**INFORMATION LETTER AND CONSENT FORM**

**Crossing the Mediterranean Sea by Boat:**

**Mapping and Documenting Migratory Journeys and Experiences**

**Principle Investigator: Dr Vicki Squire**

This research project seeks to interview adult migrants who have recently crossed the Mediterranean Sea by boat. Participation is entirely voluntary and research participants may withdraw at any time. Withdrawal will have no negative consequences and no affect on their future treatment, either at the site of recruitment or elsewhere.

The project examines migrant journeys and experiences of crossing the Mediterranean Sea by boat. It explores the impact of EU policy developments across seven sites: Athens, Berlin, Istanbul, Kos, Rome, Sicily and Malta.

There are no direct benefits in participating in this project. Research participants are asked to volunteer 1.5 hours in order to participate in a qualitative semi-structured interview. The researcher will ask a series of questions about migratory journeys and experiences, with use of a map. It will also involve opportunities to draw and share pictures documenting experiences of crossing the sea by boat.

This research may raise issues that cause distress or concern. The researchers will do their best to provide a supportive environment for interviewees, and will ensure that those participating cannot be identified via the data produced.

Interview data will be archived at the UK Data Service unless requested otherwise. Research participants reserve the right to remove sections of the interview from transcripts and can access project findings via the project website [add link]. Any specific requests and data downloads should be sent to [add project email].

Should anyone have any complaints relating to a study conducted at the University or by University's employees or students, the complainant should be advised to contact:

The **Director of Delivery Assurance**, Registrar's Office, University House, University of Warwick, Coventry, UK CV4 8UW

Further information about this project can be directed to

PI Vicki Squire [add address and email]

Co-I [add relevant name and contact details]

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**Participant identification number where applicable**

**CONSENT FORM**

**Project Title: Crossing the Mediterranean Sea by Boat: Mapping and Documenting Migratory Journeys and Experiences**

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| **Name of Researcher:**  **(to be completed by participant)** |  |
| **I confirm that I have read and understood the information sheet dated** | **DATE: May/June 2016** |

**For the above project which I may keep for my records and have had the opportunity to ask any questions I may have.**

**I agree to take part in the above study and am willing to:**

*Be interviewed*

*Have my interview recorded*

*Give drawings created in the interview to the project*

*Share my existing photos and videos with the project*

**I understand that my information will be held and processed for the following purposes:**

*Use by the project team for written publications*

*Use by the project team for visual presentations*

*Archival and possible reuse by other researchers via UK Data Service*

**I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time without giving any reason without being penalised or disadvantaged in any way.**

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**Name of Participant Date Signature**

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**Researcher Date Signature**