THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF INSPECTION AGENCIES LIMITED

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If you have any concerns about material which appears on this website, please contact us at Rue du Commerce 20-22, Brussels, Belgium and secretariat@ifia-federation.org.

Privacy Policy

Your privacy is essential for us. This Privacy Policy is applicable, inter alia, to (i) our website, (ii) all (commercial) relations between IFIA and its members, prospects and business partners and (iii) when visiting the building/office of IFIA.

This Privacy Policy includes information about the personal data collected by IFIA, as well as the manner in which IFIA uses and processes this personal data.

IFIA wishes to emphasize that it always attempts to act in accordance with (i) the Data Protection Act 2018 and/or (ii) the EU Regulation of 2016 concerning the protection of individuals with regards to the processing of personal data, regarding the free movement of such data and repealing Directive 95/46/EC and (iii) all (future) UK laws regarding the implementation of this Regulation.

Visiting the website, appealing on the services of IFIA, subscribing for the newsletter, any communication with IFIA, registration as a member, subscription to an event and downloading files implies your explicit approval (through disclosure of your personal information or opt-in) of the Privacy Policy and consequently how we collect, use and process your personal data.

Types of personal data

IFIA can collect and process the following personal data:

- Title
- Name
- Surname
- Position - function
- Nationality
- Sex
- E-mail address
- Telephone number (landline and/or mobile phone)
- Password
- Residence address
• ID number - Passport
• Birthdate
• Social media data
• Camera and video footage
• Company names
• Company address
• Employment details
• Examination records for certification schemes
• Invoicing and payment details
• License plate of vehicles
• Geographical location data
• IP-addresses
• All personal data provided in the ‘additional information’ when completing a contact form
• All personal data freely provided to IFIA (e.g. in light of correspondence with IFIA).

IFIA also automatically collects anonymous information regarding your use of the Website. As such, IFIA shall, for example, automatically log which sections of the Website and Platform you visit, which web browser you use, which website you visited when you obtained access to the Website. We cannot identify you through these data, but it allows IFIA to draw up statistics regarding the use of the Website.

Methods of personal data collection:

• These personal data are collected in the context of:
  • Visiting the Website
  • Collaboration with IFIA
  • Incoming and outgoing correspondence with IFIA
  • Visiting the office/building of IFIA
  • Creation of an account
  • Registration of candidates for certification schemes
  • Requesting an offer
  • Subscription to the newsletter (whether or not through the Website)
  • Appealing on the services of IFIA, whether or not through the Website and/or whether or not via the Website a mobile device
  • Subscription to a webinar/seminar/event/etc.
  • Exchanging business cards
  • Filling in membership form for prospective member
  • Verification of your identity (e.g. when a data subject contacts customer service)
  • Registration for events and workshops
  • Taking pictures, videos and minutes during events
  • Recording webinars and conference calls after prior consent
  • Registering visitors when entering the building
  • Invoicing

All personal data, collected by IFIA, are thus expressly and voluntarily provided by you.

Providing certain personal data is (sometimes) a requirement to be able to enjoy certain services (e.g. to gain access to certain parts of the Website, to subscribe to newsletters,
to participate in certain activities and events). In this respect, it shall be indicated which 
data must be provided mandatory and which data is optional.

**Use of personal data**

- IFIA can use your personal data for the following purposes:
  - Performance of the agreement with IFIA (incl. follow-up thereof)
  - Responding to questions (whether or not received through the contact form)
  - Optimising the quality, management and content of the Website
  - Sending newsletters, special briefings and bulletins
  - Sending invitations to events/webinars/workshops/round table discussions etc.
  - Creating statistics
  - Follow-up material and surveys after a meeting/event
  - Creation of an account (free or paying) and the confirmation thereof
  - Providing support/assistance (e.g. in case of problems)
  - Send updates based on your communication preferences and – where applicable – upon explicit consent
  - Conducting customer satisfaction studies, surveys and other market research
  - Registration of visitors at the office/building of IFIA
  - Confirmation of the subscription of an event
  - Issuing invoices and the collection thereof

Processing takes place on the following legal grounds, as the case may be:

- You have given consent to the processing of your personal data for one or more specific purposes
- Processing is necessary for the performance of the agreement with IFIA or in order to take steps at your request prior to entering into an agreement
- Processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which IFIA is subject
- Processing is necessary in order to protect your vital interests or of another natural person
- Processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest
- Processing is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by IFIA or by a third party, except where such interests are overridden by the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the data subject, which require protection of personal data.

