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## GLOSSARY

**Agent:** The organisation operating the Identity Provider on behalf of the Home Organisation, if applicable.

**Attribute(s):** The End User's Personal Data as managed by the Home Organisation or its Agent and requested by the Service Provider, such as (but not limited to) name, e-mail and role in the Home Organisation.

**Data Controller:** shall mean the natural or legal person, public authority, agency or any other body which alone or jointly with others determines the purposes and means of the processing of personal data; where the purposes and means of processing are determined by national or Community laws or regulations, the controller or the specific criteria for his nomination may be designated by national or Community law.

**Data Processor:** shall mean a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or any other body which processes personal data on behalf of the controller.

**DPD:** Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.

**EEA:** European Economic Area

**End User:** any natural person affiliated with a Home Organisation, e.g. as a researcher or student, making use of the service of a Service Provider.

**End User Consent:** any freely given, specific, informed and unambiguous indication of the End Users wishes by which he or she, by a statement or by a clear affirmative action, signifies agreement to the processing of personal data relating to him or her.

**Federation:** An association of Home Organisations and Service Providers typically organised at national level, which collaborate for allowing cross-organisational access to services.

**Federation Operator:** An organisation that manages a trusted list of Identity and Service Providers registered to a Federation.

**GDPR:** Regulation (EU) 2016/679 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation).

**Home Organisation (HO):** The organisation with which an End User is affiliated, operating the Identity Provider by itself or through an Agent. It is responsible for managing End Users' identity data and authenticating them.

**Identity Provider (IdP):** The system component that issues Attribute assertions on behalf of End Users who use them to access the services of Service Providers.

**Personal Data:** any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural or legal person, if applicable.

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~~**Processing of personal data:** any operation or set of operations which is performed upon personal data, whether or not by automatic means, such as collection, recording, organisation, storage, adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making available, alignment or combination, blocking, erasure or destruction.~~

~~**Service Provider (SP):** An organisation that is responsible for offering the End User the service he or she desires to use.~~

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196 **PURPOSE OF THIS CODE OF CONDUCT**

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198 This Code of Conduct related to the sector of access management in the European Research Area is ruled  
199 by the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the  
200 protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of  
201 such data, ~~and repealing Directive 95/46/EC~~ (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR), ~~and repealing~~  
202 ~~Directive 95/46/EC.~~<sup>1</sup>

203 This Code of Conduct complies with the data protection principles stemming from the General Data  
204 Protection Regulation, taking account the specific characteristics of the processing carried out in the  
205 academic sector, and respecting the national provisions adopted by member states.

206 The Code of Conduct presents a harmonized approach to which Service Providers can commit when  
207 receiving End Users' personal data from the Home Organisations. Home Organisations will feel more  
208 comfortable to release affiliated End-User personal data to the Service Provider if they can see that the  
209 Service Provider has taken measures to properly protect the data.

210 This Code of Conduct constitutes a binding community code for the Service Providers that have committed  
211 to it.

212 Without prejudice to the provisions as set forth in the agreement between the **Home Organisation** and the  
213 **Service Provider**, which in all cases takes precedence, this Code of Conduct sets the rules that Service  
214 Providers adhere to when they want to receive End Users' Attributes from **Home Organisations** or their  
215 Agent for ~~providing~~enabling access to their services.

216 This Code includes three appendices, detailing best practices on how to adhere to the rules of the Code.

217 These appendices relate to:

- 218 (1) information duties towards **End Users**,
- 219 (2) information security guidelines for **Service Providers** and,
- 220 (3) enforcement procedures for non-compliance with the Code of Conduct.

221 ~~The Following article 40.2 of the~~ GDPR, the following principles and rules will apply to the whole Code  
222 of Conduct, ~~specifically:~~

- 223 (a) fair and transparent processing;
- 224 (b) the legitimate interests pursued by controllers in specific contexts;

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<sup>1</sup> For further information regarding the purposes of this Code of Conduct, see the Explanatory Memorandum GEANT Code of Conduct of 16 May 2017;

- 225 (c) the collection of personal data;
- 226 (d) the pseudonymisation of personal data;
- 227 (e) the information provided to the public and to data subjects;
- 228 (f) the exercise of the rights of data subjects;
- 229 (g) the measures and procedures referred to in Articles 24 and 25 of the GDPR and the measures  
230 to ensure security of processing referred to in Article 32 of the GDPR;
- 231 (h) the notification of personal data breaches to supervisory authorities and the communication of  
232 such personal data breaches to data subjects;
- 233 (i) the transfer of personal data to third countries or international organisations; or
- 234 (j) out-of-court proceedings and other dispute resolution procedures for resolving disputes between  
235 controllers and data subjects with regard to processing, without prejudice to the rights of data subjects  
236 pursuant to Articles 77.

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## 238 WHO CAN ADHERE THIS CODE OF CONDUCT?

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240 This Code of Conduct is addressed to any **Service Provider** established in any of the ~~28~~ Member States of  
241 the European Union and in any of the countries belonging to the European Economic Area (~~28~~all the  
242 Member States of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway).

243 Furthermore, **Service Providers** established in any third country offering an adequate level of data  
244 protection in the terms of the article 45 of the GDPR and International Organisations can also subscribe to  
245 this Code of Conduct.

