

Information for data owners

1 MOBIS:COVID-19

The MOBIS:COVID-19 project was initiated by the Institute for Transport Planning and Systems (IVT) at ETH Zurich and the Faculty of Business and Economics (WWZ) at the University of Basel in response to the current coronavirus pandemic. Participants in the MOBIS study can continue to be tracked on a voluntary basis to support research. This survey also examines whether and how study participants adapt their behaviour during the COVID-19 crisis.

2 Project objective

These days, any decision, any trip away from home carries significant risks. What is the risk of being infected or infecting your family with COVID-19? Can you change your risk by taking a different route, going to a different supermarket or changing your departure time? This is an extreme version of our daily life, where we normally always accept the risk of an accident: by bicycle, car, etc.

We want to understand how you make this trade-off. We are particularly interested in how you choose your means of transport for different travel purposes, taking into account the various risks of infection.

3 Survey procedure

The survey is divided into two parts:

- The first part of the survey contains general questions about yourself, your general mobility behaviour and your daily behaviour during the COVID-19 crisis. In addition, questions are asked about your previous contact with the COVID-19 virus.
- The second part contains several decision scenarios on the choice of means of transport for typical trips (such as work, grocery shopping, visits to friends and acquaintances, or other errands), taking into account the associated risks of infection.

4 Conditions of participation and right of withdrawal

To participate in the survey, you must have already participated in the MOBIS study and be currently being tracked in the MOBIS:COVID-19 study. The survey is voluntary. You will be invited to participate by email and you have the right to withdraw from participation at any time and to request the deletion of all data collected about you.

5 Compensation

You will not be compensated for your participation in the survey.

6 Risks

This survey does not involve any risk to you.

7 Funding

The project is financed by the Institute for Transport Planning and Systems (IVT) using its own funds.

8 Data protection

Your personal data will be treated confidentially and will be used exclusively to carry out and analyse this survey. Your data will not be passed on to third parties. In the course of conducting the survey, your personal data will be processed by the staff of ETH Zurich and the University of Basel who are directly involved in the project. Your contact details and name will be completely deleted at the latest at the end of the study. The data analysis will be pseudonymised. During pseudonymisation, the names of the persons will be replaced with a code that does not allow third parties to identify the persons. The responsible investigators and/or members of the Ethics Committee may inspect the original data for testing and control purposes, but in strict compliance with confidentiality. After completion of the MOBIS:COVID-19 study, the data will be kept in the ETH Data Archive for further research projects, as they can be used to investigate and test new methods and questions.

9 Insurance

Any damage to health that arises in direct connection with the survey and is attributable to proven fault on the part of ETH Zurich is covered by ETH Zurich's business liability insurance (policy no. 30/4.078.362, Basler Versicherung AG). In addition, accident and health insurance is the responsibility of the data owners.

10 Contact

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us :

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