



Date: 3.11.2025

Privacy Notice for the Encounters at the Boundaries of Home [Kohtaamisia kodin rajoilla] Research

You are participating in a scientific research study at the University of Turku. This privacy notice explains how your personal data will be processed in the research.

1. Data Controller

Turun yliopisto, FI-20014 Turku

2. Contact

Responsible researcher:

Name: Maija Mäki

Phone: 050 379 7471

Email: maija.j.maki@utu.fi

Contact person for research-related matters:

Name: Päivi Leinonen

Phone: 044 072 0731

Email: pailei@utu.fi

3. Data Protection Officer's Contact Information

The data protection officer of the University of Turku can be reached by email at dpo@utu.fi and by phone +358294503009.

4. Description of Research and Personal Data Processing

This two-year project examines everyday encounters and personal experiences within housing estates. These encounters often occur in places where the boundary between private and public is blurred, such as stairwells, laundries, bicycle shelters, and courtyards. In the first phase of the study, we have launched a survey in which you can participate anonymously.



Date: 3.11.2025

The next phase involves interviews and observations, and to facilitate these, we request contact information from volunteers through the survey form. Contact information will be used to communicate about the phases of the research. Video recordings and observation documents will be archived for future research use. Direct identifiers (such as names and contact details) will be stored separately from other data and will be removed during the analysis phase.

5. Persons Involved in Personal Data Processing

University of Turku: Maija Mäki, Päivi Leinonen, Anna Kirveennummi, Tommi Kurki, Silja Laine, Hanna Lantto, Leena Salmi, Outi Veivo

Åbo Akademi University: Kristel Edelman, Sanna Lillbroända-Annala

In addition, students from an urban studies course will participate in the research, particularly in conducting the interviews.

6. Duration of Personal Data Processing

The research will be conducted from 2025 to 2027. During this period, the research data will be stored in secure locations. After the project concludes, data containing identifiers will be archived at the Archives of the School of History, Culture and Arts Studies (SHCAS Archives).

Participants in the study have the opportunity to later review and delete data. Participants have the right to suspend or withdraw their participation in the study at any stage. For more details on participants' rights, see section 15.

7. Lawful Basis for Personal Data Processing

The processing of personal data is based on Article 6(1) of the GDPR:

- ☒ task carried out in the public interest:
 - ☒ scientific or historical research or statistical purposes
 - ☐ archiving of scientific or cultural heritage materials
- ☐ consent of the data subject
- ☐ compliance with a legal obligation to which the data controller is subject
- ☐ legitimate interests of the data controller or a third party



Date: 3.11.2025

8. Personal Data Included in the Research

Name, voice, email address, phone number, place of residence, gender, year of birth, language proficiency/mother tongue, education or occupation, employment status (e.g., retiree, unemployed, student), handwritten text, if included in the data.

9. Special Categories of Personal Data (Sensitive Personal Data)

No personal data of special categories is processed in the research. Participants in the study are primarily adults. Personal data of minors will not be archived.

10. Sources of Personal Data

Personal data are collected through a survey, in which providing information is voluntary. Additionally, participants may be found through spontaneous encounters in public places by inquiring about their interest in participating. Participants may also contact us themselves as a result of our announcements.

11. Personal Data Protection Measures

Personal data processed in information systems is protected in the following ways:

- ☒ user ID and password
- ☒ logging of use
- ☒ access control
- ☐ encryption
- ☒ two-factor authentication (part of the information systems)
- ☐ other, specify:

Manual (e.g., paper or other physical form) data is protected in the following ways: The data will be stored in the researcher's personal workspace for the time necessary for analysis. Thereafter, the data will either be destroyed or converted into an archivable format, such as digitization.

Processing of Direct Identifiers:

- ☐ The data is collected without direct identifiers
- ☐ Direct identifiers are removed during the analysis phase:
- ☒ The data is analysed with direct identifiers. Research publications will not mention individuals' names, exact places of residence, or other distinguishing features that could facilitate identification.



Date: 3.11.2025

12. Transfer and Sharing of Personal Data with Third Parties

Personal data is not transferred outside the data controller.

13. Transfer of Personal Data Outside the EU or EEA

Personal data is not transferred outside the European Union or the European Economic Area.

14. Processing of Personal Data After the Study Ends

- ☐ The research data is deleted
- ☐ The research data is retained to assess the reliability of the study results:
 - ☐ without direct identifiers ☐ with identifiers
- ☒ The research data will be retained for compatible scientific research in the future in accordance with the requirements of the GDPR:
 - ☐ without direct identifiers ☒ with identifiers

The research data is permanently retained at the Archives of the School of History, Culture and Arts Studies (SHCAS Archives). The archived data can be used according to the rules of the SHCAS Archives. The archive has the right to process personal data for archival purposes in the public interest, in accordance with data protection legislation.

The retention of the research data is based on Article 5(1)(b) and (e) of the GDPR.

15. Rights of the Data Subject and Exceptions to These Rights

For more information about your rights under the GDPR, contact the person mentioned in section 1.

Rights of the Data Subject

According to the Data Protection Regulation, the data subject has the right to:

- Access their data (Article 15)
- Rectify their data (Article 16)
- Erase their data and be forgotten (Article 17)
- Restrict the processing of their data (Article 18)
- Transfer their data from one controller to another (Article 20)



Date: 3.11.2025

- Object to the processing of their data (Article 21)
- Not be subject to automated decision-making (Article 22)

However, the data subject cannot exercise all rights in all situations, depending on the legal basis for the processing of personal data.

Exceptions to Data Subject Rights

Data protection legislation allows for exceptions to data subject rights when personal data is processed for scientific research and exercising the rights would prevent or significantly hinder the achievement of the research purposes. The need to make exceptions to data subject rights is always assessed on a case-by-case basis.

In this privacy notice, it is likely necessary to make exceptions to the following data subject rights:

- ☐ Right to access data (Article 15)
- ☐ Right to rectify data (Article 16))
- ☐ Right to erase data and be forgotten (Article 17)
- ☐ Right to restrict data processing (Article 18)
- ☐ Right to object to data processing (Article 21)

If the processing of personal data in research does not require the identification of the data subject and the controller cannot identify the data subject, the rights to access, rectify, erase, restrict processing, notify, and transfer data do not apply unless the data subject provides additional information enabling reliable identification (Article 11).

Right to Complain

You have the right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Ombudsman if you believe that your personal data has been processed in breach of applicable data protection legislation.

Contact Information for the Data Protection Ombudsman:

Data Protection Ombudsman's Office

Visiting address: Lintulahdenkuja 4, 00530 Helsinki

Postal address: PO Box 800, 00531 Helsinki

Switchboard: +358 29 566 6700

Email: tietosuoja(at)om.fi

