

## Research Ethics Committee at HSL

### Application for research proposal approval

If this application is related to, and differs only minimally from, a research proposal already approved by the HSL-Etics, it can be evaluated by an expedited procedure. The same applies for re-submissions in case a processed application was rejected. In this case, attach the original application, specify its reference number, and answer only the questions that receive answers different from the original one.

Are you applying for an expedited procedure or is this  
a resubmission of a previously processed application? ☐ no ☐ yes

The reference number of the original application:

1. Have you considered whether your proposal needs to be evaluated by NSD?

<https://www.nsd.no>

☐ no

☐ yes

Comments:

2. Name of the investigator (the applicant):
3. Position (student, doctoral student, faculty member, researcher, etc.):
4. Degree (PhD, DSc, etc.):
5. Name of the supervisor (if the applicant does not have a PhD):
6. Email address:
7. Date of application:
8. Date of the expected commencement of the research (if known):
9. Title of the research:
10. Aims/objectives of the research (30 words max):

11. Age range of the participants (e.g., 4 to 8 years):
12. Participant selection criteria:
13. How do you plan to recruit the participants? Attach the relevant documentation (flyers, letter to schools, etc.) if necessary:
14. Do you offer any incentive for participation?
- ☐ no
- ☐ yes
- Comments:
15. Location of the research:
16. Brief description of the proposed research (one page max):
17. What kind of equipment do you use? Attach their specification if necessary (this is not needed if they have been approved in an earlier application):
18. What kind of questionnaires, tests, interviews, etc. do you plan to employ? If these are non-standard procedures that have not yet been approved by the committee, attach a copy of them.
19. The participants or a legal representative must give free and informed consent to the procedure before their involvement. The way this is ensured depends on the age of the participant. The information must always include the participant's right to withdraw the consent. Participants/legal representatives have to be provided with information about the aim and the procedure of the research. Attach the information sheet and the consent form or describe the consent procedure.
20. Describe how you ensure that the data collected remain confidential and that the participants would not be identifiable from them (see [https://en.uit.no/research/ethics/art?p\\_document\\_id=754184](https://en.uit.no/research/ethics/art?p_document_id=754184)). It is sufficient to submit the data management plan instead of answering the question.
- ☐ Data-management plan is attached
- Description:
21. Does the procedure involve (please elaborate in case the answer is yes):

- a. unpleasant stimuli or unpleasant situations? ☐ yes ☐ no
- b. invasive procedures or eliciting pain? ☐ yes ☐ no
- c. deprivation of water, food, sleep, etc.? ☐ yes ☐ no
- d. drug administration? ☐ yes ☐ no
- e. any procedure that could harm the participant? ☐ yes ☐ no
- f. research on mental patients or at-risk individuals? ☐ yes ☐ no
- g. babies, children or adolescents (age below 18)? ☐ yes ☐ no
- h. other vulnerable groups? ☐ yes ☐ no
- i. misleading or deceiving the participants? ☐ yes ☐ no
- j. withholding information about the nature  
of the research? ☐ yes ☐ no
- k. any procedure (e.g., in-depth interviews) that  
might inadvertently cause anxiety, distress,  
or suffering to the participant? ☐ yes ☐ no

22. Answering YES to any of the above questions does not rule out the approval of the proposal.

However, if you have answered to any of the above questions YES, describe how you will ensure the participants' safety and well-being during the study.

23. Do you comply with the "Principles and Guidelines for Management of Research Data at UiT" (<https://uit.no/forskning/forskningsdata>) that, briefly summarized, state "As open as possible, as closed as necessary"?

☐ no

☐ yes

Comments:

24. Is there any further aspect of the research that you think is important for ethical consideration?

☐ no

☐ yes

Comments:

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I believe my study conforms with the expectations of ethical research and I apply for its approval.

Date:

Signature of the applicant:

I have read the application and I confirm that in my view all ethical issues have been addressed.

Date:

Signature of the supervisor:

Formal requirements:

1. Sign the application form before submitting it.
2. Merge all documents (the signed application form and the attachments) into a single PDF file.