**INFORMED CONSENT FORM – TEMPLATE**

<CUSTOMIZE FOR YOUR RESEARCH PROJECT USING THE FIELDS IN YELLOW>

Title of the study:

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***GENERAL CONSENT ELEMENTS:***

\*I have been informed about the research and my participation through a separate information letter. I have been given the opportunity to ask questions. I have received satisfactory answers to my questions.

YES  NO

\*I am participating in this research freely. I have not been forced, explicitly or implicitly, to participate. I understand that I can decline to participate and withdraw at any time, without any negative consequences, and without needing to provide any explanation.

YES  NO

***CONSENT ELEMENTS SPECIFIC TO THIS RESEARCH PROJECT:***

\*I give permission for the data, that will be collected from me during the research, to be treated (collected, analyzed, stored) as explained in the information letter [[1]](#endnote-1).

Specifically, I agree to *these kinds of data* being collected: <RESEARCHER SPECIFIES MAIN DATA TYPES HERE>.

YES  NO

\*I agree to participate in *the following research methods*: <RESEARCHER SPECIFIES MAIN METHODS HERE>.

YES  NO

\*I give permission for the researchers who are involved in the research project to access and process my data, under the controlled conditions as specified in the information letter.

YES  NO

\*I understand that (**anonymized**) results from this research project will be used for publications and reports. <INCLUDE IF APPLICABLE: These results may include quotes from interviews>. Any information that can lead to the identification of a participant will be removed or obscured.

YES  NO

**BY SIGNING THIS FORM, I AGREE TO EVERYTHING AS STATED ABOVE**

NAME PARTICIPANT

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SIGNATURE PARTICIPANT

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<ONLY INCLUDE IF PARTICIPANT IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE LEGAL CONSENT HIM/HERSELF [[2]](#endnote-2)>

NAME PARENT / GUARDIAN / LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE

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RELATION TO PARTICIPANT

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***THE STATEMENT BELOW NEEDS TO BE FILLED OUT BY THE RESEARCHER***

I have provided the participant with a truthful and complete information letter about the research. I have provided additional explanation about the research and/or the contents of the information letter on request. The participant will not be impacted in any negative way whatsoever if s/he decides to withdraw from the research.

☐ YES ☐ NO

NAME LEAD RESEARCHER

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SIGNATURE LEAD RESEARCHER

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1. Research conducted by employees of *Breda University of Applied Sciences* is in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) of the European Union (<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/679/oj>) and the Netherlands Code of Conduct for Research Integrity (2018; <https://doi.org/10.17026/dans-2cj-nvwu>). [↑](#endnote-ref-1)
2. From 16 years of age, for all mentally and legally competent participants, consent for approved research is only obtained from the participant. For some types of research it may nevertheless be good practice to inform the parents or legal guardian/representatives.

   In case of minors between 12 and 16 years of age, informed consent is obtained from both the minor and the parent(s) or legal guardian/representative(s). N.B. This is all IF the research is deemed appropriate, because in principle, scientific research for this group is severely restricted, and is generally subject to a ‘no, unless’-policy. See also <https://english.ccmo.nl/investigators/additional-requirements-for-certain-types-of-research/research-with-subjects-under-the-age-of-16-years>

   In case of minors under 12 years of age, informed consent is obtained from the parent(s) or legal guardian/ representative(s). It is good practice to also ask the child where possible. N.B. This is all IF the research is deemed appropriate, because in principle, scientific research for this group is severely restricted, and is generally subject to a ‘no, unless’-policy. See also <https://english.ccmo.nl/investigators/additional-requirements-for-certain-types-of-research/research-with-subjects-under-the-age-of-16-years> [↑](#endnote-ref-2)