Research involving (data from) human subjects: data management, privacy and ethics*

- Start research proposal
- Draw up a data management plan
- Ask the privacy manager to conduct a privacy scan**
- Submit your proposal to the ERB
- Is the ERB's assessment positive?
  - Yes: Start collecting data
  - No: Amend the research proposal based on the ERB's suggestions

* This flow chart only pertains to ethics in relation to research involving human subjects. For other ethics questions and issues, please contact the RSO.

** If a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) is required, please contact the SG ERB for further steps.

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**Why?**
Researchers are expected to consider whether their research is ethically acceptable. This is in accordance with the principles of fair and honest research. Having a qualified Ethics Review Board assess the research proposal in advance can help the researcher make this consideration. In addition, more and more journals and grant providers are requiring ethics review of research before approval.

**What?**
The Science-Geo Ethics Review Board (SG ERB) offers professional and impartial ethical reviews and advice regarding proposals for research involving human subjects. The broader mission of the SG ERB is to provide insight into the responsible care for the rights, safety and wellbeing of research project participants.

**For whom?**
Researchers at the faculties of Science and Geosciences.

**Which research?**

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**This**
- Any research conducted under the responsibility of the faculties of Science and Geosciences, and which involves human subjects or data collected from human subjects.

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**Not this**
- Research conducted by students and not submitted by the supervisor.
- Research that has already been started or completed.
- Research that falls within the scope of the Dutch Medical Research Human Subjects Act (WMO).

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