DECLARATION OF ETHICS IN CONNECTION TO STUDENTS’ THESIS WORK

The supervisors and students who have signed this document have read and followed the Ethical Review Act relating to research on humans (2003:460; https://www.riksdagen.se/sv/dokument-lagar/dokument/svensk-forfattningssamling/lag-2003460-om-etikprovning-av-forskning-som_sfs-2003-460). The supervisors and students will ensure that the student’s or students’ thesis work is carried out according to the principles set out in the Ethical Review Act. This means that we will obtain written or oral consent for participation after research/survey participants have been informed of the purpose of the study, what methods will be used, any risks that participation may entail, who is responsible, as well as ensure that participants are informed that their participation is voluntary and can be discontinued at any time without this having any negative consequences, see https://etikprovningsmyndigheten.se.

We understand that the thesis work carried out within the framework of research projects approved by the Ethical Review Authority shall be carried out in line with this approval. We also understand that student-initiated projects, which do not usually undergo ethical review, should be carried out in accordance with applicable laws¹. This means that students in these cases are not allowed to collect sensitive personal data or information about crimes. In cases where students collect their own data, data collections must be carried out in Swedish or English. Supervisors must have access to and store data material (transcripts of interviews, raw data file for quantitative data) (in duplicate/copy or original) at Stockholm University at least until the thesis work is graded.

In cases where students conduct interview studies, interviewees must be carefully informed before the start of the interview about the conditions for participation (i.e. the subject area of the interview, how the data will be handled, de-identified and/or destroyed, and that the data material may be used for research purposes).

In cases where the survey cannot be carried out, if the research participants are informed in advance of its purpose, they will receive this information as soon as possible after their participation. For participants under the age of 15, we will obtain the consent of both their guardians and of themselves.

Specify what applies to the current thesis work.

The study has been approved by the Ethical Review Authority. Dnr: __________ (If yes, you do not need to answer any more questions, but remember to sign the form. Validated digital signatures are approved.)

The thesis work will:

1. process sensitive personal data under the GDPR, e.g. data on ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, trade union membership, health, sexual life or sexual orientation, genetic data, biometric data that unambiguously identifies a person, and/or data on violations of the law. Yes No

2. use a method that involves a physical intervention on the research person/survey participant. Yes No

3. use a method aimed at influencing research person/survey participant physically or psychologically. Yes No

4. may pose a risk of psychological or physical harm at least to some research person/survey participants. Yes No

5. study biological material taken from a living person which can be Yes No

¹ The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and decisions taken regarding independent work in the local department board.
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6. include recording of interviews only with audio recording, i.e., without image  Yes  No

7. include data collection in Swedish or English  Yes  No

If any of the points 1-5 have been answered with Yes, the purpose and methods of the survey shall be described in detail and submitted to the course coordinator, together with the final version of the material that will be used for the data collection (questionnaire, interview guide, trial protocol or similar), the information to participants, as well as an indication of how consent will be obtained and, where applicable, the consent form. Data collection may not begin until the material has been approved by the course coordinator.

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