246 ~~The~~In addition to this, Article 40.3 of the GDPR gives the opportunity to **Service Providers** that do not fall  
247 under the territorial scope of the Regulation (Article 3, territorial scope) and that are established outside of  
248 the EEA to join this Code of Conduct in order to provide appropriate safeguards within the framework of  
249 transfers of personal data to third countries or international organisations under the terms referred to in  
250 point (e) of Article 46(2).-

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## 252 CONTEXT

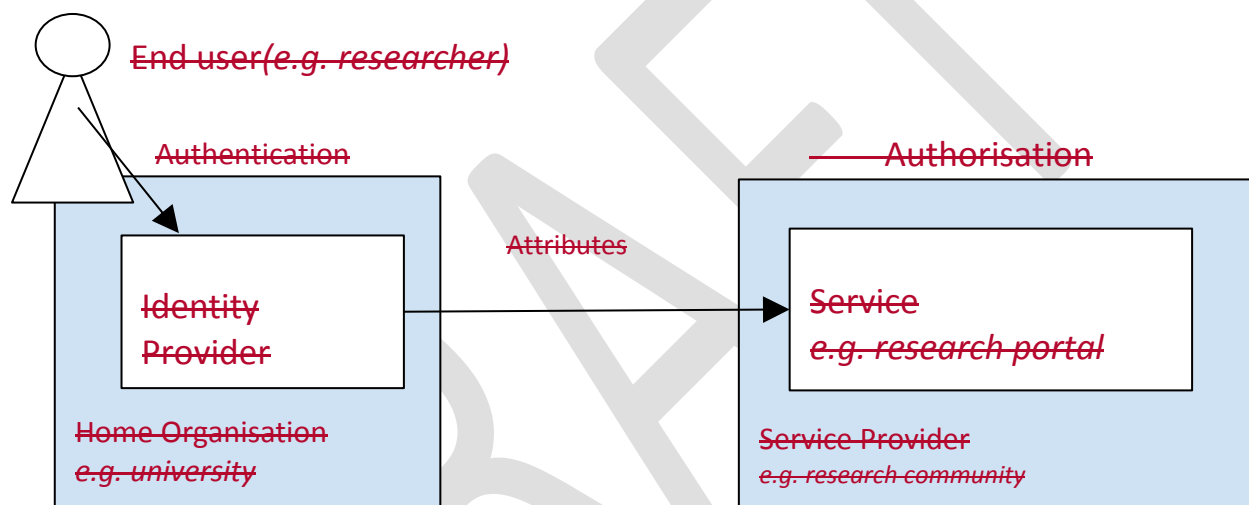
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254 ~~GÉANT is the pan-European research and education backbone network that interconnects Europe's~~  
255 ~~National Research and Education Networks (NRENs). Together with its national partners (the NRENs), the~~  
256 ~~GÉANT network offers network connectivity and associated services (such as an e-infrastructure for~~

257 ~~electronic identity) to over 10.000 research and education institutions in 42 countries, including all EU~~  
258 ~~Member States.~~

259 ~~Without a proper e-infrastructure for electronic identities, the researchers in the European Research Area~~  
260 ~~need to manage credentials for thousands of services, inhibiting effective co-operation and research and~~  
261 ~~creating administrative burdens. To provide an e-infrastructure for secure authentication, authorisation and~~  
262 ~~single sign-on of researchers and other End Users, a novel approach, Federated Identity Management is~~  
263 ~~deployed.~~

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269 ~~This Code of Conduct specifies the data protection rules applicable to **Service Providers** in the context of~~  
270 ~~the GÉANT federated identity management system, providing trust and confidence to all stakeholders~~  
271 ~~involved in the federated identity management. Not using the federated identity management system would~~  
272 ~~force the **End Users** either to register a local account and password and self-assert their attributes in the~~  
273 ~~**Service Provider** (which does not support information security) or to use a commercial Identity Provider~~  
274 ~~outside the EU/EEA territory and the countries with adequate protection, which does not necessarily~~  
275 ~~enhance their privacy.~~

276 ~~In federated identity management, an End User's **Home Organisation** (e.g.: the university or research~~  
277 ~~institution employing a researcher, the student's university, etc.) manages his personal data and user account.~~  
278 ~~When the **End User** wants to log in to a service provided by another organisation—potentially in a different~~  
279 ~~country—the Home Organisation authenticates them and releases the **Service Provider** the Attributes~~  
280 ~~necessary for the service.~~

~~This approach allows the user's Attributes and authentication to be managed in the **Home Organisation**, which has a close relationship with them, favouring the provenance and freshness of the Attributes and reducing the risk of an identity theft.~~

~~As a result, the End User has a **single set of credentials** (such as, username and password) and potentially a single sign-on that permits the End User to authenticate once and then access multiple services.~~

~~The **Service Provider** decides which users are authorised to access the service. Consequently, this approach requires that the **Home Organisations** feel confident to release their End Users' Attributes to the **Service Provider**.~~

~~This identification system also complies with the principle of **minimisation of personal data** (Article 5.e of the GDPR), as the Service Provider will not necessarily need to process further categories of personal data. For further information, see clause c. Data minimization.~~

~~In addition to this, taking into account the nature of the implementation and the purposes of processing, it can be confirmed that both the **Service Provider** and the **Home Organisation** have designed a system that complies, in an effective manner, with all the principles of the GDPR.~~

~~The **GÉANT** network integrates the necessary safeguards into the processing in order to meet the requirements of the GDPR and ensures protection of the rights of data subjects and principles such data protection by design and by default (Article 25 of the GDPR).~~

## SCOPE

This Code of Conduct is limited to the processing of **Attributes which are necessary released for enabling access to the Service**, as described in clause b. Purpose limitation.

In case the Service Provider uses the attributes for purposes other than enabling access to the service, these activities fall out of the scope of this Code of Conduct.

