

Who can participate?

- Men and women above the age of 18 years
- Fluent in at least one of the following languages: French, German or English

Advantages of participation:

- Making a contribution towards creating a database for future studies
- Detailed information and feedback on general results
- The reimbursement of 20 € for the participation

Who are we?

The research group '**Self-Regulation and Health**' (Head: Prof. Dr. **Claus Vögele**) is part of the Integrative Research Unit on Social and Individual Development (**INSIDE**) at the University of Luxembourg.

Research domain:

- Decision making and self-regulation processes in different clinical conditions
- Eating behaviour and body weight regulation
- Implementation of research results into practice with the aim to enable development of intervention practices and effective prevention programmes

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Study on perception of erotic images

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Erotic pictures

Nowadays, people seem to be constantly surrounded by **sexual stimuli**, which can be more or less explicit. Erotic images are present in magazines, on the Internet, and on TV, on the way to work /University or at home.



Being **aroused** when viewing pictures with erotic content is a typical reaction of men and women but there are also differences between individuals. For example, some people are easily turned on by sexual stimuli whereas others need more time and specific conditions to get sexually excited. Previously it has been thought that sexual responding is mainly biologically determined, but more and more research shows that human sexuality is more complex and diverse.

It is important to investigate how problems with sexual functioning or other, e.g. body image dissatisfaction, can affect sexual responding to erotica and change the well being of a person.

In order to scientifically study the diversity of reactions to sexual stimuli we need an **up-to-date and extensive** set of erotic pictures.

The purpose is to **build a database of erotic pictures** that are adequate for research on affective responding. It will serve as a basis for a more complex and detailed understanding of sexual functioning in men and women.

Data protection:

All data obtained from participants will be stored and handled in a manner that will assure anonymity and security of collected information.



Study

We would like to invite adult heterosexual men and women to participate in the study.

We focus on heterosexual men and women in first stage of this project.

You will be asked to visit webpage: www.socisurvey.de, in order to fill in the questionnaires and rate the pictures.

During the evaluation part of the study you will be asked to look at the pictures with erotic content and rate them subjectively according to three dimensions:

- How negative or positive is the image?
- How relaxed or aroused do you feel during picture presentation?
- Do you want to look on or avoid looking on this picture?

Additionally, your psychophysiological responses may be measured during picture presentation.