**Grand Challenges Information Sheet - Children’s version**

**For school based activities with children under 16 years of age**

Thank you for your interest in participating in this research.

This research is being carried out by students as part of our Grand Challenges programme at the University of Exeter. The Grand Challenges programme is designed to provide undergraduate students at the University of Exeter with the opportunity to work in interdisciplinary research groups. Students work with our top academics along with inspirational word leading experts to produce solutions and ideas to address some of the key challenges of our time. Each group of students produces an output that is presented to other students at the end of the week. In the past, students have created a variety of outputs including presentations, posters, policy documents, videos and social media campaigns. Quotes and statistics collected as part of this research may be included in the students’ final output.

The global challenges students are working on in 2019 are climate change, global security, mental health, food for thought, gender inequality and environmental harm. The activity that you are participating in relates to the following theme: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Details of the specific research you are taking part in are in the box below:

*Please complete this section in language that is understandable to and age-appropriate for the children taking part*

* Your child’s participation is voluntary and they are completely free to choose not to participate without giving a reason
* Other than signatures on the consent form(s) their personal data will not be recorded and we will ensure that their participation remains confidential. We will also ensure that the information they provide will remain anonymous, except where you have given explicit consent for your child to be recorded, filmed or photographed and completed the additional ‘University of Exeter Consent Form for interview/film/video recording/photography’. The University processes personal data for research and education in the public interest.
* Their responses will be used for the purpose of the Grand Challenges programme and **may** be used to develop future academic teaching, shape interventions or become part of commercial developments.
* We do not believe there are any risks associated with them taking part in Grand Challenges and hope that it will be an enjoyable experience for your child, but if they become uncomfortable answering any questions or participating in any activity, please remember that participation is voluntary, and they may refuse to answer particular questions or stop their involvement in this research at any time without having to give a reason and ask for any recordings/photos to be deleted. Written information (questionnaires/surveys) will be anonymous and therefore cannot be re-identified for deletion once completed and collated.
* Any concerns about this research can be addressed to Gail Seymour, Research Ethics and Governance Manager ([g.m.seymour@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:g.m.seymour@exeter.ac.uk), 01392 726621). Additionally you may wish to contact Anka Djordjevic, Grand Challenges Project Manager ([a.djordjevic@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:a.djordjevic@exeter.ac.uk)) or the academic supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (*email*)

**Thank you for your interest**

Further information about Grand Challenges can be found at: <https://www.exeter.ac.uk/grandchallenges/>

The University‘s data protection information can be found here <http://www.exeter.ac.uk/dataprotection/>

And the ways in which your data may be usedby the University: <http://www.exeter.ac.uk/privacy/research/>

**Grand Challenges Consent Form**

**Please initial the boxes**

* I confirm that I have read and understand the Grand Challenges information sheet v1.0

Dated 16th April 2019 for the above study

* I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had

these answered satisfactorily

* I understand that my child’s participation is voluntary and that they are free to

withdraw at any time without giving any reason

* I understand that data collected during the project may be looked at by individuals

from the University of Exeter and participating organisations where it is relevant to

them taking part in this project

* I understand that my child or I may request any audio/video/photographs to be deleted or

made anonymous (e.g blurring) but written data cannot, once completed, be identified

and therefore cannot be deleted

* I agree that their data **may** be used to develop future academic teaching,

shape interventions or become part of commercial developments

**Thank you!**

**Signatures:**

Parent/Guardian Child Participant

I agree that my child can take part in the above study I agree to take part in the above study

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Researcher

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Date………………………………………………………….

(2 copies – one to be kept by adult/participant and one to be kept by academic supervisor)