## ROLES OF THE PARTIES INVOLVED

~~As a reminder, the data controller is the **Home Organisation (HO)** which, alone or jointly with others, determines the purposes and means of the processing of personal data (e.g.: the university).~~

~~The data processor is the organisation which processes personal data on behalf of the controller.~~

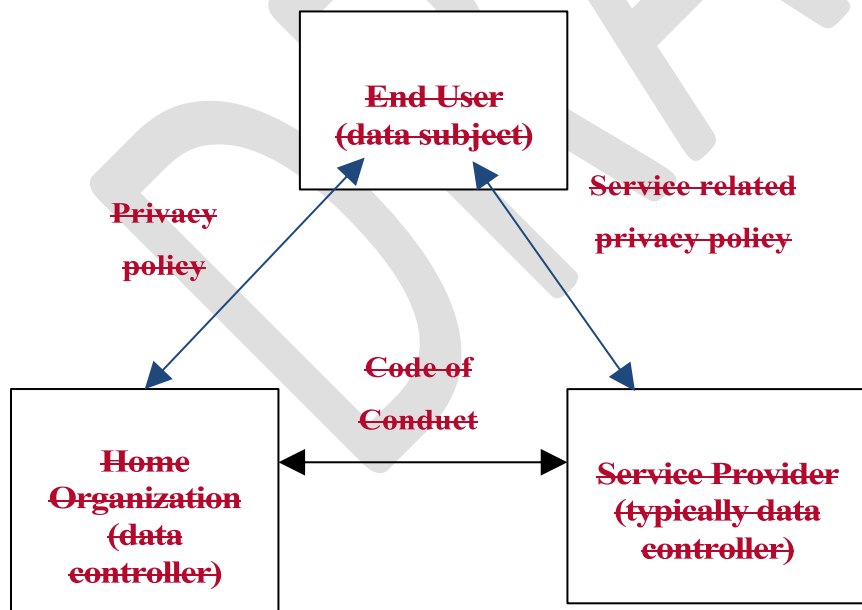
~~A data subject is the natural person whose **Attributes** are being processed, the **End User** (e.g: the researcher or the student).~~

This Code of Conduct is addressed to Service Providers acting as data controllers without prejudice of the processing agreement between the Service Provider and the Home Organisation as described in clause q. Precedence.

In the context of this Code of Conduct:

1. A **Home Organisation** acts as a data controller as to the wider relationship with the **End User**, for example operating the IdP server in respect of the **Attributes**. An Agent who operates the IdP server on behalf of the **Home Organisation** acts as a data processor. This includes also the Federation Operators who operate a (potentially centralised) IdP server on behalf of the **HOHome Organisation**.
2. A **Service Provider** acts as a data controller in respect of the **Attributes**, processing them for the purposes as described in the clause b. Purpose limitation. In certain circumstances a **Service Provider** may be acting as a data processor, acting on behalf and as instructed by the **Home Organisation**.
3. An **End User** acts as a data subject whose personal data are being processed for the purposes as described in clause b. Purpose limitation.

~~As presented in the picture below, the relevant data processing activities carried out by the Home Organisation are typically being described in the Home's Organisation privacy policy.~~



334 As far as the disclosure of the **Attributes** of the **End User** is concerned, the **Service Provider** is obliged  
335 to comply with the obligations of the Code of Conduct.

336 The processing of the **Attributes** by the **Service Provider** for enabling access to the service is further  
337 explained in the Service-related Privacy Policy.

338 In the case that a Federation and a Federated Federation operator do not process the **Attributes** of the **End**  
339 **User**, no specific privacy policy needs to be put in place between the End User and the Federation Operator.

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## 348 PRINCIPLES OF THE PROCESSING OF ATTRIBUTES

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350 To the extent the **Service Provider** acts as a data controller, it agrees and warrants:

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### A. LEGAL COMPLIANCE

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The Service Provider warrants to only process the Attributes in accordance with: this Code of Conduct, contractual arrangements with the Home Organisation or the relevant provisions of the Personal Data protection law applicable to the Service Provider.

354 Where the Service Provider processes the Attributes, the Service Provider shall comply with:

355 1. the processing agreement between the Home Organisation and the Service Provider

356 2. the provisions of this Code of Conduct; and

357 3. applicable Data Protection Laws

358 All personal data processing activities carried out in this context shall comply with the GDPR.

359 The **Service Provider** based in the EEA territory commits to process the End User's **Attributes** in  
360 accordance with the applicable European data protection legislation.

361 ~~The **Service Provider** based outside the EEA commits to process the End User's Attributes in accordance  
362 with the GDPR, this Code of Conduct and the eventual contractual arrangements (e.g: EU model clauses).~~

363 In principle, a Service Provider established in the EEA territory, subject to the European Data Protection  
364 legislation, ~~should~~**shall** not find himself in a situation where their national data protection laws would  
365 contradict this Code of Conduct.

366 The **Service Provider** based outside the EEA commits to process the End User's Attributes in accordance  
367 with the GDPR, this Code of Conduct and the eventual contractual arrangements (e.g: EU model clauses).

368 The **Service Provider** is expected to examine if any point in this Code of Conduct enters into conflict with  
369 the national data protection laws of his jurisdiction. In case of conflict of laws, the national law of his  
370 jurisdiction should be applicable. ~~However, and~~ the Service Provider shall not commit to the Code of  
371 Conduct.

372 **Service Providers** established outside the EEA territory but in a country offering an adequate data  
373 protection pursuant to Article 45 of the GDPR, should assess the compliance of this Code of Conduct with  
374 their local laws. The **Service Provider** shall ~~communicate any incompatibility~~**not commit** to the  
375 ~~community~~Code of Conduct.

376 As far as Service Providers established in countries outside the EEA territory without offering an adequate  
377 level of protection pursuant to Article 45 of the GDPR are concerned, they shall, together with this Code  
378 of Conduct, engage on binding and enforceable commitments to apply the appropriate safeguards, including  
379 as regards data subjects' rights.

380 **Service Providers** may be subject to internal regulations and policies of Intergovernmental Organisations.

381 Regarding the applicable law, ~~please,~~ see clause m. Governing law and jurisdiction. ~~Governing law and  
382 jurisdiction.~~

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388 In the event of conflict between the provisions of this Code of Conduct and the provisions of a contractual  
389 arrangement with the Home Organisation, see clause q. Precedence

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418 B. PURPOSE LIMITATION

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420 ~~The Service Provider warrants processing Attributes of the End User solely for the purposes of enabling~~  
421 ~~access to the services.~~

The Service Provider warrants processing Attributes of the End User solely for the purposes of enabling access to the services.

