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WZB Research Ethics Review (2021/0/110) "Why do (wo)men quit competition after failure? An analysis of dropouts under unfairness"

Dear Mr. Piasenti,

Thank you for submitting your project for review by the WZB Research Ethics Committee. The project was discussed by the committee via E-Mail in January / February 2021. The following was determined:

(X) The project is approved in its existing form.

(X) Please see the attached page for additional recommendations to consider.

() The project requires modifications before it can be approved. (Please see attached page.) The revised application must be re-submitted for approval by the

- () Committee chair only
- () The full Research Ethics Committee

() The project cannot be approved, even with significant modifications.



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Please note that ethical approval is subject to the following conditions:

- It is the responsibility of the researcher to monitor the conduct of research that has received ethical • approval, including the work being done by student workers and research assistants in all project phases.
- The researcher must ensure that there is an appropriate continuing review of the research, taking into • account any possible changes that may occur over the duration of the research project.
- In the event that changes to the research design could increase the degree of risk to research subjects, • the researcher must submit a new application for ethical review.
- It is the responsibility of the researcher to alert the Chair of the Research Ethics Committee and the • Office for Research Planning if any further ethical implications arise.
- It is the responsibility of the researcher to ensure that data are securely held and preserved. •

The WZB Research Ethics Committee wishes you every success in your research.

Sincerely yours,

(Macartan Humphreys)

(Patrick Droß)

Finan Plemeet

(Simon Munzert)

(Mira Fischer)

Heite Suga

(Heike Solga)



Appendix: WZB Ethics Committee Session

Committee members:	Heike Solga, Patrick Droß, Mira Fischer, Simon Munzert, Macartan Humphreys
Observer:	Roland Römhildt, Charlotte Jöster-Morisse
Period of E-Mail contact:	28.01. – 04.02.2021
<u>Application</u> :	Nr. 2021/0/110 "Why do (wo)men quit competition after failure? An analysis of dropouts under unfairness"
Applicants:	Stefano Piasenti, Gregor Pfeifer, Marica Valente, Roel van Veldhuizen

<u>Vote:</u> The committee approves the application in consideration of the following recommendations/requirements:

- The commission gives conditional approval, requiring the researchers to orient the average remuneration of participants on the British minimum wage, as Prolific is based in the United Kingdom. The researchers should also announce the average remuneration participants can expect, so that they can form a realistic expectation and do not base their decision to participate solely on the possible maximum payment.
- The commission further points out that as Prolific is based in the U.K. and mostly recruits participants from the U.K. and the U.S. the research will actually be carried out mostly outside of Germany, contrary to what was indicated in the application form.