

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 study and conditions of participation

Your participation in the impact analysis is on a voluntary basis and the participation in the training courses is not subject in any way to you volunteering for the tracking.

Data will be collected only for the purpose of performing an impact analysis and improving the PhD programmes of the ENABLECARES partner institutions. Data will only be used for statistical analysis of aggregate trends.

Participants who have given their consent to take part in the ENABLECARES impact analysis will be asked if they agree to be contacted again to complete a survey on their career moves.

Participants will be offered 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 in the ENABLECARES 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).

The partner institutions of ENABLECARES 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, 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 research purpose.

If you agree to being contacted again for a follow-up survey, you will be asked to provide a contact e-mail. Your contact data will always be stored separately from the survey data.

Each ENABLECARES partner recruiting participants to its courses is responsible for collecting and storing the personal data of its participants. Data will be stored for a minimum time of 10 years (the minimum time required to obtain representative information from successive career steps).

All ENABLECARES partners have all the appropriate technical and organizational measures in place in order to safeguard all data stored.

All data will be anonymized by the responsible partner prior to being shared with other ENABLECARES partner institutions for the impact analysis.

Risks and benefits

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

No direct, personal benefits from participation are described. However, participation will help 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 project may be addressed to the ENABLECARES project manager:

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

ENABLECARES Data Protection Officer
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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), prior to confirming your participation in the ENABLECARES impact analysis we need to confirm that you have freely made the decision to take part in the study and that you have been properly informed about the details the participation entails.

Please read the following statements carefully before you agree to participate in the study:

- 1- I confirm that I have received, read and understood the document “information sheet for participation in ENABLECARES impact analysis” that was handed to course participants on the first day of the course.
- 2- I confirm that I have been informed that participation in the impact analysis is on a voluntary basis without prejudice to my participation in the ENABLECARES training courses.
- 3- I confirm that I have been informed about the possibility to withdraw from the study at any stage without prejudice to my participation in the ENABLECARES training courses.
- 4- I confirm that I have been offered the possibility to ask questions and that all questions I have addressed to the contacts provided have been satisfactorily answered at the time of receiving this consent form.
- 5- I agree that the data I provide through surveys, questionnaires, etc. is 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 scientific publication in a way that my identity is not revealed.
- 6- I understand that information may be shared between the researchers participating in this project in an anonymous form and that all information I give will be treated as confidential and measures will be applied so that my anonymity is well preserved.

Name of participant, date, and signature