

## **PARTICIPATION CONSENT FORM**

You are invited to closely read the following information before deciding whether or not to participate in a transportation study conducted on the Itinerum™ platform. Take as much time as you need and consult other people if necessary.

Itinerum™ is an application developed as part of a research project between Concordia University and the survey administrator. Its use is governed by Concordia University's ethics guidelines.

### **A. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this research project is to collect and analyze travel behaviour data with smartphones. The survey administrator and researchers at Concordia University will use travel behavioural data (origin and destination of trips, number of trips, transportation modes, etc.) to better understand behaviour. Reports showing anonymous, aggregate data will be used in conferences, publications or on the Internet.

### **B. PROCEDURES**

- Participation in this survey will be done through my iPhone by using the Itinerum app.
- I will be asked a few questions regarding socio-demographic information about me and my household.
- The duration of the survey will vary but you can cancel your participation at any time.
- During my participation in the survey, locational information will be collected automatically and transmitted and recorded securely on servers hosted in Canada and administered by Professor Zachary Patterson of Concordia University.
- Should the survey administrator offer a draw for prizes, the terms of this draw will be spelled out within the survey information page of the app. (Apple is also not involved in any way with any possible prize draw.)
- Raw data collected as part of this survey will only be used in line with the purpose of this project. Raw data will only be available to researchers of the survey administrator and in Zachary Patterson's TRIP Laboratory, subject to the *Act respecting Access to documents held by public bodies and the Protection of personal information* (chapter A-2.1) in the Province of Québec, Canada.
- The privacy of data collected will be respected and the information that could reveal the identity of participants, directly or indirectly, will not be disseminated.

### **C. RISKS**

Participation in this survey represents no known or foreseeable risk to me.

### **D. BENEFITS**

Transportation behavioural data (trips origins and destinations, number of trips, transport modes, etc.) will allow the estimation of transportation demand and planning of the transportation system, representing thus a possible benefit to society.

In addition, the survey administrator may offer participants a draw for prizes. Please verify the survey information page in the app for further details. (Apple is also not involved in any way with any possible prize draw.)

## **E. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION**

- I understand that I must be 18 years of age or older to participate in this study.
- I understand that my participation is entirely voluntary and that I am free to withdraw my consent and discontinue my participation at any time (by deleting the Itinerum™ app ) without negative consequences.
- I understand that should I withdraw from the study, any data collected up until my withdrawal will remain as part of the survey database with the survey administrator and Concordia University.
- I understand that my participation in this study is anonymous (i.e., researchers will not know my identity)
- I understand that the results from analysis of this data may be published, but will not be presented in such a way that my identity could be revealed.

## **F. DECLARATION OF CONSENT**

By pressing the button below, I confirm that I have attentively read and understood the above consent and the information presented, and I attest to the fact that my consent is informed, that all of my questions have been answered to my satisfaction and that I have had sufficient time to decide whether I want to participate in this study. I freely and voluntarily consent to participate in this study.

I ACCEPT THESE CONDITIONS (mandatory to participate in the study)

If at any time you have questions or comments about the proposed research or this study, please send an email to: [itinerum@concordia.ca](mailto:itinerum@concordia.ca)