

INTERVIEW PARTICIPANT INFORMATION SHEET

Title of study: QUEST - QUALity and Effectiveness in Science and Technology communication, grant agreement no. 824634; *Task 5.4 Stakeholder engagement and mutual learning events; Task 4.3 Policies and Incentives for Science Communication*

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We would like to invite you to take part in a research study. Before you decide whether you would like to take part it is important that you understand why the research is being done and what it would involve for you. Please take time to read the following information carefully and discuss it with others if you wish. Ask us if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information.

What is the purpose of the study?

The study is part of H2020 QUEST project's activities. In particular, it concerns research activities related to the development of toolkits to improve science communication quality and effectiveness. Aim of this activity is the identification of needs and perspectives of science communication actors' through interviews or involvement in co-creation activities.

Why have I been invited?

You have been selected as stakeholder in science communication.

Do I have to take part?

Your involvement is on voluntary basis and you can withdraw at any stage or avoid answering questions if you prefer to. This will not affect any further treatment or penalize you.

It is up to you to decide whether or not to take part. If you do decide to take part, you will be asked to sign a consent form. If you decide to take part, you are still free to withdraw at any time and without giving a reason.

What will happen if I take part?

- You will be involved for a short interview (half hour max)
- You will meet the researcher for the interview at the Newsroom Summit in Oslo, on November 5-6 2019
- You may be further contacted after the interview for additional clarifications

The QUEST project and its research study will last from February 1, 2019 to January 31, 2021

What do I have to do?

You will be interviewed for short time about your experience as editor with particular focus on the existing policies and incentives for science communication.

What are the possible disadvantages and risks of taking part?

No particular risks or disadvantages are foreseen by the participation to this activity.

What are the possible benefits of taking part?

Participation to this activity will contribute to increase knowledge about science communication, with a main focus on the aspect of quality and effectiveness and establish a link with project's consortium.

What will happen when the research study stops?

All information collected will be anonymised and made openly available only in aggregated and anonymised form.

The data will be stored in digital form protected by pw at the VIU facilities and used for research purpose. Processed data might survive the project, as it may become part of publications and other dissemination activities.

Will my taking part in the study be kept confidential?

- QUEST consortium will have access to the workshop materials (after anonymising the data)
- Personal data will be used only in case of consensus for keeping you updated with the QUEST project activities. In that case the personal data will be stored in an excel file protected by pw on the QUEST project coordinator (Venice International University) server and made available only to the partners of the project. After 10 years, the personal data will be deleted.



What should I do if I want to take part?

You agree on the interview by signing the consent form after agreement with Venice International University as task responsible.

What will happen to results of the research study?

Results of the research study will contribute to a public report on Recommendation and Policies and Incentives for Quality Science Communication, and anonymity will be maintained. Participants may receive a copy of the report upon request. Furthermore, upon agreement with the participant, some interviews will be published in a news on QUEST blog (without anonymization).

What will happen if I do not want to carry on with the study?

Participants are free to withdraw from the study at any stage of the project without being penalised or disadvantaged in any way.

Who has reviewed the study?

This study has been approved by QUEST Project Management Board.

Further information and contact details

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Data Protection Privacy Notice: What are my rights under the data protection legislation?

VIU is the data controller for the personal data collected for this research activity. Your personal data will be processed for the purposes outlined in this notice. The legal basis for processing your personal data will be that this research is a task in the public interest, that is QUEST considers the lawful basis for processing personal data to fall under Article 6(1)(e) of GDPR (public task) as the processing of research participant data is necessary for research purposes and all research with human participants by staff has to be scrutinised and approved by VIU data controller.

The rights you have under the data protection legislation are listed below, but not all of the rights will be apply to the personal data collected in each research project.

- right to be informed
- right of access
- right to rectification
- right to erasure
- right to restrict processing
- right to object to data processing
- right to data portability
- right to object
- rights in relation to automated decision making and profiling

You have the right to access, correct, object to, and erase your data and you can restrict the processing and transfer of your data, as granted in GDPR Article 15 - 22. You can also withdraw your consent at any time according to GDPR Article 6(1) and Article 9(2) without any consequences. If requested, your local supervisory authority will provide you information on exercising your right according to Article 57(e) GDPR.

For more information, please visit <https://questproject.eu/privacy-policy/> or contact alessandra.fornetti@univiu.org

What if I have concerns about how my personal data will be used after I have participated in the research?

In the first instance you should raise any concerns with the research team, but if you are dissatisfied with the response, you may contact alessandra.fornetti@univiu.org, who will answer your query.



What if there is a problem?

If you have any problems, concerns or questions about this study, you should ask to speak to a member of the research team. If you remain unhappy and wish to complain formally, you can do this through *QUEST* complaints procedure. To complain about the study, you need to write alessandra.fornetti@univiu.org.

Thank you for taking the time to read this information sheet.

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