

## CONSENT FORM

[If participants are illiterate or are not comfortable with written consent, this consent form should be read out at the start of the exercise and consent recorded on a Dictaphone or witnessed by another researcher. Participant names should be recorded at the bottom of the sheet with signatures if participants are literate.]

### Preamble:

We are researchers from the university of Stirling. Our research aims to better understand the factors that determine the mitigation of conflicts between food security and biodiversity conservation. To that end, we would like to invite you to take part in our experimental games and short questionnaire.

Please note that we are conducting an independent research, i.e. we are independent of government or conservation organisations and thus we have neutral views with regard to policy decisions about land and wildlife management.

The experimental games and questionnaire will take about 120 minutes but you are free to leave at any time.

Before we start we want to make sure that you understand the research we are doing and what we will do with the information we collect. **[Hand out participant information sheet]**

### Oral Consent Script

1. We have given you some information about this research, did we make things clear? Do you want to ask us any questions about the study?
2. We will keep all the information you give us confidential. Any notes or recordings we make will be kept safe. We will not share your personal details or personal views with anyone else. Is that okay?
3. Some of the information you give us may be published, but your real name will not be used in relation to any of the information you have provided us, unless you tell us clearly that you want us to use your real name. Is that okay?
4. Please know that you can ask us to withdraw your data (in part or in full) within one month of participating in the study for any reason. Is that clear?
5. Please know that if you are happy to participate in this study, you can still stop at any time, without giving us any reason. Okay?
6. [If appropriate] If you agree, we would like to take some photos. We might use these in presentations or publications about this project. Is this okay?
7. Do you have any further questions? Can we start the experimental games and the questionnaire now?

Participants names (and signatures if literate):

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Date: