# https://www.acurilconference.com Privacy Policy

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# **Purpose**

The purpose of this privacy policy (this "Privacy Policy") is to inform users of our Site of the following:

- 1. The personal data we will collect;
- 2. Use of collected data;
- 3. Who has access to the data collected;
- 4. The rights of Site users; and
- 5. The Site's cookie policy.

This Privacy Policy applies in addition to the terms and conditions of our Site.

#### **GDPR**

For users in the European Union, we adhere to the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016, known as the General Data Protection Regulation (the "GDPR"). For users in the United Kingdom, we adhere to the GDPR as enshrined in the Data Protection Act 2018. We have not appointed a Data Protection Officer as we do not fall within the categories of controllers and processors required to appoint a Data Protection Officer under Article 37 of the GDPR.

#### Consent

By using our Site users agree that they consent to the conditions set out in this Privacy Policy.

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The legal basis for us to process your personal data is that you have provided your consent to that processing, you may withdraw your consent at any time. If you withdraw your consent, it will not make processing which we completed before you withdrew your consent unlawful.

You can withdraw your consent by: sending an email to info@acurilconference.com

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### **Legal Basis for Processing**

We collect and process personal data about users in the EU only when we have a legal basis for doing so under Article 6 of the GDPR.

We rely on the following legal bases to collect and process the personal data of users in the EU:

- 1. Users have provided their consent to the processing of their data for one or more specific purposes;
- 2. Processing of user personal data is necessary for us or a third party to pursue a legitimate interest. Our legitimate interest is not overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of users. Our legitimate interest(s) are: The information will be important to inform about future conferences; and
  - 3. Processing of user personal data is necessary for us to take, at the request of a user, steps before entering a contract or for the performance of a contract to which a user is a party. If a user does not provide the personal data necessary to perform a contract the consequences are as follows: It will not be possible to finalize registration for users, sponsors or exhibitors.

### **Personal Data We Collect**

We only collect data that helps us achieve the purpose set out in this Privacy Policy. We will not collect any additional data beyond the data listed below without notifying you first.

**Data Collected Automatically** 

When you visit and use our Site, we may automatically collect and store the following information:

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- 1. IP address:
- 2. Clicked links;
- 3. Content viewed;
- 4. Contact information: Name, Institution, email, address, phone number, postal code, city, country and any other information relevant;
- 5. Program content: abstract, position, institution, picture, abstracts and any other information relevant;
- 6. Registration: account number, credit card number and other information to finalize registration of user, sponsors & exhibitors; and
- 7. Any other date submitted by the user, sponsor or exhibitor.

Data Collected in a Non-Automatic Way

We may also collect the following data when you perform certain functions on our Site:

- 1. First and last name;
- 2. Age;
- 3. Date of birth;
- 4. Sex;
- 5. Email address:
- 6. Phone number;
- 7. Address;
- 8. Payment information; and
- 9. Institution, position.

This data may be collected using the following methods:

1. Registration as participant, sponsor or exhibitor.

### **How We Use Personal Data**

Data collected on our Site will only be used for the purposes specified in this Privacy Policy or indicated on the relevant pages of our Site. We will not use your data beyond what we disclose in this Privacy Policy.

The data we collect automatically is used for the following purposes:

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1. Statistics, registration, promotion of the conference, call for papers, conference program content.

The data we collect when the user performs certain functions may be used for the following purposes:

- 1. To finalize invoices and payments;
- 2. For the organization of the conference (e.g. invitation letters, conference program, conference dedication); and
- 3. For the promotion of the annual conference.

# Who We Share Personal Data With

**Employees** 

We may disclose user data to any member of our organization who reasonably needs access to user data to achieve the purposes set out in this Privacy Policy.

Third Parties

We may share user data with the following third parties:

1. Bank.

We may share the following user data with third parties:

1. Links clicked while using site.

We may share user data with third parties for the following purposes:

1. Finalize payments.

Third parties will not be able to access user data beyond what is reasonably necessary to achieve the given purpose.

