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# Ethics in the WOSCAP project

Ethics are an important factor of conducting research, and come into play in complex environments. Prudent research must respect fundamental human rights, ensure that the “do no harm” principle is applied, and be conflict sensitive, especially in the context of the project’s field research. Ensuring ethical standards are applied will improve the excellence of the implementation of the project. Every partner of the WOSCAP consortium is aware of the importance and committed to the fundamental principles that govern these issues. More information can be found in section 5.1 on Ethics (pp. 66-68) of the Description of Action of the project.

## Copies of Ethical Approvals

This deliverable consists of the *Declarations of ethical approvals* from all the partners of the WOSCAP project. In all of the partners’ countries an ethics committee for social sciences at national or local level either does not exist, or does not provide an ethical approval for research projects. Therefore the WOSCAP partners were required to prepare a *Declaration of ethical approval*, to ensure that ethical standards are applied at institutional level.

All the WOSCAP partners appointed one person that takes the responsibility to ensure that the ethical issues are dealt in line with the relevant national and international legislation. The *Declarations of ethical approvals* state whether national or local ethical committees are in place and whether ethical approval is required in the country where the research will be carried out. The declarations refer to the ethical principles that would govern the WOSCAP research and the relevant national and international legislation and regulation to be followed. This includes the European Charter for Researchers and The European Charter of Fundamental Rights. All the letters are signed by the appointed person.

This document (D1.6) contains the following *Declarations of ethical approvals* from:<sup>\*</sup>

- Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC)
- Utrecht University (UU)
- Berghof Foundation (BF)
- Escola Cultura de Pau, Barcelona Autonomous University (ECP)
- Institute for Research and Education on Negotiation, ESSEC Business School (IRENE)
- Institute of World Policy (IWP)
- London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE)
- Political Development Forum (PDF)
- Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU)
- Université des Sciences Juridiques et Politiques de Bamako (USJPB)

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<sup>\*</sup> Due to reasons of confidentiality and protection of signatures, only this page of this document will be made public (online). EU officials can request the Project Coordinator, GPPAC, for further disclosure in the context of the project.