

Statement of Informed Consent

1. This is an invitation to participate in the “An engine for Universal Digital Games” research.
2. You invited for a software evaluation. Your participation is voluntary; it is not mandatory to participate.

This evaluation is part of a nonprofit research project. The projects aims to offer a game engine that contributes to the development of Universally-Accessible Games (UA-Games), *i.e.*, games that allows users with different interaction abilities and capabilities to play.

In the proposed activity, we wish to evaluate the approaches chosen to help implementing a UA-Game. We hope to gather feedback about the viability, effectiveness and utility of the engine and its approaches to game developers.

3. This evaluation includes collecting data from forms; training from the documentation; and the implementation of a game prototype. This material is available within an evaluation kit, containing the documentation, the engine source code and an initial project to the game implementation.

The source code includes the game engine and a game prototype using the engine’s approaches. The engine uses different approaches to create a game for publics with different interaction abilities. The approaches aim to reduce changing input-output (IO) free features (such as game rules and some mechanics) and to help specializing the IO for the different publics.

4. Your participation in this activity is voluntary and anonymous. You may quit the activity or withdraw your consent at any time. Shall you decline the participation, your decision will not prejudice the involved researches or the institution the researches are affiliated to.

You may perform the activities at the most convenient time and place for yourself. The activities should be submitted within the deadline. You may, at any moment, contact the researcher via email.

Your participation might cause discomforts due to the required time to perform the evaluation. You may choose to refuse the participation or to interrupt your participation at any time.

5. Your participation in this activity has philanthropic benefits. The benefits include improving the game engine and the development of new UA-Games.

6. You will have access to the result of this research through scientific conferences papers and through the research group website: <<http://lifes.dc.ufscar.br>>.
7. You may withdraw from the participation and your consent at any time.
8. Shall you decline the participation, your decision will not prejudice the involved researches or the institution the researches are affiliated to.
9. The results of the project will be public. The data gathered from your participation is anonymous. The resulting game engine is open source.
10. The research does not provide any financial compensation to the research subjects.
11. This copy of the statement contains the email of the researchers. You may ask any questions about the project and your participation on this evaluation at this or any other moment.

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