

Participant Information

We are inviting you to take part in a research initiative run by Bristol Business School UWE and the School of Management, University of Bath, focusing on how organisations have worked with suppliers to dramatically change their approaches in response to Covid-19

In the midst of the global COVID-19 outbreak, we are seeing the rapid emergence of innovative efforts from public and private organisations to transform their processes to meet the complex and urgent demands brought about by this global outbreak. This initiative aims to capture and identify Covid-19 stimulated changes in practice, with a specific focus on innovative ways of working.

We invite you to contribute your expertise by means of a short Teams interview which will take 30-60 minutes. Your data will be anonymised at this point and will be analysed with interview data from other anonymised participants. All information we receive from you will be treated in the strictest confidence.

By participating in the interview, you agree that you have read this participant statement and have given us permission to store and use your written and oral contributions for scholarly purposes. You may withdraw your consent at any time by writing to Professor Wendy Phillips (wendy.phillips@uwe.ac.uk).

Through bringing together the reflections from managers on the development of new organisational and collaborative working procedures across organisations, this research will help us learn about and disseminate emerging best practice actions to aid current and future efforts in the fight against Covid-19 and other extreme events. We aim to publish the findings of the research in academic articles which you will have access to upon completion.

This study has been given research ethics approval by UWE's Research Ethics Committee. Reference number FBL.16.05.035

If you have any questions, please contact wendy.phillips@uwe.ac.uk or helen.sanderson@uwe.ac.uk.