422 The Service Providers agree that the End User's personal data is ~~collected~~processed for ~~specific, explicit~~  
423 ~~and the purposes of the~~ legitimate ~~purposes~~interests pursued by the Service Provider. The Attributes shall  
424 not be further processed in a manner which is not compatible with the initial purposes (Article 5.b of the  
425 GDPR).

426 The Service Provider must ensure that Attributes are used only for enabling access to the service. As far as  
427 the use of Attributes deviating purposes is concerned, please, see clause ~~d. Deviating purposes~~.

428 d. Deviating purposes

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The Service Provider commits not to process the Attributes for further purposes than enabling access, unless the End User has given prior consent to the Service Provider (see Consent ).

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432 In practice, enabling access to the service covers:

433 • **Authorisation:** i.e. managing **End User's** access rights to services provided by the **Service**  
434 **Provider** based on the **Attributes**. Examples of such **Attributes** are those describing the End  
435 User's **Home Organisation** and organisation unit, their role and position in the **Home**  
436 **Organisation** (whether they are university members, students, administrative staff, etc.) and, for  
437 instance, the courses they are taking or teaching. The provenance of those **Attributes** is important  
438 for information security purposes; therefore, authorisation cannot be based on an Attribute that a  
439 user has self-asserted.

440 • **Identification** i.e. **End Users** need to have a personal account to be able to access their own files,  
441 datasets, pages, documents, postings, settings, etc. The provenanceorigin of an **Attribute** used for  
442 identification is important; to avoid an identity theft, one cannot self-assert their own identifier.  
443 Instead, the Identity Provider server authenticates them and provides the **Service Provider** an  
444 **Attribute** that contains their authenticated identifier.



- 445 • **Transferring real-world's trust** to the online world i.e. if the **Service Provider** supports a user  
446 community that exists also in the real world, **Attributes** can be used to transfer that community to  
447 the online world. For instance, if the members of the user community know each other's by name  
448 in the real world, it is important that their names (or other identifiers) are displayed also in any  
449 discussion or collaboration forum offered by the **Service Provider**. The provenancesource of those  
450 **Attributes** is important; to avoid identity theft, one cannot assume user's name to be self-asserted  
451 but retrieved from a trustworthy source.
  
- 452 • **Researcher unambiguity** i.e. ensuring that a researcher's scientific contribution is associated  
453 properly to them and not to a wrong person (with potentially the same name or initials). In the  
454 research sector, publishing scientific results is part of researchers' academic career and the  
455 researchers expect to receive the merit for their scientific contribution. There are global researcher  
456 identification systems (such as; ORCID and ISNI) which assign identifiers for researchers to help  
457 scientific Service Providers to properly distinguish between researchers, even if they change their  
458 names or organisation they are affiliated with.
  
- 459 • Accounting and billing: Personal data can be processed for accounting (for instance, that the  
460 consumption of resources does not exceed the resource quota) and billing purposes. In the research  
461 and education sector, the bill is not always paid by the End User but by their Home Organisation,  
462 project, grant or funding agency.
  
- 463 • Information Security: personal data can be processed for ensuring the integrity, confidentiality  
464 and availability of the service (e.g.: incident forensic and response)
  
- 465 • **Other functionalities** offered by the **Service Provider** for enabling access to the services, i.e.  
466 using **Attributes** of users for the purposes of other functionalities offered by the Service Provider.  
467 It is common that services on the Internet send e-mail or other notifications to their users regarding  
468 their services. Examples of scenarios where processing End User's email address or other contact  
469 detail falls within the scope of enabling access to the service include for instance:
  - 470 ▪ the End User's application to access scientificthe resources has been  
471 approved by the resource owner;
  
  - 472 ▪ the End User's permission to use a resource is expiring or they are running  
473 out of the resource allocation quota;
  
  - 474 ▪ someone has commented the End User's blog posting or edited their wiki  
475 page.

476 Conversely, processing End User's e-mail address for sending them commercial or unsolicited messages  
477 does not fall within the scope of enabling access to the service of the **Service Provider**.

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### 479 C. DATA MINIMIZATION

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511 ~~To minimize the Attributes requested from a **Home Organisation** to those that are adequate, relevant and~~  
512 ~~not excessive for enabling access to the service and, where a number of Attributes could be used to provide~~  
513 ~~access to the service, to use the least intrusive Attributes possible.~~

The Service Provider warrants to minimise the Attributes requested from a **Home Organisation** to those that are adequate, relevant and not excessive for enabling access to the service and, where a number of Attributes could be used to provide access to the service, to use the least intrusive Attributes possible.

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515 The following list presents examples of attributes that are **adequate, relevant and not excessive** for  
516 enabling access in the context of the service:

- 517 • an attribute (such as, eduPersonAffiliation, eduPersonEntitlement or schacHomeOrganisation)  
518 indicating the End User's permission to use the service:
  - 519 ▪ a trusted value provided by the IdP is needed instead of a value self-  
520 asserted by the End User
- 521 • an attribute (such as, SAML2 PersistentId) uniquely identifying the End User required, for instance,  
522 to store the End User's service profile:
  - 523 ▪ a trusted value provided by the IdP is needed. The End User cannot self-  
524 assert their unique identifier
- 525 • if there are several alternative unique identifiers available for the service, the least intrusive must  
526 be used
  - 527 ▪ pseudonymous bilateral identifier (such as, SAML2 persistentId) is  
528 preferred
  - 529 ▪ if there is a legitimate reason to match the same End User's accounts  
530 between two Service Providers, a Service Provider can request a more  
531 intrusive identifier (such as eduPersonPrincipalName or  
532 eduPersonUniqueID), whose value for a given user is shared by several  
533 Service Providers
  - 534 ▪ if there is a legitimate reason for an End User (such as, a researcher) to  
535 keep their identity and profile in the Service Provider even when the  
536 organisation they are affiliated with changes, a permanent identifier (such  
537 as, ORCID identifier) can be used
- 538 • a name attribute (such as encommonName or DisplayName attribute) is necessary for a wiki or  
539 other collaboration platform, if the End Users know each other in real life and need to be able to  
540 transfer their existing real-world trust to an online environment.

