To date, research has failed to address the gender-specific determinants of remittances from Germany.

Dependent Variable
“Amount of remittances”

Motivation
How do transnational family networks work?
What are the recent gender specific determinants of remittances?
Do gender specific network effects occur?
Does the remittances behavior of different migrant groups follow similar patterns?

Data source:
SOEP 2001-2006

Results
¾ Gender matters
¾ Interaction terms reveal gender specific network effects
¾ Different groups of migrants show remarkable differences in international networking

Conclusions
➢ Gender matters
➢ Interaction terms reveal gender specific network effects
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Further Steps
➢ Analysis of the linkages between gender specific migration patterns and remittances
➢ Relevance of social norms and gender roles
➢ Relative role of the migrant within the transnational network

Networks and Gender, dependent variable: amount of remittances1 (Tobit)

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<th>Foreigners</th>
<th>Germans with migration background</th>
<th>All Migrants</th>
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<td>Age</td>
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<td>0.307***</td>
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<td>Gender (Female=1)</td>
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<td>Education (in years)</td>
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<td>Household Size in Germany</td>
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Network Abroad
(Grand)Parents Abroad (yes=1) | 1.236      | 2.497***                          | 1.567***     |
Children Abroad (yes=1)       | 6.939***   | 2.431                             | 5.352***     |
Siblings Abroad (yes=1)       | 3.627**    | -0.398                            | 1.348        |
Other Relatives Abroad (yes=1) | -0.744     | -0.869                            | -0.894       |
Friends Abroad (yes=1)        | -0.192     | 2.285**                           | 1.785**      |

Interaction Terms
Age*Female | -0.020 | 0.045 | 0.040
 Married*Female | 0.494 | 0.233 | -0.246
 Education*Female | -0.084 | -0.217 | -0.105
 Individual Labor Income*Female | -0.008 | -0.166 | -0.148
 Family Income*Female | 0.062 | 0.160 | 0.049
 Household Size*Female | -0.214 | -0.131 | -0.111
 Relative Duration of Stay*Female | -2.986 | 2.155 | -0.951
 Remigration Plans*Female | -2.392** | -1.493 | -1.888**
 (Grand)Parents Abroad*Female | -1.821 | -0.429 | -0.418
 Children Abroad*Female | -3.430** | -1.857 | -3.368**
 Siblings Abroad*Female | -4.376** | 3.081** | -0.018
 Other Relatives Abroad*Female | 1.042 | 0.272 | 0.364
 Friends Abroad*Female | -0.382 | -0.529 | -0.782
 Constant | -16.394*** | -18.498*** | -17.376***

Observations | 2 929 | 3 382 | 6 311
Persons | 732 | 995 | 1 648
Log Likelihood | -2 061 | -2 436 | -4 533

1 ln; 2 ln of monthly net equivalent family income minus individual’s income; significant at 10%; ** significant at 5%; *** significant at 1%; Source: SOEP 2001-2006, authors’ calculations.