

## CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE IN RESEARCH

### Human Preferences and Decision Judgements

You are asked to participate in a research study conducted by Leonidas Doumas, Ph.D., Lilyann Richardson and Ines Costa E Sousa from the Psychology Department at the University of Edinburgh. You were selected as a possible participant in this study because you are a fluent English speaker.

- **PURPOSE OF THE STUDY**

The purpose of this study is to investigate how people make decisions about their preferences.

- **PROCEDURES**

If you volunteer to participate in this study, we will ask you to use a computer to perform some simple judgement tasks.

- **POTENTIAL RISKS AND DISCOMFORTS**

The tasks are not long but can be a bit boring. If you find yourself tired or uncomfortable at any time, please take a short break. Attention checks will be included within this study to ensure concentration.

- **POTENTIAL BENEFITS TO SUBJECTS AND/OR TO SOCIETY**

As the participant, you will not directly benefit from participation in this study; however, the data collected during the study will help us to understand some of the basic mental processes involved in decision making.

- **CONFIDENTIALITY**

Any information obtained in connection with this study that can be identified with you will be anonymised instantly upon completion.

- **PARTICIPATION AND WITHDRAWAL**

It is your choice to participate in this study or not. You may withdraw from this experiment at any time during the study with absolutely no penalty. After you have completed the study, you will no longer be able to withdraw your information as it will be instantly anonymised as detailed in the confidentiality section.

- **IDENTIFICATION OF INVESTIGATORS**

If you have any questions or concerns about the research, please feel free to contact Leonidas Doumas (email [alex.doumas@ed.ac.uk](mailto:alex.doumas@ed.ac.uk))  
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- **RIGHTS OF RESEARCH SUBJECTS**

You may withdraw your consent at any time and discontinue participation without penalty during the study. You are not waiving any legal claims, rights or remedies

because of your participation in this research study. If you have questions regarding your rights as a research subject, contact the University of Edinburgh Department of Psychology.

**SIGNATURE OF RESEARCH SUBJECT**

I understand the procedures described above. My questions have been answered to my satisfaction, and I agree to participate in this study.

Click “continue” to indicate your consent.