

ROMOMATTER – CONSENT FORM

(Stakeholders interviews)

Dear Madam/Sir,

We would like to invite you to participate in the project **ROMOMATTER**:

What is this study about? This is a multi-country European project involving researchers from different universities (University of Bucharest -Romania-; New University of Buckinghamshire -United Kingdom-; University of Sevilla -Spain-; University of Alicante -Spain-) and social and health organizations based in Sofia (Bulgaria), Bucharest (Romania), Sevilla, Córdoba and Alicante (Spain). The main objective of this study is to explore new ways to prevent discriminations suffered by Roma girls and women, both inside and outside their own communities. ROMOMATTER tackles gender discrimination by empowering Roma girls' mattering to help them envision their own futures, contributing to become active players who participate in all decisions and actions affecting them.

Your participation: You have been contacted to participate in this study because you have answered our ad, or you have been informed about the study by your organization or a key person in your community. We consider you as a key person who can provide relevant information for the research. Participation is **voluntary**, and you have the opportunity to end your participation in the study at any time and you can to refuse to answer any question. We are going to talk about your work related to programmes, services, activities, etc. directed to Roma population.

Where will we conduct the interview and how? The interview will be carried out the day and at the time more convenient for you, in a private room at your work, at the university or at a place of your choosing. This is done to avoid outside disturbance and to protect your confidentiality. The interview takes around 1 hour and will be recorded with audio devices (with your permission) but no-one will be identified by name or organization in the recordings.

What happens to your answers? Your responses will be treated **confidentially** in accordance with European Union General Data Protection Regulation (2016/679). Your personal information will be confidential and in order for your personal data to be protected, your name or other personal information about you will not be reported in the research. To this end, the interviews audio files and transcripts will be stored in a safe place (computers with passwords) and no unauthorized person will have access to them. The interview transcript will be stored for a period of ten years and will be used for writing scientific papers and reports.

Will you receive any payment for this study? No, there is no monetary payment for participation.

Contact information and questions. If you have any questions please contact _____ at the following address: _____. Email: _____. Phone number: _____

Consent.

By signing on to the line below you confirm that you have received information about the study, that you have been given the opportunity to ask questions and that you give your consent to participate in the study.

_____ Date: _____ Place: _____

Signature