

Information for research participants

We would like to ask you if you would like to take part in a research project. This document provides you with information about the project and what it means to participate.

What is the project and why do you want me to participate?

The research project is a collaboration between Uppsala Municipality and Uppsala University. The aim is to investigate immigrants' perceptions of the benefits of learning Swedish and how these perceptions are affected by economic and social events in their lives in Sweden. The study will also form the basis for new research on integration in Sweden. You have been asked because you have enrolled in SFI courses in Uppsala municipality. The research principal for the project is Uppsala University. The principal investigator is the organisation responsible for the study.

How does the study work?

As a participant in the research project, you will receive two surveys from Uppsala University sent to you by e-mail or telephone. The surveys are answered online and each survey takes about 20-30 minutes to complete. The surveys contain questions about how you use your time, your perceptions of how long it might take to learn Swedish, the advantages in the labour market of knowing Swedish, and how long you will stay in Sweden, as well as questions about your current level of Swedish. You will have the opportunity to answer the first questionnaire at your SFI school, the second questionnaire will be sent out 12 months after the first questionnaire.

What happens to my data?

The project will collect and record information about you.

In addition to surveys, register data with information on e.g. residence, family status, employment, income, use of social security schemes, education, country of birth, country of citizenship, and reason for residence will be collected from Statistics Sweden (SCB). These data will be used to analyse how immigrants' beliefs are affected by personal economic and social events. All personal data will be removed before the material is analysed and no individual can be identified by the researchers. SCB will have access to your personal data for a limited period necessary to ensure the quality of the research, but until no later than 31 December 2034. Uppsala University processes personal data in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). According to Article 6 of the GDPR, the legal basis for processing your

personal data is public interest. Your answers and results will be processed in such a way that they cannot be accessed by unauthorised persons.

Uppsala University is the controller of your personal data. Under the EU's General Data Protection Regulation, you have the right to access, free of charge, the data about you that is processed in the study, and to have any errors corrected if necessary. You can also request that data about you be deleted and that the processing of your personal data be restricted. When the data is necessary for the research being conducted, the right to erasure and to restriction of processing of personal data is restricted.

If you wish to access the data, please contact the person responsible for the study (see below). The Data Protection Officer can be reached at dataskyddsbud@uu.se. If you are dissatisfied with the way your personal data is processed, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Authority, which is the supervisory authority.

How can I be informed about the results of the study?

If you wish to receive your individual data or the results of the study as a whole, please contact the person responsible for the study (see below).

Participation is voluntary

Your participation is voluntary and you can choose to withdraw at any time. If you choose not to participate or wish to withdraw, you do not need to give a reason. If you wish to withdraw, please contact the person in charge of the study (see below).

Person in charge of the study

The person in charge of the study is Sébastien Willis, Institute for Housing and Urban Research, Uppsala University, sebastien.willis@ibf.uu.se.