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- 565                   ▪           if ~~it makes a difference in~~ knowing the contributor's name is important for  
566                   the collaboration ~~platform to know,~~ the ~~person's name,~~ it can be released.
- 567                   ▪           otherwise, the user may be indicated as "unknown" or a pseudonym the  
568                   user has selected or the system has assigned to him/her.
- 569           •           e-mail address or other contact details, if it is necessary to contact the **End User** for the proper  
570           functioning of the services offered by the **Service Provider**.

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572 In the context of this Code of Conduct, under no circumstances a **Service Provider** is authorized to request  
573 End User's Personal Data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical  
574 beliefs, trade-union membership, genetic data, biometric data for the purposes of uniquely identifying a  
575 natural person or data concerning health or sex life or sexual orientation.

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577 **D. DEVIATING PURPOSES**

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579 ~~Service Providers commit not to process the Attributes for further purposes than enabling access, unless the~~  
580 ~~End User has given prior consent to the Service Provider.~~

The Service Provider commits not to process the Attributes for further purposes than enabling access, unless the End User has given prior consent to the Service Provider (see Consent ).

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582 If the Service Provider wants to use the Attributes for purposes other than “enabling access to the service”  
583 (see clause b. Purpose limitation), it can only do so only if the End User gives his or her consent to the  
584 Service Provider.

585 Examples of deviating purposes<sup>2</sup> are: including End User's e-mail address to a newsletter offering new  
586 services, selling the Attributes to third parties, transferring information to third parties such as the search  
587 history, profiling activities etc.

588 **E. DATA RETENTION CONSENT**

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<sup>2</sup> ~~Please, consult~~ Consult Article's 29 Working Party Opinion 03/2013 on purpose limitation. This document can guide the Service Provider to ascertain whether the purpose for the processing of the personal data is compatible or not.

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590 ~~Consent must be freely given, specific, informed and must unambiguously indicate the End User's wishes~~  
591 ~~by which he or she, by a statement or by a clear affirmative action, signifies agreement to the processing of~~  
592 ~~his or her personal data.~~

593 ~~In the context of this Code of Conduct, when consent is required,~~

594 ~~it can be provided by a written statement, including by electronic means. This could include ticking a box~~  
595 ~~when visiting an internet website, choosing technical settings for information society services or another~~  
596 ~~statement or conduct which clearly indicates the data subject's acceptance of the proposed processing of his~~  
597 ~~or her personal data. Consent shall always be documented. Furthermore, the End User shall be able to~~  
598 ~~withdraw his/her consent online.~~

599 ~~In certain jurisdictions, employees cannot freely give their consent if the processing is required for~~  
600 ~~performing their job. The same reasoning may apply with respect to students, as they cannot reasonably~~  
601 ~~refuse the processing of their Attributes.~~

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603 f.

The Service provider shall delete or anonymize all Attributes as soon as they are no longer necessary for the purposes of providing the service.

## 604 ~~DATA RETENTION~~

605 ~~The Service provider shall delete or anonymize all Attributes as soon as they are no longer necessary for~~  
606 ~~the purposes of providing the service.~~ Under the GDPR, anonymized data does not constitute personal data;  
607 therefore, anonymized data can be kept indefinitely.

608 The retention period of the **Attributes** depends on the particularities of the service and it needs to be decided  
609 by the **Service Provider**. However, a **Service Provider** shall not store the **Attributes** for an unlimited or  
610 indefinite period of time.

611 The **Service Provider** has to ~~decide a specific~~implement an adequate data retention ~~period for each~~  
612 ~~category~~policy compliant with the GDPR and other applicable data protection legislation. The existence of  
613 ~~personal data. This decision~~this policy must be ~~documented~~communicated in its ~~privacy~~the Service  
614 Provider's privacy policy (see clause ~~j. Information duty towards End User~~i. Information duty towards Home  
615 Organisation).

616 For instance, the **Attributes** could be deleted after the expiration of the **End User's** session in the web  
617 service. On the other hand, for other services, it may be necessary to store the **Attributes** for a longer period  
618 of time.

619 In principle the data must be deleted or anonymised if the **End User** (or their **Home Organisation**) no  
620 longer wishes to use the service.

621 ~~It has to be taken into account that~~However, in many cases, the **End User** does not explicitly inform the  
622 **Service Provider** that ~~he has stopped using~~they no longer wish to use the ~~services, he/she~~service, they just  
623 ~~does~~do not log in to the service anymore. In this case it is considered as a good practice to delete or  
624 anonymise the **End User's** personal data if ~~he/she has~~they have not logged in for 18 months.

625 On the other hand, ~~there are also circumstances where~~ an **End User** not signing in does not necessarily  
626 mean that ~~he/she~~they no longer ~~wishes~~wish to use the service. The **Service Provider** shall implement  
627 appropriate processes to manage this type of situations. For instance:

- 628 • if the service is an archive for scientific data, the researchers who deposit their datasets to the  
629 archive may still remain the owners or custodians of the dataset although they do not log in for a  
630 while.
- 631 • if the service is a Git (a widely used source code management system) an **End User** uses to publish  
632 their computer program code, the **End User** may still want to be able to log in and maintain their  
633 code, although they have not logged in for a while.
- 634 • if the service is a repository where researchers publish their scientific findings and contribution,  
635 the researchers still want to have their name and other **Attributes** attached to the finding, although  
636 they do not regularly log in.
- 637 • if the service is a collaborative application (such as, a wiki or a discussion board) where the **End**  
638 **User** has their name or other **Attribute** attached to their contribution to let the other users learn and  
639 assess the provenance of the contribution and attribute it to a specific person.

