

Combined Participant Information Sheet and Consent Form for Anonymous Online Surveys for Adult Participants

Study Title: A feasibility study for using the Arabic NEO- five factor inventory questionnaire for the Royal Saudi Air Defence Forces (RSADF)

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What is the research about?

My name is Iman Rawas and I am an Engineering and physical sciences student / postgraduate researcher at the University of Southampton in the United Kingdom.

I am inviting you to participate in a study regarding examining the effect of on test performance variation with and without a time constraint on a speech in noise (SIN) auditory fitness for duty (AFFD) study. The aims of the study are to assess the feasibility of using the Arabic NEO- five factor inventory (NEO-FFI) questionnaire in conjunction with an auditory fitness for duty (AFFD) as a determinant of the variation in performance on the AFFD study in a population from the RSADF Institute.

This study was approved by the Faculty Research Ethics Committee (FREC) at the University of Southampton (Ethics/ERGO Number: 62105).

What will happen to me if I take part?

This study involves completing an anonymous questionnaire which should take 10-15 minutes of your time. If you are happy to complete this survey, you will need to tick (check) the box below to show your consent. As this survey is anonymous, the researcher will not be able to know whether you have participated, or what answers you provided.

Why have I been asked to participate?

You have been asked to take part because you are a trainee or employee at the Saudi Arabian Air Defence Academy

You are receiving an invitation to participate because the commander of the Air Defence training academy, the Major General has agreed to forward to you information about this study on the researcher's behalf

I am aiming to recruit around 100 participants for this study.

What information will be collected?

The questions in this survey ask for information in relation to your age, education, military experience and personality

What are the possible benefits of taking part?

If you decide to take part in this study, you will not receive any direct benefits; however, your participation will contribute to knowledge in this area of research.

Are there any risks involved?

It is expected that taking part in this study will not cause you any psychological discomfort and/or distress, however, should you feel uncomfortable you can leave the survey at any time

What will happen to the information collected?

All information collected for this study will be stored securely on a password protected computer and backed up on a secure server. In addition, all data will be pooled and only compiled into data summaries or summary reports. Only the researcher and their supervisor will have access to this information.

The information collected will be analyzed and written up as part of the researcher's dissertation/published in a journal/presented at conferences.

The University of Southampton conducts research to the highest standards of ethics and research integrity. In accordance with our Research Data Management Policy, data will be held for 10 years after the study has finished when it will be securely destroyed

What happens if there is a problem?

If you are unhappy about any aspect of this study and would like to make a formal complaint, you can contact the Head of Research Integrity and Governance, University of Southampton, on the following contact details:

Email: rgoinfo@soton.ac.uk, phone: + 44 2380 595058.

Please quote the Ethics/ERGO number above. Please note that by making a complaint you might be no longer anonymous.

More information on your rights as a study participant is available via this link:

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/about/governance/participant-information.page>

Thank you for reading this information sheet and considering taking part in this research.

Please tick (check) this box to indicate that you have read and understood information on this form, are aged 18 or over and agree to take part in this survey.

*Find attached below a link to the Arabic version of this consent form attached to the study questionnaire. The consent form must be read and consent given in order for the study questionnaire to appear

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeXl8ir4Fuyx99-8sN_4xGa8M77gcf19-mbSnb2IOYxEkYc4A/viewform?usp=sf_link