

## **DEBRIEFING GUIDLINE CLARIFICATIONS ON RESEARCH**

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### **What should it include?**

- Thank the participant for their participation;
- Recall the objectives of the study;
- Recap specific hypotheses and/or objectives, if applicable;
- Disclose any elements of deception (i.e. experimental deception) or concealment/ withholding of information, if applicable;
- Identify/make available planned measures to deal/address any potential negative consequences for participants, if applicable;
- Provide contact details (name and email of team member(s) or coordination, or another form of contact if participants do not have access to email) where participants (or legal representative) may turn if he/she wishes to ask questions, share comments, or signal his/her intention to receive information on the main results and conclusions of the study;
- Inform participants how the compensation will be received, if it is mentioned in the consent (e.g. crediting).

**Note:** It must be ensured that the language fits the target population.

[Example]

## ***DEBRIEFING/EXPLICATION OF RESEARCH***

Thank you very much for taking part in this study. As stated at the beginning of your participation, the study focuses on [state topic in general] and aims at [state general objective(s)]. More specifically, [indicate more specific hypotheses or objectives, where applicable].

In the context of your participation, [disclose elements of deception or concealment/withholding of information, if applicable; identify/make available the measures envisaged to deal with potential negative consequences for participants, if applicable].

We would like to reinforce the contact details you can use should you have any questions, wish to share any comments, or signal your intention to receive information about the main results and conclusions of the study: [provide name and e-mail of team member(s) or coordination].

If you are interested in accessing more information about the subject of the study, you can also consult the following sources: [indicate reference publications, websites or other platforms with information on the topic, where applicable].

Thank you again for your participation.