

A GLIMPSE OF THE ETHICAL DIMENSION IN RESEARCH

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Research design key points

- Define the research question
- The research questions need to be formalized into research objectives
- Based on the above stages field instruments have to be developed and pretested
- The field team needs to be extensively trained and a field strategy and work plan evolved

- **International/interdisciplinary research in various places of the world:** *Be aware of the cultural specificities of the study area*



- Be aware of the context! It may be of great importance to be aware of ***“the historical specificities” of individual villages.***
- researchers may face ethical and at times legal dilemmas in the course of the research

- **Ethical Guidelines** :provide a framework which will guide the research
- Researchers must consider the effects of the research, and especially consequences coming from the misuse of data for the community/individuals where the field work is done, for the field team/colleagues/organization and for the wider society.
- -The dignity, privacy and interests of the informants should be protected at all time
- -Confidentiality/anonymity

- **PRIORITY** :maintain **HIGH STANDARDS OF INTEGRITY, RESPONSIBILITY** and **ACCOUNTABILITY** in the research we undertake/support.
- This applies to all aspects of the research from collection, recording, citing and reporting of scientific material.