640 The Personal Data, including log files, do not need to be removed or anonymised as long as they are needed:

- 641 • for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical  
642 purposes;
- 643 • for compliance with a legal obligation which requires processing by ~~Union~~International, European  
644 or Member State law to which the **Service Provider** is subject;
- 645 • for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest;
- 646 • for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims, such as resource allocation or invoices;
- 647 • for exercising the right of freedom of expression and information.

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#### 649 **GF. RESPECT THE END USER'S RIGHTS**

650 ~~The Service Provider shall respect End User's rights, including the right to access to personal data, the right~~  
651 ~~to request correction of any inaccurate information relating to them and the right to request deletion of any~~  
652 ~~irrelevant Personal Data the Service Provider holds about him or her.~~

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654 **G. TRANSFER OF PERSONAL DATA TO THIRD PARTIES**

655 ~~The Service Provider shall not transfer Attributes to any third party (such as a collaboration partner) except~~  
656 ~~for:~~

The Service Provider shall not to transfer Attributes to any third party (such as a collaboration partner) except:

- a) if mandated by the Service Provider for enabling access to its service on its behalf, or
- b) if the third party is committed to the Code of Conduct or has undertaken similar duties considered sufficient under the data protection law applicable to the Service Provider or
- c) if prior Consent has been given by the End User.

657 ~~The Service Provider shall not transfer Attributes to any third party (such as a collaboration partner) except:~~

- 658 a) ~~if the third party is~~ a data processor, ~~if mandated by the Service Provider~~ for ~~enabling access to~~  
659 ~~its service on its behalf, or a data processor, the Service Provider~~ in which case an ordinary  
660 controller-processor relationship applies between the Service Provider and the third party  
661 working on behalf of the Service Provider. The Service Provider must conclude a written  
662 agreement with such data processor in accordance with applicable laws.
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- 664 b) ~~if the~~ third party which is also committed to the Code of Conduct. This is expected to be the  
665 case for various collaborative research scenarios, where the service is provided to the **End User**  
666 by several data controllers working in collaboration.

667 A typical scenario is a proxy setup where a research collaboration has a **Service Provider** that  
668 receives **Attributes** from **Home Organisations** and passes on (parts of) those **Attributes** to  
669 third parties providing the actual or additional services. In that case, the proxy **Service**  
670 **Provider** must make sure all third parties receiving Attributes are committed to the Code of  
671 Conduct or similar.

672 In contrast, if none of the **Attributes** received from the **Home Organisation** are being passed  
673 on, e.g. when only an internal identifier assigned by the proxy is sent to the third parties, the  
674 proxy does not need to make sure those third parties are committed to the Code of Conduct.

675 In a Service Provider proxy set-up, the organisation acting as the proxy (and operating the  
676 proxy server) needs to assume a role as the intermediary between the **Home Organisation** and  
677 the third party. For instance, the proxy needs to relay the suspected privacy or security breaches

703 to the **Home Organisation** or its Agent, as described in clause H. Security measures.  
704 ~~Security~~  
~~measures.~~

705 c) ~~other third parties but only~~ if prior consent has been given by the **End User** as described in  
706 ~~clause e.~~ Consent

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## 708 H. SECURITY MEASURES

709 ~~The Service Provider warrants taking appropriate technical and organisational measures to safeguard~~  
710 ~~Attributes against accidental or unlawful destruction or accidental loss, alteration, unauthorized disclosure~~  
711 ~~or access.~~

712 ~~These measures shall ensure a level of security appropriate to the risks represented by the processing and~~  
713 ~~the nature of the data to be protected, having regard to the state of the art and the cost of their implementation.~~

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715 The **Service Provider** shall implement the security measures described in Appendix 2: Information  
716 Security, technical and organisational guidelines for Service Providers. The Service Provider can also  
717 implement such additional security measures which, evaluated together, provide at least the same level of  
718 security as the level of security provided by the measures described in Appendix 2.

## 719 I. INFORMATION DUTY TOWARDS END USER

720 ~~The Service Provider shall provide at first contact the End User with a Privacy Policy.~~

721 ~~This Privacy Policy must be concise, transparent, intelligible and provided in an easily accessible form.~~

722 ~~The Privacy Policy shall contain at least the following information:~~

- 723 ● ~~the name, address and jurisdiction of the Service Provider;~~
- 724 ● ~~the contact details of the data protection officer, where applicable;~~
- 725 ● ~~the purpose or purposes of the processing of the Attributes;~~
- 726 ● ~~a description of the Attributes being processed as well as the legal basis for the~~  
727 ~~processing;~~

- 728 ~~• the third party recipients or categories of third party recipient to whom the Attributes~~
- 729 ~~might be disclosed, and proposed transfers of **Attributes** to countries outside of the~~
- 730 ~~European Economic Area;~~
- 731 ~~• the existence of the rights to access, rectify and delete the **Attributes** held about the~~
- 732 ~~**End User**;~~
- 733 ~~• the retention period of the **Attributes**;~~
- 734 ~~• a reference to this Code of Conduct;~~
- 735 ~~• the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority;~~
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This Privacy Policy must be concise, transparent, intelligible and provided in an easily accessible form.

The Privacy Policy shall contain at least the following information:

- the name, address and jurisdiction of the **Service Provider**; where applicable
- the contact details of the data protection officer, where applicable;
- the purpose or purposes of the processing of the **Attributes**;
- a description of the **Attributes** being processed as well as the legal basis for the processing;
- the third party recipients or categories of third party recipient to whom the Attributes might be disclosed, and proposed transfers of **Attributes** to countries outside of the European Economic Area;
- the existence of the rights to access, rectify and delete the **Attributes** held about the **End User**;
- the retention period of the **Attributes**;
- a reference to this Code of Conduct;
- the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority;

737 The Privacy Policy can be, for instance, linked to the front page of the service. It is important that the **End**

738 **User** can review the policy before they log in for the first time. The Privacy Policy shall use clear and plain

739 language.

740 The **Service Provider** may include additional information, but must include as a minimum the information

741 described above. The additional information could for example refer to the additional data processing

742 activities of the **Service Provider**.



