

Ethical Approval Application

Master of International Politics, Lanzhou University

Project Title: Yemeni Perspectives on China's Role in Yemen's Politics and Development: Perceptions, Relations, and Political Dynamics (2012–2025).

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Section A Project Information

Item	Details
Project Title	Yemeni Perspectives on China's Role in Yemen's Politics and Development: Perceptions, Relations, and Political Dynamics (2012–2025).
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Estimated Start Date	April 2025
Estimated End Date	November 2025
Estimated Start of Fieldwork	May 2025
Estimated End of Fieldwork	November 2025

Section B Ethics Approval Statement

Ethical approval for this study will be sought from the Institutional Review Board (IRB) of Lanzhou University. The research will comply with all relevant national and institutional ethical guidelines.

- Ethical approval for this study will be requested from the Ethics Committee of Lanzhou University, School of Politics and International Relations (application pending approval) as a requisite for the Journal.
- If secondary data from national surveillance sources or health records are used, all necessary data use permissions and de-identification processes will be followed prior to analysis.

Participants and Data Sources

- The study will use Primary data with human participants through Online survey.
- Data will include Yemeni People views on China and their attitude towards the Chinese project “Belt and Road Initiative” in Yemen.

Recruitment, Consent, and Confidentiality

- **Data Source:** Outcome from the online survey.
- **Consent:** As retrospective and anonymized data will be used, individual consent is not required under standard practice, but institutional permission and ethical approval are mandatory.
- **Confidentiality:** All data will be handled according to university and international data protection policies. Personal identifiers (if present) will be removed.

Risks and Mitigation

- No direct risks to participants, as only Primary data are used.
- Strict adherence to confidentiality and data protection guidelines.

Section D Ethics Checklist

Section E Additional Statements

Question	Yes/ No	Notes
Will non-anonymized or identifiable data be used?	No	Only anonymized, aggregated data will be used
Will data include photographs, audio, or video recordings?	No	
Any risk of physical or psychological harm to researcher or subjects?	No	
Are participants given a chance to withdraw from study?	N/A	Not applicable (retrospective anonymized data)
Involvement of vulnerable groups?	No	
Any risk of harm/detriment to participants?	No	
Access to sensitive data about living individuals?	Yes	Data will be anonymized and managed per protocols
Has any similar application been refused before?	No	

Informed Consent

Not applicable—only anonymized secondary data will be analyzed.

Animal Welfare

Not applicable—no animals involved.

Funding

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Conflict of Interest

The author(s) declare(s) no conflict of interest.

Section F Declarations

Researcher Declaration:

I confirm that the information in this application is accurate and that I will conduct the research in accordance with institutional and professional ethical guidelines. Should the protocol change in any way, I will seek further approval as required.

Student's Signature:

BinAmmar

Date: 2025/11/26



Supervisor Declaration:

As the supervisor for this project, I confirm that all research ethical issues have been considered in accordance with Lanzhou University policy and public health research guidelines.

Supervisor's Signature:

Prof. Zhou Changxian

Date: 2025/12/14

