

CONSENT FORM

Title of Project: Investigating how accountants use information on beneficial ownership to manage money-laundering and terrorist-financing risk

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Please
initial box

1. I confirm that I have read and understood the information sheet dated 29 of September 2025 (version 1) for the above study. I have had the opportunity to consider the information, ask questions and have had these answered satisfactorily.

2. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw at any time before 1 March 2026 without giving any reason.

3. I understand that data collected during this study will be processed in accordance with data protection law as explained in the Participant Information Sheet 29/09/2025 (version 1).

4. I consent to my interview to be audio and/or video recorded. The recording will be transcribed and analysed for the purposes of the research (add further details about destruction or subsequent storage of recordings and / or transcripts).

5. I consent to verbatim quotes being used in publications; I will not be named but I understand that there is a risk that I could be identified.

6. I agree with the data I contribute being retained for any future research that has been given a favourable opinion by a Research Ethics Committee.

7. I understand that to maximise the re-use and societal benefit of this research, anonymous data (which does not identify me) will be publicly shared at the end of the project and made open access under a CC-BY licence. I understand that this means anyone else (including researchers, businesses, governments, charities, and the general public) will be allowed to use this anonymised data for any purpose that they wish (including commercial purposes), providing that they credit the University and research team as the original creators.

Limitations to Confidentiality

8. I understand that whatever I say in the interview is confidential unless I tell the researcher that I or someone else is in immediate danger of serious harm, or the researcher sees or is told about something that is likely to cause serious harm. If that happens, the researcher will raise this with me during the interview and tell me about what could happen if I continue to talk about it and explore how I would prefer to deal with the situation. The researcher will encourage me to seek support from (add relevant persons or agencies) to help me make the situation safer. If the researcher feels unsure that I will go and get support, they will talk to me about what they need to do and what might happen next. In an extreme case where a child is at serious risk, and I choose not to seek help/advice the researcher has a duty to disclose this to the relevant agencies.

9. I understand that should I disclose any concerns with regard to my own, or others' professional practice in the course of the interview, the researcher might be duty bound to refer the matter to relevant agencies.

10. I understand that should I disclose possible criminal offences that have not been investigated or prosecuted, in the course of the interview, the researcher may report the matter(s) to relevant agencies.

Dissemination of Results

11. I understand that the results of this study may be published and/or presented at meetings or academic conferences and may be provided to research commissioners or funders (Institute of Chartered Accountant of England and Wales) as part of a final report. I give my permission for my anonymous data, which does not identify me, to be disseminated in this way.

12. I agree to take part in the study.

Name of Participant:

Date:

Signature:

Name of Researcher:

Date

Signature:

If you require any future information, please do not hesitate to contact me on +44 (0)23 9284 5388 or paul.gilmour@port.ac.uk.

Your sincerely,



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