
- 4.university (colleagues)
- 5. professional
- 6- other

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- b) Place of living
- 1-My city
- 2-Another city in my country
- 3-Portugal
- 4-another country

c) AGE

- 1. about the same age
 - 2. older up to 10 years
- 3. older above 10 years
- 4- younger

NOTE: you can choose other categories that make more sense to you. Just remember to say it in the essay

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D)type of social support

- 1-Express feelings: with whom do you take care of personal intimate matters?
- 2-Material support: to whom do you ask money or other type of personal support?
- 3-Information and advice: who can give you advice and help you taking a decision?
- 4-Practical help: who can give you a hand in matters related to work university?
- 5-Sociability / companionship: with whom do you spend free time, go out, etc.?

NOTE concerning inserting the value for social support: you should insert a 1 if you just receive 1 type of support, 2 if you receive 2 types of support and so on (each type of support is worth 1 value)

How the excel should look like.

	Relationship	Place of living	Age	Type social support	of
AntMAT	1 (father)	1	3	4	
LuiRIB	4 (colleague)	1	2	2	
MarSIlv	1	1	1	2	

Next steps – in class – 20th march

- Your 2 excel files :
- 1)square matrix with names
- 2) the file with the attributes of your contacts
- the 20th march the class will be divided into 2 shifts

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 - M-Z(1st name) 15.00-15.45
 - A-L (1st name) 15.45-16.30

Report deadline – April 3rd (in print)

- 5 pages
- I will give instructions after you have inserted the data