Information sheet for educators and educational authorities

Adult Education as a Means to Active Participatory Citizenship (EduMAP)

EduMAP is an international research project funded by the European Union’s Horizon 2020 programme for the period 2016-2019. The project as a whole is coordinated by the University of Tampere, Finland. The aim of the project is to investigate the role of adult education to include young adults in active participatory citizenship in Europe. The project is interested in educational initiatives within and outside Europe. In addition, the project examines the effectiveness of adult education policies and practices in preventing social exclusion.

The educational initiatives will be evaluated by assessing their effectiveness, achievements and shortcomings. We are also interested in the means for communication and information and communication flows within the educational initiatives under study. For these purposes, individual and group interviews will be conducted with educational authorities, educators and participating students during the year 2017.

We would like to invite you to take part in these interviews. The interview will last for about an hour and it is confidential: your name or personal details will never be revealed. The interviews will be transcribed only in case you agree with it. In case you agree to be interviewed but decline to be recorded, the note taking will be accomplished by writing down the key points. The audio-recorded interviews will be transcribed into text files. The interview material will be carefully stored so that no outsiders except the project researchers have access to it. Any personal data that may allow identification of research participants will be removed. The transcribed text files will be archived for further use in the Finnish Social Science Data Archive. All identifying information will be removed from the archived data.

You have an option to give no answer to such interview questions which you do not want to respond. Your participation is completely voluntary and you can withdraw during the interview if you so wish, without any negative consequences. In case you decide to withdraw your consent, the researchers will proceed to permanently destroy the data provided.

The research findings will be published in scientific articles, online publications and documents delivered to policymakers. In the research reports, information on individual respondents will be presented in such a way as to make it impossible to identify them. You have the right to know any unexpected incidental research findings. If you wish so, please give your contact information to the researcher.

Your participation will be highly valuable for the research project and it will help us to better understand how educational actors could be helped to tailor educational initiatives relevant to young adults.
You can find more information on the project (and later on the research findings) from the project website: http://www.uta.fi/edumap. For further information contact:___________(contact details of a representative of the national research team).

If you do wish to take part, please complete the attached consent form. Please be assured that even if you do sign this form, you are free to withdraw from the project at any time and you do not need to give a reason for your withdrawal.

Thank you for your valuable contribution!
Consent form for educators and educational authorities

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I have been asked to participate in the above-mentioned scientific research project. I have received both written and oral information on the research and the opportunity to pose questions about it to the researchers.

I understand that participation in the research is voluntary and that I have the right to decline or withdraw my consent at any time without offering any reason. I also understand that information will be treated in confidence.

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**CONSENT FORM**

*Please tick if you agree to the following*

☐ I have read the information letter.

☐ I give consent to participate in this study

☐ I understand that participation is voluntary and I am free to withdraw at any time.

☐ I understand that I can contact [name of researchers] to discuss the study at any time.

☐ I give consent to having my interview audio recorded.

☐ I give consent to having my interview transcribed
☐ I give consent to archiving and reuse of the data

Place and date

______________________ ___. ___ . ________ _______________________ ___. ___ .

I hereby consent to participate in the research:

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Signature of interviewee

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Signature of researcher

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Name in block capitals

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