

## **Global Research Network**

## **PRIVACY POLICY**

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- 1. Your use of the Global Research Network (GRN) site gives us your consent to the use of personal information as set out below.
- 2. We gather the following anonymous information in aggregate form: browser type (e.g. Internet Explorer, Netscape Navigator), operating system (e.g. Windows, MacOS, Linux), IP address, and internet domain (e.g. Demon, AOL).
- 3. If your computer allows us to, we will use 'cookies' to store certain types of information each time you interact with us. Cookies enable our system to recognise your computer and allow us to see how our members use the Site. This may include tracking the areas of the Site you visit to see what interests you in particular, and which third party sites you access before and after.
- 4. Personal Information will be stored by and may be used by us:
  - to enable us to develop, improve and market our products and services to you and our other customers / members;
  - for market research and statistical analysis; and
  - for general business purposes and as otherwise permitted by law or regulation
- 5. We may analyse and assess your personal information to enable us to:
  - understand more about you; and
  - design, select and offer products and services that we consider may be of interest to you
- 6. The GRN will keep any relevant information you send us in secure files for the duration of your membership for the purposes of carrying out your requested work. These files will be in at least 1 of our
  - cloud storage;
  - members' management database;
  - on our business computers; and / or
  - in our email system
- 7. We will not transfer personal data about you to any country outside of the European Economic Area without first ensuring that adequate protections are put in place for your benefit in accordance with best industry practice and the Data Protection Act 1998.
- 8. We will not share any of this information with a third party without your consent. Third parties do not include (permanent, part-time, casual, consultant) staff members of the GRN.

- 9. GRN members have the right to rectify nearly all data are editable by the Members through their profile; any restricted items which are incorrect can be amended by communication with the administrators and will be corrected within 1 month of receipt of the request
- 10. GRN members can withdraw consent for their data to be held at any time, and terminate their membership according to the separate GRN Terms and Conditions documentation. Most of the data stored for Members of the GRN are entirely voluntary, save for those required to communicate with the members. In addition, the GRN operates 'granular consent' where each Member can adjust their Privacy settings individually for all data which are visible to other members to override the default privacy for any data variable.
- 11. You can request a copy of your records at any time and request changes to the records we keep at any time. Please email us any requests, including your full name and a description of the information that you need. Your request will be reviewed and responded to within one month of receipt.
- 12. The GRN is very happy to offer the right to erasure for all members upon leaving the GRN, should a leaving member wish to exercise the right they should email the administrators, and a confirmation will be sent within 1 month of receipt confirming erasure of all personal data about them.

