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Here is an outline of the information you should consider including on a 'Focus group Consent' form. This template is not prescriptive and it is provided to act only as a guide for your research project requirements.

## Focus Group Consent Form

Research project title:

Research investigator:

- I agree to participate in the (name of focus group) carried out by (name of researcher) of the University of Edinburgh, to aid with the research of (name research project).
- I have read the information sheet related to the (name the research project) and understand the aims of the project.
- I am aware of the topics to be discussed in the focus group.
- I am fully aware that I will remain anonymous throughout data reported and that I have the right to leave the focus group at any point.
- I am fully aware that data collected will be stored securely, safely and in accordance with Data Collection Act (1998).
- I am fully aware that I am not obliged to answer any question, but that I do so at my own free will.
- I agree to have the focus group recorded (video or dictaphone), so it can be transcribed after the focus group is held. I am aware that I have the right to edit the transcript of the Focus Group once it has been completed.
- I am aware that I can make any reasonable changes to this consent form.

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**Printed Name**

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**Participants Signature**

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**Date**

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**Researchers Signature**

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**Date**

Contact Information

This research has been reviewed and approved by the Edinburgh University Research Ethics Board. If you have any further questions or concerns about this study, please contact:

Name of researcher

Full address

Tel:

E-mail:

You can also contact (Researchers name) supervisor:

Name of researcher

Full address

Tel:

E-mail:

**What if I have concerns about this research?**

If you are worried about this research, or if you are concerned about how it is being conducted, you can contact the Chair of the GeoScience Ethics Committee, University of Edinburgh, Drummond St, Edinburgh, EH8 9XP (or email at [ethics@geos.ed.ac.uk](mailto:ethics@geos.ed.ac.uk)).

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