

## Contribution terms and conditions

This agreement outlines the terms and conditions under which Research Solutions UK Limited accepts financial contributions to the About Early Years research programme.

Ceeda, a division of Research Solutions UK Limited (RSUK), Company No. 4709056, registered address 14 High Street, Yarm, Stockton on Tees, TS15 9AE, would like to provide an opportunity for individuals or organisations to make a financial contribution to the About Early Years research programme, to support the continued production of high quality, independent evidence on key sector issues.

Contributions will be used by RSUK to support the About Early Years research programme. These Terms and Conditions govern the relationship between RSUK and each contributor, including the terms on which contribution may be accepted, refused, or returned by RSUK. Contributions will be accepted in the form of a one-off payment as described in these Terms and Conditions.

### Terms used in this agreement

For the purposes of this agreement the terms;

“we” and “us” and “our”, refer to Research Solutions UK Limited

“contribution” refers to a one-off payment to support delivery of the About Early Years research programme

“contributor”, “you”, “your” and “yourself” refer to the person, business or other legal entity making a contribution.

### 1. Agreement

- 1.1. By making a contribution, a contributor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 1.2. The contribution is provided to RSUK as an irrevocable gift, subject to any exercise of the contributor’s right to receive a refund as described below and RSUK’s right to return any contribution at its discretion;
- 1.3. The contribution will be used by RSUK to support its research operations; and
- 1.4. The contribution is made subject to these Terms and Conditions, which shall constitute a legally binding agreement between the contributor and RSUK (the “Agreement”), entered into by each party in consideration of the other’s obligations under these Terms and Conditions.

### 2. Conditions

- 2.1. Contributions will be accepted from individuals as well as any other legal entities.
- 2.2. Contributors who are individuals must be aged 18 or over.
- 2.3. If you are entering into this agreement on behalf of a company or other legal entity you represent that you have the authority to bind such entity and its affiliates to these terms and conditions, in which case the terms “Contributor” shall refer to such entity and affiliates. If you do not have such authority, or if you do not agree with these terms and conditions, you must not accept this agreement and may not make a contribution.

### 3. Administration of contributions

- 3.1. All contributions to RSUK shall be made through the contributions page on the [aboutearlyyears.co.uk](http://aboutearlyyears.co.uk) webpage.
- 3.2. Each contribution will be identifiable by a unique merchant identification number.
- 3.3. The unique merchant number will be issued by email to the contributor.

- 3.4. The unique merchant number will be used to account for contribution income in RSUK company accounts.
- 3.5. From the point the contribution is processed, RSUK will be legally and beneficially entitled to the full amount of the contribution and the contributor has no entitlement to the return of a contribution in any circumstances other than as specified in these Terms and Conditions.
- 3.6. The contributor shall receive no direct benefit in return for any contribution and shall have no rights to influence the research methodology or research outputs of RSUK.
- 3.7. Contributions to RSUK are not charitable donations under the law of England & Wales and to our knowledge, contributors shall not be entitled to any tax relief in respect of their contributions nor are any contributions eligible for “gift aid” either in the United Kingdom or in any other jurisdiction worldwide.

#### **4. Refunds and cancellation of contributions**

- 4.1. RSUK reserves the right to refuse and return any contribution in its absolute discretion, including without limitation where it believes that accepting the contribution would conflict with the mission, values or interests of RSUK, and/or where, having regard to the source of the contribution or intentions of the contributor, RSUK considers that to accept the contribution could damage the independence or reputation of RSUK or adversely affect the relationship of RSUK with other contributors or stakeholders.
- 4.2. Contributors shall be entitled to receive a refund of their contribution for up to 14 days after receipt of payment by notifying RSUK by email at [aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk](mailto:aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk).
- 4.3. Any requests for a refund of a contribution received by RSUK following expiry of the 14-day period will be ineligible.
- 4.4. Any refused and/or returned contributions shall be repaid into the account from which the contribution was made.

#### **5. Confidentiality and publicity**

- 5.1. Contributors shall be entitled to publicise their contribution on the [aboutearlyyears.co.uk](http://aboutearlyyears.co.uk) website using the on-line facility provided.
- 5.2. Contributors shall not be entitled to market themselves or any connected person, business or legal entity as a sponsor, partner or affiliate of RSUK, Ceeda or the About Early Years programme.
- 5.3. Organisations and individuals interested in sponsorship and/or partnership opportunities should contact [aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk](mailto:aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk)

#### **6. Data protection and privacy**

- 6.1. If a contributor opts in to receive information relating to Ceeda’s research activities via the email address supplied by the contributor then he or she may unsubscribe at any time by contacting [aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk](mailto:aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk), or clicking the unsubscribe link in emails received from Ceeda.
- 6.2. Any personal information about a contributor obtained by RSUK as a result of a contribution being made will be used in accordance with the [www.aboutearlyyears.co.uk](http://www.aboutearlyyears.co.uk) [privacy policy](#)
- 6.3. By making a contribution, the contributor accepts the terms and conditions of this [privacy policy](#).

#### **7. Exclusion of liability**

- 7.1. Neither RSUK nor any affiliated person, employee, agent, officer or director shall be liable for any loss suffered by any donor or other person arising out of or in connection with a contribution, whether direct or indirect, including loss of revenue, loss of profits, loss of business or anticipated savings, loss of use, loss of goodwill, loss of data, and whether caused by tort (including negligence), breach of contract or otherwise, except in respect of any liability for death or personal injury or any other liability which cannot be excluded or limited under applicable law.

#### **8. Miscellaneous**

- 8.1. A failure of RSUK to assert a right or provision under these Terms and Conditions shall not constitute a waiver of that right or provision.
- 8.2. If any provision of these Terms and Conditions is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable for any reason, that provision shall be eliminated or limited to the minimum extent such that the remaining provisions of these Terms and Conditions will continue in full force and effect.
- 8.3. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the contributor and RSUK in respect of any contributions made by the contributor.
- 8.4. These Terms and Conditions are not intended to confer any contractual benefit on any person pursuant to the terms of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.
- 8.5. The Agreement and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it will be governed by English law and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England and Wales.

## **9. Customer services**

- 9.1. If you have a query or complaint about your contribution, please contact us using any of the contact details below:
- 9.2. Email: [aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk](mailto:aboutearlyyears@ceeda.co.uk)
- 9.3. Phone: free from a landline 0800 6785192. Lines are open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm. Calls from mobiles may be charged.