743 Additional processing activities must comply with the provisions of clause d. Deviating purposes and be  
744 included in the Privacy Policy

745 The Service Providers are advised to make use of the Privacy Policy template that belongs to the supporting  
746 material of the Code of Conduct in Appendix 1: Information duty towards End Users.

#### 748 ~~K~~. INFORMATION DUTY TOWARDS HOME ORGANISATION

749 ~~The Service Provider commits to provide to the Home Organisation or its Agent at least the following~~  
750 ~~information:~~

- 751 ~~a) a machine-readable link to the Privacy Policy;~~
- 752 ~~b) indication of commitment to this Code of Conduct;~~
- 753 ~~c) any relevant updates or changes in the local data protection legislation that may affect this~~  
754 ~~Code of Conduct.~~

755 The Service Provider commits to provide to the Home Organisation or its Agent at least the following  
information:

- a) a machine-readable link to the Privacy Policy;
- b) indication of commitment to this Code of Conduct;
- c) any relevant updates or changes in the local data protection legislation that may affect this  
Code of Conduct.

756 GÉANT has put in place a scalable technical solution allowing Service Providers to add their adherence to  
757 this Code of Conduct and to communicate its privacy policy's URL. This information is shared with the  
758 Home Organisation's Identity Provider server prior to sharing the End User's Attributes to the Service  
759 Provider.

760 The current technical infrastructure is based on standard SAML 2.0 metadata management and distribution  
761 system operated by Federation operators. However, this Code of Conduct will apply despite the future  
762 changes in the technical infrastructure ~~may evolve over time.~~

#### 764 ~~L~~. SECURITY BREACHES

765 ~~The Service Provider commits to, without undue delay, report all suspected privacy or security breaches~~  
766 ~~(including unauthorized disclosure or compromise, actual or possible loss of data, documents or any device,~~  
767 ~~etc.) concerning the Attributes to the Home Organisation or its Agent and, where this is legally required,~~  
768 ~~to the competent data protection authority and/or to the End Users whose data are concerned by the security~~  
769 ~~or privacy breach.~~

794 ~~The **Home Organisations** or their **Agents** shall be informed without undue delay about any security~~  
795 ~~breaches relating to the **Attributes** they released to the **Service Providers**,~~

The **Service Provider** commits to, without undue delay, report all suspected privacy or security breaches, meaning any breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, personal data transmitted, stored or otherwise processed concerning the **Attributes** to the **Home Organisation** or its Agent and, where this is legally required, to the competent data protection authority and/or to the **End Users** whose data are concerned by the security or privacy breach.

796 Article 33 of the GDPR describes the conditions when a personal data breach must be notified to the  
797 supervisory authority. This clause imposes an obligation to notify also the Home Organisation, to allow  
798 them taking the necessary technical and organisational measures for mitigating any risk the **Home**  
799 **Organisation** may be exposed to.

800 For example, if the **Service Provider** ~~has doubts~~suspects that one or more user accounts in the **Home**  
801 **Organisation** has been compromised, the **Service Provider** contacting the **Home Organisation** enables  
802 the **Home Organisation** to take measures to limit any further damage (such as, suspend the compromised  
803 accounts) and to start the necessary actions to recover from the breach, if any.

804 ~~Regarding the contact point in the event of a security breach, the current technical infrastructure delivers~~  
805 ~~the~~The Service Provider shall use the security contact point of the Home Organisation or its Agent to the  
806 **Service Provider**. The **Service Provider** can use the contact points as provided in the technical infrastructure  
807 (currently, SAML 2.0 metadata), if available, for the reporting any suspected privacy or security breaches  
808 concerning the **Attributes** to the **Home Organisation** or its Agent. When a security contact is not provided,  
809 the Service Provider shall communicate with alternative contact points.

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811 Describe notification duties. When is it necessary to notify?

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## 813 K. LIABILITY

814 ~~The Service Provider agrees to hold harmless the **End User**, the **Home Organisation** as well as the Agent~~  
815 ~~who has suffered damage as a result of any violation of this Code of Conduct by the **Service Provider** as~~  
816 ~~determined in a binding and enforceable judicial ruling.~~

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The Service Provider agrees to hold harmless the **End User**, the **Home Organisation** as well as the  
Agent who has suffered damage as a result of any violation of this Code of Conduct by the **Service**  
**Provider** as determined in a binding and enforceable judicial ruling.

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818 In the event of damages related to the breach of this Code of Conduct (i.e.: using the **Attributes** for other  
819 purposes, storing sharing the **Attributes** with third parties etc.), the **Service Provider** will hold the other  
820 parties harmless following a binding and enforceable judicial ruling.

821 For example, in case an **End User** files a complaint against his or her **Home Organisation** for unlawful  
822 release of **Attributes**, and it turns out that a **Service Provider** has released the **Attributes** to a third party,  
823 the **Home Organisation** will be held harmless against the **End User** by the **Service Provider** if it can  
824 prove the **Service Provider** has not complied with all the obligations of this Code of Conduct.

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## 826 NL. TRANSFER TO THIRD COUNTRIES

### 827 ~~1. Transfers among Service Providers that have adhered to the Code of Conduct.~~

828 ~~This Code of Conduct constitutes an adequate legal basis for cross-border transfers of Attributes among the~~  
829 ~~Service Providers that have adhered to it, whether the Service Provider receiving the Attributes is~~  
830 ~~established in the European Economic Area or not.~~

### 831 ~~2. Transfers to parties that have not adhered to this Code of Conduct established outside the EEA~~

832 ~~The **Service Provider** guarantees that, when transferring **Attributes** to a party that has not adhered to this~~  
833 ~~Code of Conduct and that is based outside the European Economic Area or in a country without an adequate~~  
834 ~~level of data protection pursuant to Article 25.6 of the directive 95/46/EC or Article 45.1 of the GDPR, to~~  
835 ~~take appropriate measures~~

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### 1. Transfers to parties that have not adhered to this Code of Conduct established outside the EEA

The **Service Provider** guarantees that, when transferring **Attributes** to a party that has not adhered to this Code of Conduct and that is based outside the European Economic Area or in a country without an adequate level of data protection pursuant to Article 25.6 of the directive 95/46/EC or Article 45.1 of the GDPR, to take appropriate measures

### 2. Transfers among Service Providers that have adhered to the Code of Conduct.

This Code of Conduct constitutes an adequate legal basis for cross-border transfers of Attributes among the Service Providers that have adhered to it, whether the Service Provider receiving the Attributes is established in the European Economic Area or not.

