**Master’s Thesis Research Proposal + Ethics Form**

**Joint Master of Science “Geography of Environmental Risks and Human Security”**

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| **Matriculation Number:**  **(Uni Bonn)** |  | **Examination Regulations:** |  | 2017 |  | 2020 |
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| **Thesis Examiners** | |  |  | | | |
| **Thesis Supervisor:**  *(required)* |  | **Second Assessor**  *(if available)* |  | | | |
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I confirm that I have read and understood the document *UNU Rules Governing the Joint Master of Science Geography of Environmental Risks and Human Security with the Rheinische Friedrich-Wilhelms-University of Bonn*, dated 30 September 2017 (ER2017) /22 June 2021 (ER2020):  Yes  No

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| **Proposed Title of Thesis** |  |  |
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| **Summary of Proposed Thesis** |  |  |
| *A summary of the proposed research needs to be submitted. It can, but does not necessarily need to, address all of the following points. The relevant points are to be discussed with the Examiner.* | | |
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* What is the specific field and topic of your thesis?
* Research question – what is your objective?
* Are you planning to carry out your research for a specific company or organization?
* What is your method to conduct research? Please be specific.
* What is the intended duration of your research and writing period?
* If you conduct interviews or focus groups, approx. how many people will participate?
* Who will participate? Please describe the profile of your participants.
* What are your methods of finding and soliciting participants, how will consent be obtained?
* Please state any issues regarding the vulnerability of participants, eg. age, disability, etc.
* Where will the research take place and do you have permission from the relevant parties to conduct research there?
* How will the participants be protected from issues arising from physical, psychological and data disclosure risks?
* Will you (or anyone assisting you) be exposed to any risks whilst undertaking your research? If so, please state how you intend to reduce them.
* Will your research have any harmful impact or could it cause long term changes to the ecosystem, animals, plants, soils, water, etc.? If so, please specify the measures that will be taken to minimize risk of impact.
* How will your data be analyzed?
* How will the confidentiality of the data collected be upheld?
* Who will have access to the data?
* Will the participants have access to your data? If so, what considerations of confidentiality and sensitive subjects (Religion, cultural aspects, etc.) have you undertaken?
* What is the intended use of your data? (E.g. for publication etc.)
* Any other issues that you have identified which are not covered in this list.

Additionally, please hand in a copy of the following two documents:

1. The information form you intend to issue perspective participants.
2. The consent form you intend to use.

**Declaration:** I am the sole author of these statements. The information on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I accept full responsibility for its accuracy.

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| **Signature of Student** |  | **Date** |

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| **Signature of Supervisor** |  | **Date** |