



RESEARCH NOTIFICATION

1. Invitation to participate in the Wisdom in Practice study (sub-research WP3 Wisdom in higher education, multidisciplinary sustainability transitions)

We ask you to participate in the Wisdom in Practice (WiP) study, which investigates and develops the promotion of human and planetary wisdom in higher education on a multidisciplinary basis. The study examines the development of the Multidisciplinary Sustainability Transition module and the manifestation of the dimensions of wisdom in the development process and the developed learning contents. The data is also used in the ECF4CLIM study (A European Competence Framework for a Low Carbon Economy and Sustainability through Education), which explores what kind of competencies are needed so that educational communities can act to tackle climate change and promote sustainable development.

You are asked to participate in the research because you are involved in developing the Multidisciplinary Sustainability Transition module at the University of Jyväskylä or making decisions related to the study unit. Approximately twenty people involved in the development, planning, and decisions of the multidisciplinary module will participate in the study.

This research notification describes the study and related participation. The attachment provides information on the processing of your personal data.

This is a single study, and you will not be contacted again later.

2. Voluntariness

Participation in this study is voluntary. You can refuse to participate in the study, stop participating or cancel your previously given consent, without stating any reason for this, and at any time during the study. This will have no negative consequences to you.

If you stop participating in the study or if you cancel your consent, the personal data, and other information collected on you up to that point will be used as part of the research material as far as it is necessary to ensure relevant research outcomes.

3. Progress of the study

The research interviews are mainly conducted as focus group interviews or, if necessary, as individual interviews. The place of the interview is agreed in collaboration between the interviewees and the interviewer. The aim is to conduct the interview primarily face-to-face, but an interview via online connection is also possible. The interview lasts from an hour to an hour and a half (1–1.5 h). It focuses on the participants' experiences of the development process of the multidisciplinary sustainability transition study unit. At the same time, the development process is examined from the perspective of the four psychological dimensions of wisdom (cognitive,

affective-social, ethical-existential, action) and related personal decisions, commitments and activities.

The interviews will be audio-recorded and transcribed. Personal information as well as information about the work community will be pseudonymized at this phase. However, the faculties could be visible right up to research publications.

The interviews will be carried out in 2024. The collected data will be analyzed using qualitative methods and the results of the study will be discussed in a research publication.

In addition to interviews, documents created during the development of the Multidisciplinary Sustainability Transition module are used as data. The authors of the documents will be informed and asked about their use separately. In addition, the research uses the data collected in the curriculum seminar focused on sustainability skills organized on January 24, 2023.

4. Possible benefits from the study

The results of the research can be used in the development of sustainability education, teaching, and higher education pedagogy. As a whole, the Wisdom in Practice project produces socially significant information about wisdom that is needed in dealing with multifaceted problems. For the interviewees participating in the research, the interview situation offers an opportunity to reflect on and analyze the multidisciplinary sustainability transition and related pedagogy.

5. Possible risks, harm, and inconvenience caused by the study as well as preparing for these

Participation in the study is not expected to cause any risks, harm or inconvenience. Reflecting on demanding problems encountered at work in an interview may feel uncomfortable, but sharing your own experiences in an interview is voluntary and data is handled confidentially.

6. Study-related costs and compensations to the subject as well as research funding

No rewards will be paid for participation in the study.

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7. Informing about research results and research outcomes

The study will yield scientific publications, dissertation, conference and seminar presentations, practical applications and teaching.

Study results will be published so that participants cannot be recognized from the study.

8. Insurance coverage of research subjects

The University of Jyväskylä has insurances for its activities and research subjects.

In the case of research interview conducted remotely, the insurance of the University of Jyväskylä compensates only for damage that is directly related to the assigned research task and that has occurred during the actual guided research task. The insurance does not cover accidents that occur during breaks.

The insurance of the University of Jyväskylä is not valid in the case of a research interview conducted remotely if a research subject's home municipality is not in Finland.

9. Contact details of the provider of additional information

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<https://www.jyu.fi/en/projects/wisdom-in-practice-wip>

<https://www.jyu.fi/en/projects/ecf4clim>