**Participant Information Sheet – 1/10/22**

**Project title:** Growing a pedagogical network using a multimedia python library to support Computational Thinking education

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You are invited to take part in a funded by the Durham University Research Impact Fund.

This study has received ethical approval from the department of Computer Science of Durham University.

Before you decide whether to agree to take part it is important for you to understand the purpose of the research and what is involved as a participant. Please read the following information carefully. Please get in contact if there is anything that is not clear or if you would like more information.

**What is the purpose of the study?**

The aim of this project is to study whether MediaLib is an effective way to teach and learn multimedia programming for students without or with little prior experience programming.

**Why have I been invited to take part?**

You have been invited as your feedback in using MediaLib is valuable to the future development of this library and other systems to support teaching multimedia programming.

**Do I have to take part?**

Your participation is voluntary and you do not have to agree to take part. If you do agree to take part, you can withdraw at any time, without giving a reason.

**What will happen to me if I take part?**

If you agree to take part in the study, you will be asked to complete a questionnaire before using the library for collecting information for us to understand your background

related to programming. If you provide us with your email address one month later, you will be reminded to complete another questionnaire to assess your new learning situation. Otherwise, you can also provide us with your feedback through the website. The outcome of the questionnaire will be analysed and presented in written articles. We make use of the Google Analytics service to understand how you navigate around our site. Further information on how Google Analytics uses cookies is available here: <http://code.google.com/apis/analytics/docs/concepts/gaConceptsCookies.html#HowGAUsesCookies.> To opt-out of Google analytics visit <http://tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout/>.

**Will my data be kept confidential?**

All information obtained during the study will be kept confidential. If the data is published it will be entirely anonymous and will not be identifiable as yours.

Full details are included in the accompanying Privacy Notice.

**What will happen to the results of the project?**

No personal data will be shared, however anonymised (i.e. not identifiable) data may be used in publications, reports, presentations, web pages and other research outputs. At the end of the project, anonymised data may be archived and shared with others for legitimate research purposes.

All research data and records needed to validate the research findings will be stored for 10 years after the end of the project.

**Who do I contact if I have any questions or concerns about this study?**

If you have any further questions or concerns about this study, please speak to the researcher. If you remain unhappy or wish to make a formal complaint, please submit a complaint via the University’s [Complaints Process](https://www.dur.ac.uk/ges/3rdpartycomplaints/).

Thank you for reading this information and considering taking part in this study.