

**Tracking on Privacyassistant.org
Consent to participate in research**

Privacyassistant.org is part of a research study conducted by Norman Sadeh (Contact: 412-268-9934) at Carnegie Mellon University and is funded by DARPA. The website contains information about our project, privacy and the internet of things and offers service like the IoT Resource Registry where users can register privacy policies of IoT devices and publish them to those potentially affected by the data collection of these devices.

The tracking on this website has been approved by CMU's Institutional Review Board under the process number: STUDY2017_00000215.

We would like your permission to track your use of our website.

The purpose of the use tracking is to improve the services offered on privacyassistant.org and improve the usability of the website. If you disable the tracking and will still be able to use the website to register privacy policies for IoT resources as you like.

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Procedures

If you agree to the tracking a cookie that contains a unique id will be stored in your browser. This will help us to measure how much time you spend on the website and which of its pages you visit. The information that you have visited the website is stored in combination with a unique ID, that does not have any relation to you as a person, and with an anonymized IP address. Instead of your actual IP address (e.g. 123.168.0.1, we will only store 123.168.0.0 so there is no way of connecting the tracking data to your device).

The data will be aggregated and anonymized after 1 month. After that period it is not possible to differentiate between individual usage patterns. Anytime you visit the website the data generated during that visit will be stored again as described above.

You can disable tracking at any time by deactivating the tracking on the following website <https://piwik.privacyassistant.org/index.php?module=CoreAdminHome&action=optOut>

Participant Requirements

Participation in this study is limited to individuals age 18 and older. Participants have to reside in the USA.

Risks

There are no specific risks related to the tracking, although boredom or fatigue might occur in the course of using the website. The data we collect is solely behavioral and does not contain any information about you (personally identifiable information).

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Benefits

There are no expected benefits to you for your agreeing to let us track your use of our website; however you may benefit from the basic use of our website. The tracked data that we collect will enable us to improve the website so that future users are likely to benefit.

Compensation & Costs

There is no compensation for participation in this study.
There will be no cost to you if you participate in this study.

Confidentiality

The data captured for the research does not include any personally identifiable information about you. Your IP address will be shortened, so it is not identifiable. Instead, your behavioral information is associated with an anonymous ID and stored on a server located on the CMU campus.

Sharing of data with other researchers will only be done in such a manner that you will not be identified.

By participating, you understand and agree that the data and information gathered during this study may be used by Carnegie Mellon and published and/or disclosed by Carnegie Mellon to others outside of Carnegie Mellon. However, your name, address, contact information and other direct personal identifiers will not be mentioned in any such publication or dissemination of the research data and/or results by Carnegie Mellon. Note that per regulation all research data must be kept for a minimum of 3 years.

The Federal government offices that oversee the protection of human subjects in research will have access to research records such as consent forms and the compensation, but not your data.

Right to Ask Questions & Contact Information

If you have any questions about this study, you should feel free to ask them by contacting the Principal Investigator now at Norman Sadeh (Contact: 412-268-9934) or sadeh@cs.cmu.edu. If you have questions later, desire additional information, or wish to withdraw your participation please contact the Principal Investigator by mail, phone or e-mail in accordance with the contact information listed above.

If you have questions pertaining to your rights as a research participant; or to report concerns to this study, you should contact the Office of Research Integrity and Compliance at Carnegie Mellon University. Email: irb-review@andrew.cmu.edu. Phone: 412-268-1901 or 412-268-5460.

Voluntary Participation

Your participation in this research is voluntary. You may discontinue participation at any time during the research activity.