

# STREET POLITICS IN CENTRAL UGANDA

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## **Potential Participants' Information Sheet**

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You are being invited to take part in an academic research study. Before you decide whether or not to take part, it is important that you understand why the research is being done and what it will involve. Please take time to read the following information carefully.

This study is carried by Dr Florence Brisset-Foucault, a Junior Research Fellow in Political Science from Trinity College Cambridge. The research is carried as part of Dr Brisset-Foucault's research fellowship. It aims at better understanding the role demonstrations have played in the politics of Uganda in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries.

The research is based on archives analysis, observations, individual interviews and focus group discussions. Interviewees are participants in demonstrations and/or in groups involved in the organisation of demonstrations, State officials, journalists, citizens etc. They are chosen randomly during demonstrations (when the researcher met them in the street), during meetings of associations or political parties to which the researcher was granted access by the organizers, or according to a snowball sampling method (that means that the contact was given to the researcher by one of the participant's acquaintances who was him/herself part of the research). Interviews usually take around one hour, but might be shorter or longer depending on your availability.

It is of course totally up to you to decide whether or not to take part in the research. If you do decide to take part you will be given this Information Sheet to keep and be asked to sign a consent form. You will of course, be free to withdraw at any time and without giving a reason. The transcription or recording of the interview will be available to you on request.

Taking part in academic research is important for the general advancement of knowledge and the enhancement of teaching. A better and nuanced understanding of the complexities of our rapidly changing societies is key for the improvement of policy decisions and the recognition and respect of cultures and individuals. From the material collected during the research, the Principal Investigator expects several academic outcomes such as a book and journal articles. A copy of the published results will be available to participants on request.

All the information collected through the interviews or focus group discussions will be kept strictly confidential. No other person than the researcher will have access to the empirical material. The data will be anonymised on request and then safely stored in its electronic version.

For more information, you can contact Dr Brisset-Foucault on [feb37@cam.ac.uk](mailto:feb37@cam.ac.uk)

Thank you !