

## DATA PROTECTION NOTIFICATION CONCERNING RESEARCH FOR STUDY PARTICIPANTS

### Thesis seminar 2023–2024

*Participation in the study is voluntary, and the participant is not obliged to provide any information. Participation can be terminated by the participant.*

### NAME, NATURE AND DURATION OF THE STUDY

Name: Thesis seminar work

Thesis seminar essays at the University of Turku Degree Programme in Digital Culture, Landscape and Cultural Heritage are carried out in the subjects of culture, cultural heritage research and landscape studies during the academic year 2023–2024. These studies are conducted by students taking the course with PhD, Docent Riikka Turtiainen, PhD, Docent Riina Haanpää and MA Eeva Raike as thesis instructors.

The thesis work will be carried out in two stages.

- In the first stage, students collect material using methods of their choice (autumn and spring term 2023–2024).
- In the second stage, students analyse the material they have collected and create their theses based on the results. These theses will be checked by the instructors during spring term 2024.

### THE BASIS FOR PROCESSING PERSONAL DATA

EU General Data Protection Regulation, article 6 paragraph 1

**Participant's consent**

### PARTIES RESPONSIBLE FOR RESEARCH

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## **RESEARCH PROCESS IN PRACTICE AND COLLECTED PERSONAL DATA**

The studies are carried out by doing interviews, making observations, conducting online surveys and issuing theme writing requests. Interviews are recorded with the participant's consent.

Grounds for processing: the research material is processed based on the mission of universities set out in Section 2 of the Universities Act (558/2007) and in the name of subsequent public interest.

The following information is collected from study participants: name, age, voice recording, notes on the interview and observations, survey responses and theme writing texts. Personal data is destroyed when it is no longer necessary.

Research material does not include information about specific categories of personal data (racial or ethnic origin, political views, religious or philosophical beliefs, trade union membership, health data, sexual orientation or behaviour, genetic or biometric data that can be used to identify a person). Interviews are saved as digital audio files.

In the study, your data will not be transferred outside the EU/EEA.

## **POTENTIAL BENEFIT FROM AND HARM CAUSED BY THE STUDY TO THE PARTICIPANT**

The studies do not cause any harm to the participants.

## **PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA**

The data and research results collected in the study are treated confidentially as required by data protection legislation. The material is anonymised; however, some of your data can be identified in the research results, reports or publications related to the study. Sensitive data is not collected and archived.

## **RESEARCH RESULTS**

The research will produce thesis seminar essays and review articles that may be published. Thesis seminar essays are stored in the collections of the Degree Programme in Digital Culture, Landscape and Cultural Heritage.

## **PARTICIPANTS' RIGHTS AND EXCEPTIONS TO THESE RIGHTS**

You have the right to withdraw your consent when the processing of personal data is based on

consent. If you withdraw your consent, your data will no longer be used in the study.

#### Right to access (GDPR Article 15)

You have the right to be informed whether your personal data is being processed and which of your personal data is being processed. You can also request a copy of the personal data that is being processed.

#### Right to rectification (GDPR Article 16)

If there are inaccuracies or errors in your personal data that is being processed, you have the right to request that information is corrected or added.

#### Right to erasure (GDPR Article 17)

You have the right to request the erasure of your personal data in the following cases:

- The personal data is no longer necessary in relation to the purposes for which it was collected or otherwise processed, you withdraw the consent on which the processing was based, and where there is no other legal ground for the processing, you object to the processing (see description of the right to object below) and there are no legitimate grounds for the processing, the personal data has been unlawfully processed, or the personal data has to be erased for compliance with a legal obligation in Union or Member State law to which the controller is subject.
- However, the right to erasure does not apply if the erasure renders impossible or severely impairs the purpose of the processing in scientific research.

#### Right to restriction of processing (GDPR Article 18)

You have the right to restrict the processing of your personal data if you contest the accuracy of your personal data, in which case the processing is restricted for a period during which the University of Turku can verify the accuracy of your personal data, the processing is unlawful and opposes the erasure of your personal data and you request the restriction of its use instead, the University of Turku no longer needs your personal data for the purposes of the processing but you require it for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims, you have objected to processing (see information below) pending the verification whether the legitimate grounds of the controller override those of the data subject.

#### Right to object (GDPR Article 21)

- You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data if the processing is based on a public interest or a legitimate interest. In this case, the University of Turku may no longer process your personal data unless it demonstrates compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override the interests, rights and freedoms of the data subject or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims. The University of Turku may also continue processing your personal data when it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out for reasons of public interest.

#### Exceptions to rights

In certain individual cases, the rights described in this section may be deviated from on the grounds laid down in the General Data Protection Regulation and in the Finnish Data Protection Act insofar as the rights hinder or severely hamper achieving the purposes of scientific or historical research or statistics. The need to deviate from these rights is always assessed on a case-by-case basis.

#### Profiling and automated decision-making

In the study, your personal data will not be used for automated decision-making. In the study, the purpose of processing personal data is not to assess your personal characteristics (i.e. profiling), but to assess your personal data and properties from the perspective of wider scientific research.

The participant has the right to file a complaint with the Office of the Data Protection Ombudsman if the participant finds that the processing of personal data concerning him or her has violated current data protection legislation. Read more at <http://www.tietosuoja.fi/en>.

The study does not deviate from the rights of the research subject laid out in data protection legislation.

#### **STORAGE AND ARCHIVING OF PERSONAL INFORMATION**

When conducting the study, research data is stored in accordance with the data security practices of University of Turku concerning the processing of research data. The material will not be made available to third parties. A completed thesis based on the study will be completed in the spring of 2024. After this time, processing ends and the personal data is destroyed.