Other Disclosures

We will not sell or share your data with other third parties, except in the following

cases: 1. If the law requires it;

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- 2. If it is required for any legal proceeding;
- 3. To prove or protect our legal rights; and
- 4. To buyers or potential buyers of this company in the event that we seek to sell the company.

If you follow hyperlinks from our Site to another Site, please note that we are not responsible for and have no control over their privacy policies and practices.

### **How Long We Store Personal Data**

User data will be stored until the purpose the data was collected for has been achieved. You will be

notified if your data is kept for longer than this period.

#### **How We Protect Your Personal Data**

In order to protect your security, ACURIL uses technical and administrative processes to encrypt and store data.

While we take all reasonable precautions to ensure that user data is secure and that users are protected, there always remains the risk of harm. The Internet as a whole can be insecure at times and therefore we are unable to guarantee the security of user data beyond what is reasonably practical.

#### **International Data Transfers**

We transfer user personal data to the following countries:

### 1. Guyana.

When we transfer user personal data we will protect that data as described in this Privacy Policy and comply with applicable legal requirements for transferring personal data internationally.

If you are located in the United Kingdom or the European Union, we will only transfer your personal data if:

The country your personal data is being transferred to has been deemed to have adequate data protection by the European Commission or, if you are in the United Kingdom, by the United Kingdom adequacy regulations; or

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2. We have implemented appropriate safeguards in respect of the transfer. For example, the recipient is a party to binding corporate rules, or we have entered into standard EU or United Kingdom data protection contractual clauses with the recipient..

### Your Rights as a User

Under the GDPR, you have the following rights:

- 1. Right to be informed;
- 2. Right of access;
- 3. Right to rectification;
- 4. Right to erasure;
- 5. Right to restrict processing;
- 6. Right to data portability; and
- 7. Right to object.

#### Children

The minimum age to use our website is 18 years of age. We do not knowingly collect or use personal data from children under 16 years of age. If we learn that we have collected personal data from a child under 16 years of age, the personal data will be deleted as soon as possible. If a child under 16 years of age has provided us with personal data their parent or guardian may contact our privacy officer.

### How to Access, Modify, Delete, or Challenge the Data Collected

If you would like to know if we have collected your personal data, how we have used your personal data, if we have disclosed your personal data and to who we disclosed your personal data, if you would like your data to be deleted or modified in any way, or if you would like to exercise any of your other rights under the GDPR, please contact our privacy officer here:

info@acurilconference.com	

# How to Opt-Out of Data Collection, Use or Disclosure

In addition to the method(s) described in the *How to Access, Modify, Delete, or Challenge the Data Collected* section, we provide the following specific opt-out methods for the forms of collection, use, or disclosure of your personal data specified below:

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1. You can opt-out the use of your personal data for marketing emails. You can opt-out by sending an email to unsubscribe.

# **Cookie Policy**

A cookie is a small file, stored on a user's hard drive by a website. Its purpose is to collect data relating to the user's browsing habits. You can choose to be notified each time a cookie is transmitted. You can also choose to disable cookies entirely in your internet browser, but this may decrease the quality of your user experience.

We use the following types of cookies on our Site:

### 1. Functional cookies

Functional cookies are used to remember the selections you make on our Site so that your selections are saved for your next visits.

#### **Modifications**

This Privacy Policy may be amended from time to time in order to maintain compliance with the law and to reflect any changes to our data collection process. When we amend this Privacy Policy we will update the "Effective Date" at the top of this Privacy Policy. We recommend that our users periodically review our Privacy Policy to ensure that they are notified of any updates. If necessary, we may notify users by email of changes to this Privacy Policy.

# **Complaints**

If you have any complaints about how we process your personal data, please contact us through the contact methods listed in the *Contact Information* section so that we can, where possible, resolve the issue. If you feel we have not addressed your concern in a satisfactory manner you may contact a supervisory authority. You also have the right to directly make a complaint to a supervisory authority. You can lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority by contacting the via email info@acurilconference.com. Any complaint will be processed in a four (4) weeks period, unless delays beyond the control of ACURIL.

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