

***SWEN422 – Final Group Project – Develop a HCI***

**INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

You are invited to take part in this research. Please read this information before deciding whether or not to take part. If you decide to participate, thank you. If you decide not to participate, thank you for considering this request.

**Who are we?**

Sean Stevenson, Celine Young, Leyton Blackler, Finn Welsford-Ackroyd, Rhaz Solomon, Ana Ramirez. We are all Software Engineering students at Victoria University of Wellington. The user testing is work towards our SWEN422 Final Group Project for developing a HCI.

**What is the aim of the project?**

The project aims to develop a human computer interaction using data from the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals by using a mixture of voice gestures and touch gestures. We hope that our project will result in a visualisation that displays the relevant data clearly and is able to be interacted with in an easy yet creative way.

**How can you help?**

You have been invited to participate because the user testing aims to gather data from a range of people about how they interact with our product and from here hope to be able to draw conclusions about our strengths and weaknesses of our implementation. Your participation in the user testing will help paint an illustration for how the project is tracking as far as usability is concerned as well as giving feedback on the overall experience of the visualisation. If you agree to take part, you will take part in user testing for the project. The user testing will ask provide you will scenarios and tasks to complete which we will observe how easy you find it to complete these tasks. The user testing will take you around 10 minutes to complete. You can withdraw from the study by contacting us at any time before the 19th of October, 2019. If you withdraw, the information you provided will be destroyed.

**What will happen to the information you give?**

This research is not confidential. This means that your identifiable information may be used in the final submission of the project in the researcher’s individual reports or in the submission of the total user testing evaluation.

**What will the project produce?**

The information from this user testing will be used in the researcher’s final group project in order to paint an illustration of how the project is tracking for overall visualisation usability and hopes to highlight areas that need refinement. Through the feedback you provide, we hope to result in a polished visualisation displaying data from the UN’s Sustainable Development Goals. Each researcher will also produce an individual report, with some of the content of these reports likely including some of the findings from the user testing.

**If you accept this invitation, what are your rights as a research participant?**

You do not have to accept this invitation if you don’t want to. If you do decide to participate,

you have the right to:

* Withdraw from the user testing before 19th October 2019;
* Ask any questions about the study at any time via email or by talking to the researchers in person

**If you have any questions or problems, who can you contact?**

If you have any questions, either now or in the future, please feel free to contact either:

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**Human Ethics Committee information**

If you have any concerns about the ethical conduct of the research you may contact the Victoria University HEC Convenor: Dr Judith Loveridge. Email [hec@vuw.ac.nz](mailto:susan.corbett@vuw.ac.nz) or telephone +64-4-463 6028.