

We would like to hear your views on information security

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for agreeing to participate in this research on information security. Every response is valuable and will contribute towards improving the quality of research in the future in the field of information security. You are free to withdraw at any point.

Your participation is entirely voluntary and by clicking the *next* button you will consent to take part. This is a survey for employees in the field of information security, software development, quality assurance etc. (people working in IT industry in general). The survey consists of three parts; pre-survey, main task and post-survey. For a fully completed survey you will be rewarded with the compensation as listed on the Prolific platform. It is important that you follow our instructions in full. We follow good research practices (such as The European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity) when handling data. Your responses will be analysed alongside of other responses to produce aggregate results. Additionally, in line with the open access movement, we will make a fully anonymised data publicly available in one of the data repositories for use for research purposes. No identifying information will be contained in this dataset.

We do not collect any personally identifiable data in the context of the survey that could put your privacy at risk. You can withdraw from the study at any point without having to give a reason. Withdrawing from the study will have no effect on you. If you withdraw from the study we will not retain the information you have given thus far, unless you are happy for us to do so.

Therefore, by clicking "Next page", you confirm that:

- 1. you are at least 18 years of age.
- you read this consent form and received sufficient information about this study.
- 3. you have understood correctly what the participation involves.
- 4. you understand that your participation is fully voluntary, and that you are able to withdraw from this research at any time, and without any reason.
- 5. you exempt the University of Ljubljana from any responsibility on potential negative consequences to your health following your participation in this online survey.
- 6. you understand that your data will be processed anonymously, and that these anonymised data will be archived at the end of the project in a public data repository.
- 7. you grant permission for the data generated from this survey to be used in the research team's publications on this topic.
- 8. you agree to participate in this research study.

If you have questions, concerns or complaints at any time about the study or the procedures, you may contact the researcher, assist. Damjan Fujs via email at damjan.fujs@fri.uni-lj.si.

With best wishes.

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