**Disclosure of personal data to third parties**

IFIA shall not disclose your personal data to third parties, unless it is necessary in the context of performing the agreement and optimisation thereof (including but not limited to IFIA). In this respect, your personal data may be disclosed to payment providers, software providers, cloud partner, transport partners, external consultants and service providers.

If it is necessary that IFIA discloses your personal data to third parties, the third party concerned is required to use your personal data in accordance with the provisions of this Privacy Policy.
Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is however possible that IFIA discloses your personal data:

To the competent authorities (i) if IFIA is obliged to do so under the law or under legal or future legal proceedings and (ii) to safeguard and defend our rights

If IFIA is taken over by a third party or merged with another organisation, its assets, including your personal data which IFIA has collected, shall be transferred to the new entity.

The contact details of IFIA members to other IFIA members after prior consent

To the participants of events after prior consent

In all other cases, IFIA will not sell, hire out or pass on your personal data to third parties, except when it (i) has obtained your permission to this end and (ii) has completed a data processing agreement with the third party in question, which contains the necessary guarantees regarding confidentiality and privacy compliance of your personal data.

Cross-border processing of personal data

Any transfer of personal data outside the European Economic Area (EEA) to a recipient whose domicile or registered office is in a country which does not fall under the adequacy decision enacted by the European Commission, shall be governed by the provisions of a data transfer agreement, which shall contain (i) the standard contractual clauses, as referred to in the 'European Commission decision of 5 February 2010 (Decision 2010/87/EC)', or (ii) any other mechanism pursuant to privacy legislation, or any other regulations pertaining to the processing of personal data.

Storage of personal data

Unless a longer storage period is required or justified (i) by law or (ii) through compliance with another legal obligation, IFIA shall only store your personal data for the period necessary to achieve and fulfil the purpose in question, as specified in the Privacy Policy under 'Use of personal data'.

Your privacy rights

In light of the processing of your personal data, you enjoy the following privacy rights:

- Right to oppose and/or object the processing of your personal data
- Right of access to your personal data
- Right to rectification, completion or update of your personal data
- Right to delete your personal data (i.e. 'right to be forgotten'). (Should this be done, certain services may no longer be accessible and/or can no longer be provided)
- Right to limit the processing of your personal data
- Right to transferability of your personal data
Should you wish to invoke your privacy rights, please contact secretariat@ifia-federation.org

In principle, you can exercise these rights free of charge via the above-mentioned form. In addition, you can always, via your personal account, update, modify and/or verify your personal data, which you were required to submit when creating your account.

If you no longer wish to receive newsletters or information IFIA, you can unsubscribe at any time by replying “unsubscribe” to any communication.

Security of personal data

IFIA undertakes to take reasonable, physical, technological and organisational precautions in order to avoid (i) unauthorised access to your personal information, and (ii) loss, abuse or alteration of your personal data.

IFIA shall store all personal data, which it has collected onsite and in the cloud with data centre(s) in and outside the EU.

Notwithstanding IFIA’ security policy, the checks it carries out and the actions it proposes in this context, an infallible level of security cannot be guaranteed. Since no method of transmission or forwarding over the internet, or any method of electronic storage is 100% secure, IFIA is, in this context, not in a position to guarantee absolute security.

Finally, the security of your account will also partly depend on the confidentiality and complexity of your password. IFIA will never ask for your password, meaning that you will never be required to communicate it personally. If you have nonetheless communicated your password to a third party – for example because this third party has indicated that it wishes to offer additional services - this third party shall have access to your account and your personal data via your password. In such cases, you are liable for the transactions which occur as a result of the use made of your account. IFIA therefore strongly advise you, if you observe that someone has accessed your account, to immediately change your password and contact us.

Update Privacy Policy

IFIA is entitled to update this Privacy Policy by posting a new version on the Website. As such, it is strongly recommended to regularly consult the Website and the page displaying the Privacy Policy, to make sure that you are aware of any changes.

If you have questions and/or remarks about this Privacy Policy or the manner in which IFIA collects, uses and/or processes your personal data, please contact us:

Via e-mail: secretariat@ifia-federation.org, or

Via post: Rue du Commerce 20-22, B-1000, Brussels, Belgium

In case you are not satisfied with the way IFIA handled your questions and/or remarks or have any complaints about the way IFIA collects, uses and and/or processes your
personal data, note that you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Privacy Commission.