Standard Informed Consent Form THUAS

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*This document is meant as a standard text in which you as researcher inform the participants of your research about their cooperation to your research. Special attention is required to the way in which personal data are used and stored. Given that every research is different, we ask you to adjust the provided general questions to your specific research project. Additionally, we kindly request you to communicate as complete and factual as possible with the potential participants.*

*Below the articles, examples are provided in green a green font which could serve as suggestions for issues that might be applicable to your research. Please delete these suggestions before finalizing the form, these parts are only meant as help for you!*

*Please contact us if you have any questions about research support in general or this form in specific via the email address:* *researchsupport@hhs.nl*

*Please delete this introduction text on the actual informed consent form.*

Name of responsible researcher:

Email address of responsible researcher

Telephone-number of responsible researcher:

1. Name of research project

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2. Research objective

The objective of this research is to measure x on the basis of y and z. We therefore collect data on y and z.

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3. General practice during the research

You, the participant, shall engage in interviews on two different moments. Questions about x will be asked. An example of a typical question that could be asked would be “…”. The focus will be on y; this can be a sensitive topic and have an emotional impact on the participant. Video-recordings of these interviews will be made.

You, the participant, shall be exposed to x, during this it will be appreciated if you could y. You maintain the right to terminate your engagement in the research at any given time.

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4. Potential risks and discomforts

We are aware that the interviews about subject x may recall negative memories or traumatic experiences. You maintain the right to terminate or pause the interview. You are also able to skip questions if you so desire.

We are aware that there are risks involved in swimming under water for a long duration. For this reason there are medical professionals present in the swimming pool in order to minimize the risk as much as possible. You maintain the right to terminate your participation or skip an activity at any time.

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5. Confidentiality of your personal data

The privacy of your personal data is protected to the maximum extend. Under no condition will personal data be published or shared with third parties. According to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) your personal data is yours.

When the research is finalized your personal data will be deleted.

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6. Confidentiality of research data

The data that we receive from you will be saved on an encrypted hard-drive owned by THUAS. Only those professionals that are a part of the research team will be able to access this hard-drive. The data will be utilized with care. Under no circumstance will it be shared or made available to third parties.

Given the objective of the research it is required that we register your current place of residence. Other personal data such as your name, ethnicity or religion is not relevant for this research. If these become known they will therefore not be registered. In order to give you the opportunity to withdraw your consent even after the data-gathering phase you will be registered in our system under a ‘respondent-number’ a pseudonym.

According to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) you are the owner of your data and are entitled to terminate your approval for us to use them. However, in this research we are not making use of personal data but of research data: the anonymous answers that you give to multiple-choice-questions. Because this data is only known to us on a basis of anonymity we do not know which data is provided by which individual. For this reason we will not be able to subtract the data that has been provided by you from our dataset.

The Hague University of Applied Science endorses the principle of ‘Open Access’. This means that we strive to make as much of our research data, within the law, available with other research institutions. This way more people have access to science. The data that will be collected during this research project will be anonymized and archived. It is not possible to withdraw your consent anymore to trace data to an individual. The data will be accessible for other research institutions or researchers.

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7. Voluntary

Participation tot his research is entirely voluntary. As a participant you may terminate your participation at all times, or refuse that your data is shared.

If you decide to terminate your participation, you want to express concerns, or experience damage or discomfort during the research you are kindly requested to contact the responsible researcher ‘John Johnson’:

Email address of responsible researcher ‘John Johnson’:

Telephone number of responsible researcher ‘John Johnson’:

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8. Declaration of consent

By signing this document you declare that you are at least 18 years of age; that you are informed properly about the research, the ways in which the data will be collected, used, treated and which potential risks you are exposed to by participating.

In case you had any questions, you declare that you have had the opportunity to ask them and that they have been adequately answered. You declare that your participation is on a voluntary basis. You will receive a copy of this signed declaration of consent.

I agree to participate in a research project lead by [to be filled in by responsible researcher]. The purpose of this document is to detail the conditions of my participation.

A. I received adequate information about the research project. The objective of my participation has been explained clearly to me and I am aware of what this means for me.

B. My participation is entirely voluntary. No explicit or implicit pressure has been exercised on me to participate.

C. I have read and understood this form. All my questions have been answered and I am accord to the participation in this research.

D. I have received a copy of this informed consent form that has also been signed by the responsible researcher.

X. My participation means that I will be interviewed by (a) researchers by [to be filled in by responsible researcher]. The interview will take approximately x minutes. I give the researchers my consent to record this interview (audio/visual) and take written notes. It is clear to me that, in the case I do have objections with one or more points that are listed, I can terminate my participation without justification.

X. I have expressively received the guarantee of the responsible researcher that he/she ensures me that my data will not be identifiable in the published and shared results. My privacy is guaranteed as participant in this research.

X. I have been given the guarantee that this research project is reviewed and approved by the Ethics Committee of The Hague University of Applied Science. I can reach the responsible researcher if I have any objections or questions about the structure or method of the research. If this is for any reason not possible/desirable I can contact The Hague University of Applied Science via the email address research@hhs.nl

Signature participant: Signature responsible researcher

Date: Date: