New information and consent forms ECSS and DCC

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Why new forms?

- Previous forms too long and too hard to understand.
- No uniformity across Radboud University

- RU Workgroup with privacy, data, and ethics experts

- **More concise information and consent forms**
- **Understandable for a wider audience**
- **Part of the privacy information to website**
- **Basis for all faculties**

What is new for IC?

- Create a study-specific information and consent form for each study
- Based on a template which is available via Ethics Committee Social Sciences (ECSS) website

- All collected data presented in a table

- Part of the information - RU website
- Approval participant

  - Lab studies: name and signature
  - Online studies: press *I agree* + time stamp
- Online studies:

  - Also here study-specific forms
  - Templates for Limesurvey and JSPsych under construction, available before end of year
  - Consent no personal data, can be collected together with research data
  - After acquisition - separate consent answers from research data

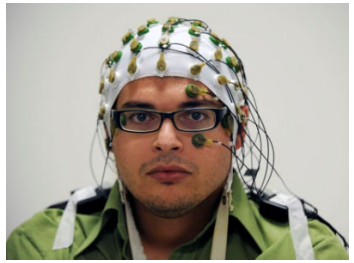
What is new for method forms?

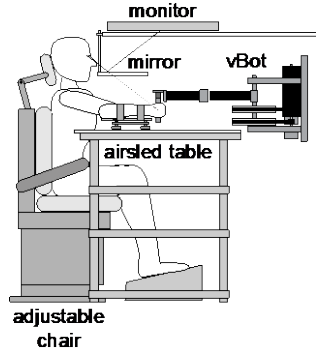
All available via ECSS website

Simplified texts

Method forms

- EEG, Sled, robot arm
- Still to be finalized TUS, MRI



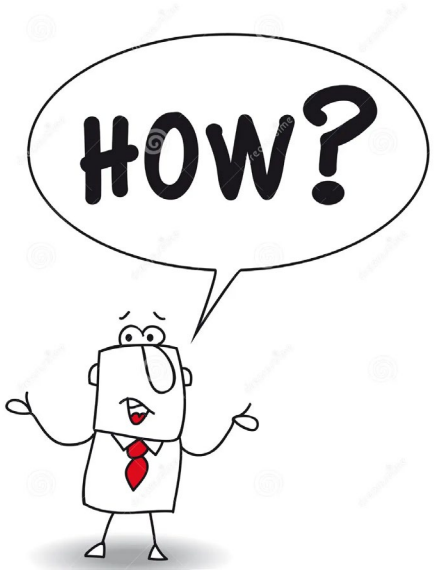


What is new for screening forms?

- All available via ECSS website
- Simplified texts
- Not always, but only screening form when important for data quality or safety
  - EEG, sled
  - still to be finalized: TUS, TMS, TES, MRI
- No screening on age anymore
- Changed protocol Adverse Events
  - In case of Adverse Event: Send mail to dcc-researchintegrity-officer@donders.ru.nl, within 24 hours
  - Note on DCC Research Admin Statement whether there have been any Adverse Events

How does it work?

- Download **ECSS informed consent template** and the **template table personal data (docx, 64 kB)**
- Generate your study specific consent forms by following the instructions within the template documents

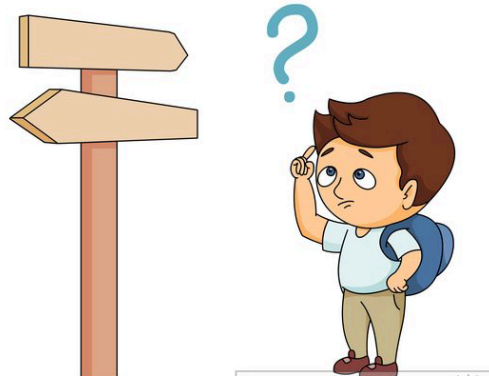


Where can I find the new templates?

ECSS informed consent template and *template table data* English or Dutch

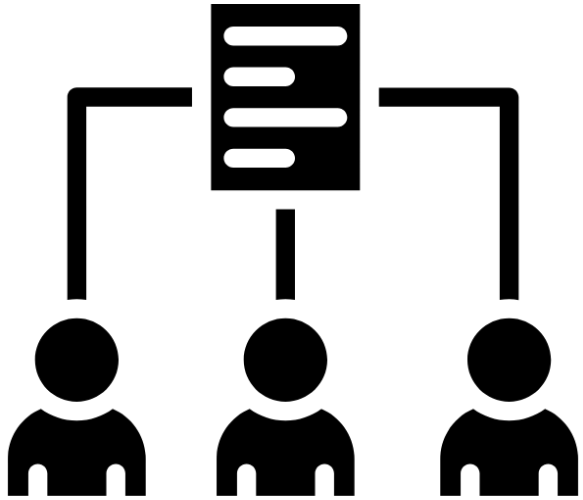
Website additional information privacy: English / Dutch

Updated DCC intranet



How to share info with SONA participants?

- Must: provide the information >24 hours before experiment
- Within SONA Participant system no attachments
- Put information document(s) on Surfdrive and create public link.
- Check out step-by-step manual on how to create a public link.
- Share this public link with your participant via the Direct Message option of SONA.



Who should start using new forms, and when?

- All research that has been or is going to be approved by Ethical Committee Social Sciences
- For ongoing research transition period. You can choose continue to work with current forms. However, when starting a new study you should use the new forms
- In case of doubt/questions, contact Miriam
- Btw, for WMO research new ‘PIF’, one with DCC instructions will be put on intranet before end of 2025.

Feedback DCC researchers

Although the new forms require a bit more study specific information, I found it useful to write the information up and believe the experiment and procedure will be clearer to participants with these forms.

A suggestion would be to make some sample forms available. This would make the "administrative hurdle" even less.

I'm very happy with the new forms. Adapting them to our experiment took us a couple of hours at most. My information brochure went from ~10 pages to 2 pages. This is much clearer for both the participant and the researchers!

QUESTIONS?