Plan Overview

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Title: Data collected for a doctoral thesis 'Gambling in Digital Games and Esports: Examining the Impacts of the Convergence of Gaming and Gamblingä

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Project abstract:

This data management project encompasses both quantitative and qualitative data gathered for my doctoral thesis focusing on the game related gambling in the world of digital games and esports.

First, a survey will be administered to gather quantitative data. After which, specific participants that answered the survey will be interviewed to collect qualitative data.

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1. General description of data

1.1 What kinds of data is your research based on? What data will be collected, produced or reused? What file formats will the data be in? Additionally, give a rough estimate of the size of the data produced/collected.

This project outlines both the qualitative and quantitative research that will be gathered to produce a doctoral dissertation on gambling and gambling-like activities in digital games and esports.

First part of the research will be quantitative data gathered with an online survey.

The next part will be reaching out to specific participants that answered the survey, and conduct semi-structured interviews with players of games that have the players participate in gambling-like activities.

All data gathered with the survey and during the interviews will be securely stored, and will be analyzed in a way that will not:

a) Identify any one participant,

b) Contain any sensitive information that would lead to identification of any one participant and

c) Contain any information that any of the participants wishes to omit during the studies.

1.2 How will the consistency and quality of data be controlled

The quality of the survey, it's formulation and it's administration will be closely followed and guided by both a professor and a post-doctoral research in addition to myself.

The gathered interviews will be transcribed using professional tools, and again the transcription processes and the examination and analysis of the extracted comments will be guided by a professor and a post-doctoral researcher to ensure consistency and the quality of the transcribed data.

2. Ethical and Legal Compliance

2.1 What legal issues are related to your data management? (For example, GDPR and other legislation affecting data processing.)

The data gathering methods, and the processes and storage of the gathered data will be subjected to the appropriate laws regarding data management.

2.2 How will you manage the rights of the data you use, produce and share?

The rights of the data will be managed according to the appropriate data management laws. The participants of the study will be fully informed regarding the data management processes of the data they produce. This OSF site was created to inform the participants of their rights.

3. Documentation & metadata

3. How will you document your data in order to make the data findable, accessible, interoperable and re-usable for you and

others? What kind of metadata standards, README files or other documentation will you use to help others to understand and use your data?

The data will be subject to appropriate metadata standards for both the survey and the interview data.

4. Storage and backup during the research project

4.1 Where will your data be stored, and how will the data be backed up?

For the duration of the gathered data will initially be held and stored both with all involved researchers, as well as in a cloud-storage that can be accessed by all the involved researchers. Additionally, backups of the data will be made regularly.
After the research has been conducted, the data will be stored according to the appropriate data management laws and codes of conduct.

4.2 Who will be responsible for controlling access to your data, and how will secured access be controlled?

I am the responsible data manager during the duration of the study.
Security of the gathered data is subjected to the security offered by the both the OS, and cloud-based service providers that host the data. All individual researchers in possession of the data will treat it appropriately, according to personal security standards.

5. Opening, publishing and archiving the data after the research project

5.1 What part of the data can be made openly available or published? Where and when will the data, or its metadata, be made available?

At the moment, I cannot guarantee the exact level of openness of the gathered data. The secured and omitted transcriptions/comments (see 1.1.) will at least be available for any researcher inquiring access to it.

5.2 Where will data with long-term value be preserved, and for how long?

The hosting site of the data will be filled in later. The storage duration of the gathered data is subject to appropriate data management laws and codes of conduct.

6. Data management responsibilities and resources

6.1 Who (for example role, position, and institution) will be responsible for data management?

I am the responsible data manager for the duration of the study. After the studies are conducted, the data (in some form) will be hosted on a site specified later. The host will be responsible for the data afterwards.

6.2 What resources will be required for your data management procedures to ensure that the data can be opened and preserved according to FAIR principles (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Re-usable)?

Final preparation of the data and publishing it either in full form or metadata only will require some work. However, publishing any parts of the data will be done according to Tampere university policies on both data protection, and management and storage of data.