

Information Sheet for Participants

Title of Project: **Social Decision-Making**

We would like to invite you to participate in this research project which is about social decision making.

The experiment lasts approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes. You will be asked to do the following:

- 1) Observing distribution games between anonymous and varying pairs of players. They are playing for money and in real time via an online service. In each game, one online player (B) will initially get an amount of money. Subsequently, the other online player (A) will decide how much to take from this amount for him/herself. B has to accept A's decision.
- 2) Following the outcome of each of these games you will have the opportunity to act by changing the monetary pay-off of A.
- 3) In some games you will be asked additionally (1.) to rate your feelings about A's decisions and (2.) to rate your feelings about your decisions.
- 4) Answer some questionnaires about demographics, the task, moral foundations, social values, and how you have been feeling in the past few days.

This study has been approved by the UCL Research Ethics Committee as Project ID Number: **fMRI/2012/001**

Investigators

Name, Address and Contact Details of Investigators:

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Subject Cost/Payment for Participation

We will reimburse you £12 for your time. This will be paid at the end of the session.

Subject Rights and Study Withdrawal

You should only participate if you want to; choosing not to take part will not disadvantage you in any way and you won't incur any penalties or lose any benefits to which you might have been entitled. Before you decide whether you want to take part, please read this information sheet carefully and discuss it with others if you wish. Ask us if there is anything that is not clear or you would like more information. If you agree to take part, please fill in the attached consent form. After signing this consent form and agreeing to take part, you can still withdraw at any time and without giving a reason.

Confidentiality

The proposed research is not expected to generate commercially exploitable results.

All data will be collected and stored in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. Some personal details (name and address) will be passed to UCL Finance for administration purposes. The following information may also be obtained directly: Gender, Date of Birth, Level of Education, Income 2014, Beck Depression Inventory Score, Moral Foundations Score, and Social Values Orientation Score. **If you would prefer that this information not be disclosed, please inform us of this before signing the consent form.**

A code will be attached to the data so it remains anonymous. You will not be identifiable in the write up or any other publication or talk which may result from this study.

Informed Consent Form

(This form is to be completed by the participant after reading the Information Sheet and/or having listened to an explanation about the research.)

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Name of Researchers: Tali Sharot, Philipp Czech

This study has been approved by the Department of Psychological Sciences Ethics Committee at University College London, University of London.

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Participant's Statement

I

agree that I have

- read the information sheet and/or the project has been explained to me orally;
- had the opportunity to ask questions and discuss the study;
- received satisfactory answers to all my questions or have been advised of an individual to contact for answers to pertinent questions about the research and my rights as a participant and whom to contact in the event of a research-related injury.
- I understand the sensitive nature of the information that will be presented during the study.
- I understand that relevant sections of data collected during the study, may be looked at by individuals from the sponsor of the trial (University College London) and responsible persons authorised by the sponsor, where it is relevant to my taking part in this research. I give permission for these individuals to have access to this information.

I agree to take part in the above study. I understand that I am free to withdraw from the study without giving any reason if I so wish and I consent to the processing of my personal information for the purposes of this study only and that it will not be used for any other purpose. I understand that such information will be treated as strictly confidential and handled in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998.

Signed:

Date:

Investigator's Statement

I

confirm that I have carefully explained the purpose of the study to the participant and outlined any reasonably foreseeable risks or benefits (where applicable).

Signed:

Date: