

**University of Edinburgh Business School**  
**Level 1 Research Ethics Form**

Name(s) of Investigators:

Title of Proposal:

I have read the *Business School Research Ethics Policy* and agree to abide by it.

I confirm that this research study does not involve human subject participation as specified in the School's Research Ethics Policy, nor concern groups which may be construed as terrorist or extremist<sup>1</sup>.

Please describe the data you will be using and the sources of this data<sup>2</sup>, or attach your Data Management Plan.

Signature:

Date:

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<sup>1</sup> If your research concerns groups which may be construed as terrorist or extremist, please consult with the Research Office about submitting a Level 2 or Level 3 Ethics form ([ethics@business-school.ed.ac.uk](mailto:ethics@business-school.ed.ac.uk))

<sup>2</sup> Although research using publicly available materials has traditionally not been subject to ethics review, the rise in digital and social media research raises particular issues and studies relying on online or social media data require attention to complex questions around privacy, informed consent and potential harm. Therefore, such studies cannot be assumed to be exempt from ethical review at Levels 1-3. If you are undertaking research involving material available from online or social media sources please consult <https://uoe.sharepoint.com/sites/hss/uebs/researchandphd/research-ethics-integrity/SitePages/Home.aspx> for guidance on these issues.