

Information sheet for participants in the ENABLECARES impact analysis

What is ENABLECARES?

ENABLECARES (*ENABLING CAREERS. Priming talent for success in Biomedicine*, www.enablecares.eu) is an EU-funded project (H2020-Swafs-08-2020, Grant Agreement 101006361) that provides junior researchers working in the field of biomedical sciences with training courses on essential skills that prepare them to pursue a career of their choice, with particular emphasis on competencies related to entrepreneurship/innovation management and open science/research data management.

Purpose and background of the study

ENABLECARES aims to shape the future training programmes of European research institutions, tailoring the courses to the needs of the research community. To succeed in this goal, IRB Barcelona needs volunteer participants willing to share the details of the next steps of their careers. By providing us with feedback, volunteers will help us to improve local training programmes and will ultimately contribute to defining the researcher competency profile in Europe.

Scope of the analysis and conditions of participation

Data will be collected only for the purpose of the performing an impact analysis and improving the PhD programmes of IRB Barcelona and the ENABLECARES partner institutions.

Participants who have given their consent to take part in the ENABLECARES impact analysis will be contacted annually to complete a survey on their career moves and will be offered the possibility to withdraw from the analysis at any time.

Research procedure

The objective of the ENABLECARES impact analysis study is to track the career paths of junior researchers who take part ENABLECARES courses and/or the courses that have preceded and inspired them, such as IRB Barcelona's Innovation courses, with the aim to obtain potential correlations between the training received and career decisions.

Data processing: privacy and confidentiality

Personal data processing will be done in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR).

IRB Barcelona will collect and store personal data, namely gender, year of birth, year and type of undergraduate degree, year and type of PhD and research area, subsequent job position(s), country, and sector and field of subsequent job position(s), for the purpose of tracking a participant.

ENABLECARES will refrain from requesting any data that is not considered strictly necessary for the impact analysis

IRB Barcelona is responsible for collecting and storing personal data. Data will be stored for a minimum of 10 years (the minimum required to obtain representative information from successive career steps).

IRB Barcelona has all the appropriate technical and organisational measures to safeguard all data stored.

All data will be anonymised by IRB Barcelona prior to being shared with other ENABLECARES partner institutions for the impact analysis.

Risks and benefits

Participation in this study does not entail any risk to the individual.

No direct personal benefits from participation in the impact analysis are described. However, participation will help IRB Barcelona and the ENABLECARES partner institutions to shape future training programmes and thus participants will be contributing to the improvement of training opportunities and career advice offered to future junior researchers and thus to their employability.

Contact persons

Questions regarding the research and the objectives of the analysis should be addressed to the ENABLECARES project manager:

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Questions related to the treatment of data, including privacy and confidentiality should be addressed to the Data Protection Officer appointed by ENABLECARES.

ENABLECARES Data Protection Officer
dataprotection@irbbarcelona.org

Informed consent form for participation in the ENABLECARES impact analysis

In agreement with the provisions of the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Protection Data Regulation), before confirming your participation in the ENABLECARES impact analysis, we need to verify that you have freely made the decision to take part in the study and that you have been properly informed about what participation entails.

Please read the following statements carefully before signing this consent:

- 1- I confirm that I have received, read and understood the document “Information sheet for participation in the ENABLECARES impact analysis”.
- 2- I confirm that I have been informed that participation in the impact analysis is voluntary and that it will not affect my participation in the ENABLECARES training courses.
- 3- I confirm that I have been informed about the possibility to withdraw from the analysis at any stage without affecting my participation in the ENABLECARES training courses.
- 4- I confirm that I have been given the opportunity to ask questions and that all the questions I have addressed to the contacts provided have been satisfactorily answered at the time of receiving this consent form.
- 5- I agree to the data I provide through surveys, questionnaires, etc., being used for research purposes, in particular to analyse the impact of ENABLECARES training on the career progress of ENABLECARES alumni, and I have no objection to my data being published in a scientific article as long as my identity is not revealed.
- 6- I understand that information may be shared, once anonymised, with the researchers participating in the Enablecares impact analysis and that all information I provide will be treated as confidential and measures will be applied so that my anonymity is preserved.
- 7- I authorise IRB Barcelona to contact me, either by e-mail at my IRB e-mail address or at another e-mail address that I provide, or by any other means, to assess the impact of ENABLECARES training on my career progress.