

USER TESTING CONSENT FORM

Thank you for taking part in our research.

This consent form will help you to understand the purposes of our research. It also outlines how we will use the data that results from your participation.

Information

Why we are we doing research?

Who are we?

We, Year 2 Computer Science students (Team 15), are carrying out this research as part of our COMP2003 Group Project Module at the University of Plymouth.

The group consists of the following members:

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Sophia Krasowski - [sophia.krasowski@students.plymouth.ac.uk]

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What are the aims of the research we are doing?

This project is for Plymouth City College and aims to build a Network Traffic Profiler Dashboard for SMEs (non-technical users).

The system will analyse PCAP files (network traffic records) to help users understand network activity and detect anomalies.

Your participation

What research/testing will you be taking part in?

You will take part in user testing by, performing specific tasks using the dashboard and sharing your experience and opinions

How will we be capturing your contributions to our research/testing?

We may collect:

- Observational notes
- Screen recordings of your interaction with the dashboard
- Optional audio recordings
- Photos of the testing session
- Post-test survey responses

What if you don't want to take part anymore?

You may withdraw from the research at any time without giving a reason. To withdraw, inform any team member (Amelia, Tim, Sophia, or Tomiris). **Any data already collected from you will not be used.**

How we will use this research

<i>What will we use the results of the research/testing for?</i>	To improve the design, usability, and functionality of the dashboard so it meets the needs of the target users of this project
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<i>Will we share the results of the research/testing with anyone else?</i>
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Results will only be shared with:
• Assignment assessors
• Client (Plymouth City College)
• Project team members

This may include quotes, observations, survey data as well as recording used as evidence in the assignment.

Your Data

<i>Where will we store the data captured during the research/testing?</i>

Data will be stored in team members' devices such as phone, tablets and computers and on Google drive, Outlook and GitHub.

<i>How long will we store the data for?</i>

Data will be stored for **12 months** after the project is completed, after which it will be securely deleted.

<i>How can you ask for your data to be deleted?</i>

You can request deletion by contacting any of the project team members respectively.

- Amelia Lee [sze.y.lee@students.plymouth.ac.uk]
- Timothy Birtles [timothy.birtles@students.plymouth.ac.uk]
- Sophia Krasowski [sophia.krasowski@students.plymouth.ac.uk]
- Tomiris Ashim [tomiris.ashim@students.plymouth.ac.uk]

Your data will be permanently removed from all storage systems.

<i>How can you ask for a copy of your data?</i>

You can request a copy of your data by emailing any of the project team members. A copy of your data contribution will be provided within **7 working days**.

The personal data you provide will only be used as outlined in this form.

Declaration

Who to return this form to and how?

Please return the completed form to any of the team members:

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Who to contact if you have any questions about the research?

For questions, please contact any of the team members.

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Making notes and recordings

Please tick to confirm you agree with each of these.

I consent to Team 15 using the notes from this session for the purposes of the research and testing outlined above.

I consent to Team 15 recording the session and using that recording for the purposes of the research and testing outlined above.

I consent to Team 15 using and sharing anonymised quotes for the purposes of the research outlined above and related publicity of the project.

I consent to keep this research experience private. (*This means not discussing it in person or in writing including on social media.*)

The following things must remain confidential:

- 1. Any screenshots or recordings showing your interactions**
- 2. Specific task performance or errors you made during testing**

Declaration

Your name:

Date:

Signature: