Declaration of commitment for access to confidential data for scientific purposes

I, (name and surname(s), position, institution), principal investigator responsible for the research project entitled (name of the research project),

HEREBY DECLARE that:

- 1. The information provided by the Statistical Institute of Catalonia (hereinafter, Idescat) consists of a confidential data file on with a total of records, to which statistical disclosure control techniques have been applied to avoid as far as possible directly identifying individual information subject to statistical confidentiality (in accordance with Decree 143/2010, of 19 October, on the Register of Statistical Files and the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality, and, in general, with current statistical legislation).
- 2. The data to which Idescat gives access are protected by Law 23/1998, of 30 December 1998, on statistics in Catalonia, Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, the General Data Protection Regulation, Organic Law 3/2018, of 5 December 2018, on the protection of personal data and guarantee of digital rights, and other legislation in force in this area that applies to it.
- The data to which Idescat gives access can only be used for the research mentioned in section 1 of this document. Therefore, they may not be used for any other activity or for any other purpose, nor may they be transferred to any other person, institution or entity.
- 4. I undertake to inform the staff who process this confidential data of the restrictions on the use of the data provided by Idescat (sections 2 and 3), and to ensure that the staff who have access to them comply with the obligations of this declaration of commitment.
- 5. The digital files containing Idescat's data will be kept in a suitable place with the necessary security measures in compliance with the applicable regulations on personal data protection and statistical confidentiality that in particular prevent access by any person outside the research that is the object of this transmission of confidential data.
- 6. The following research staff will have access to the file:
 - (name and surname(s)), principal investigator
 - (name and surname(s)), other research staff
- 7. The information disseminated on the basis of the information provided by Idescat will always be sufficiently aggregated or masked to safeguard statistical confidentiality,

- and the appropriate technical measures will be taken to avoid the risk of disclosing individual information (in accordance with Article 26 of the Law on statistics in Catalonia). In any case, no dissemination (in any medium or document) shall be made where the value of a cell in any table may reveal individual information indirectly.
- 8. I undertake to provide Idescat, in writing, with the numerical results (tables, graphs and other quantitative formulations) of the research before publishing them or disseminating them by any means, so that Idescat can check the level of statistical disclosure of the individual data and determine, if necessary, the additional measures that it should adopt in order to guarantee maximum preservation of statistical confidentiality before disseminating these results. I also undertake to provide Idescat with the full text of the research results (including tables, graphs, maps, etc.) before disseminating them by any means, to verify that they comply with Idescat's measures and indications. If it is an article for publication, I undertake to submit the information to Idescat before submitting the article for publication.
- 9. I will provide Idescat with any other information about the research affecting confidentiality before it is disseminated, if it asks this of me. In particular, if new tables of magnitudes are generated, the number and weight of the contribution of each component of the value of a cell shall be detailed for the purpose of determining its degree of security.
- 10. I am aware that access to the microdata file is fixed for a period of months from the date of signature of this document. If it is necessary to continue using this information after this period has expired, I will request this from Idescat beforehand, and Idescat will evaluate the extension of the release period. If it authorises this extension, it shall be formalised in an annex to this document.
- 11. Once the released data have been used, I will guarantee the destruction of the microdata files provided by Idescat and any other partial or total reproduction of the same, whatever the material medium, and I will notify Idescat of this fact in writing. In any case, the deadline for destroying the information released shall be the following date:
- 12. I undertake to inform Idescat of any change in my contact details provided on the form for access to confidential data for scientific purposes, in order to keep my contact details permanently up to date.
- 13. I undertake to acknowledge all the privileges granted by Idescat with the following text: "This [study/research project/article] is based on data provided by Idescat [you must specify the statistical source and the reference period]." When the results are disseminated, I undertake to add the following text: "The responsibility for all conclusions drawn from the data provided shall be the sole responsibility of the author(s)."
- 14. I will communicate to Idescat the references of the publications and articles derived from the research carried out with the data provided as soon as they are publicly disseminated, and I authorise Idescat to disseminate them on its website or in any other medium.

- 15. I am aware that if I, or my research team, fail to comply with the established obligations, I may be subject to the penalties established by law and that Idescat will have the right to demand such penalties, in accordance with the legally established procedures.
- 16. I will immediately notify Idescat of any incident or breach that may occur in relation to the aforementioned obligations or procedures.

Signature of the principal investigator and the head of the research centre of which he/she is a member

Barcelona, dd/mm/yyyy

Information on data protection

Data controller: Statistical Institute of Catalonia

Purpose: Your data will be processed for the management derived from the processing of requests for statistical information for scientific purposes.

Rights of the data subject: You may access your data, request its rectification or erasure, and oppose or restrict its processing by sending your request to Idescat by email at adpd@idescat.cat or by post to Via Laietana 58, 08003, Barcelona, providing proof of your identity.

Additional information: Please refer to the data protection policy.

I declare that I have made the persons for whom I have provided data in this form aware of the data I have provided and of the information regarding data protection.