837 Under European data protection legislation, transfers of personal data from the European Economic Area  
838 to third countries that do not offer an adequate level of data protection are restricted, unless the recipient  
839 territory ensures a so-called "*adequate level of protection*". However, there is an exhaustive list of  
840 derogations to this general prohibition that are relevant for this context:

- 862     ▪ **Consent of the End User:** The unambiguous consent of the data subject legitimates data transfers to  
863     third countries, even if the recipient does not offer an adequate level of protection. The Service  
864     Provider may rely on the End User’s freely given informed revocable Consent as described in **clause**  
865     **e. Data retentione-Consent.**
- 866     ▪ **Contractual guarantees:** The existence of an appropriate contractual framework, supported by  
867     Standard contract clauses, either adopted by the European Commission or by a supervisory authority,  
868     the use of appropriate safeguards such as Binding Corporate Rules or other legally binding and  
869     enforceable instruments are recognised methods of transferring personal data. The use of Standard  
870     contract clauses does not exclude the possibility for the contracting parties to include them in a wider  
871     contract nor to add other clauses as long as they do not enter in contradiction. When using EU model  
872     clauses, the Service Provider needs to verify and ascertain that the other party is able to comply with  
873     all contractual obligations set out in the model clauses, especially taking into account local law  
874     applicable to such party. [Reference to the section of IOs]

876     **EM.** GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

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878     ~~This Code of Conduct shall be interpreted in the light of the GDPR and of the guidance issued by the~~  
879     ~~European advisory body on data protection and privacy<sup>3</sup>.~~

880     ~~This Code of Conduct shall be governed by the national laws of the country in which the **Service Provider**~~  
881     ~~is established.~~

This Code of Conduct shall be interpreted in the light of the GDPR and of the guidance issued by the European advisory body on data protection and privacy<sup>4</sup>[always with prejudice to any privileges and immunities of Service Providers being International Organisations, as these are awarded by their constituent and/or statutory documents and international law.].

This Code of Conduct shall be governed by the national laws of the country in which the **Service Provider** is established.

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<sup>3</sup> ~~The Opinion 8/2010 on applicable law of the Article 29 Working Party, as updated in 2015, provides useful guidance on how to determine the applicable law in cross-national collaborations.~~

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908 Alternatively, the **Service Provider** and the **Home Organisation** can refer to this Code of Conduct in the  
909 case where the **Service Provider** processed personal data on behalf of the **Home Organisation**. In that  
910 scenario, the applicable law is the one of the **Home Organisation**.

911 Any disputes regarding the validity, the interpretation or the implementation of this Code of Conduct shall  
912 be settled before the competent courts of the country in which the **Service Provider** is established.

913 International Private Law shall apply in order to confirm the applicable law and to determine whether a  
914 **Service Provider** is established in a country or not.

915 The Privacy Policy requires specifying the jurisdiction and the applicable law (~~clause j. Information duty~~  
916 ~~towards End User).~~ clause I., Information duty towards End User.

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#### 918 PN. ELIGIBILITY

919 ~~The Service Provider must be implemented and executed by a duly authorized representative of the **Service**~~  
920 ~~**Provider**.~~

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The Service Provider must be implemented and executed by a duly authorized representative of the **Service Provider**.

922 Each **Service Provider** must make sure that this Code of Conduct is executed by a person or by several  
923 persons who has or have the right to commit the **Service Provider** to this Code of Conduct.

924 The person administering the service that receives **Attributes** must identify the person or body in his or her  
925 organisation that can decide if the **Home Organisation** commits to this Code of Conduct, as typically, the  
926 service administrator cannot take this decision on his own.

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#### 928 QO. TERMINATION OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT

929 ~~The **Service Provider** can only terminate adherence to this Code of Conduct in case of:~~

930 ~~• this Code of Conduct being replaced by a similar arrangement or~~

931 ~~• the termination of the service provisioning to the Home Organisation.~~

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The **Service Provider** can only terminate adherence to this Code of Conduct in case of:

- this Code of Conduct being replaced by a similar arrangement,
- the termination of the service provisioning to the Home Organisation or
- the effective notification provided by the authorised by the Service Provider to terminate its adherence to this Code of Conduct

933 Even after the **Service Provider** has terminated its adherence to the Code of Conduct, the Attributes  
934 received continue to be protected by the GDPR- (see p. Survival of the clauses).

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#### 936 R.P. SURVIVAL OF THE CLAUSES

937 ~~The **Service Provider** agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Code of Conduct that are intended to~~  
938 ~~survive due to their sense and scope after the end, lapse or nullity of this Code of Conduct.~~

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The **Service Provider** agrees to be bound by the provisions of this Code of Conduct that are intended to survive due to their sense and scope after the end, lapse or nullity of this Code of Conduct.[reference to gdpr and other cocos]

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#### 942 Q. PRECEDENCE

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944 ~~To comply with the stipulation that, in the event of conflict between a provision contained in this Code of~~  
945 ~~Conduct and a provision of the agreement concluded between the **Service Provider** and the **Home**~~  
946 ~~**Organisation**, the provision of the agreement concluded between **Service Provider** and **Home**~~  
947 ~~**Organisation** takes precedence over the provision of this Code of Conduct.~~

The Service Provider warrants to comply with the stipulation that, in the event of conflict between a provision contained in this Code of Conduct and a provision of the agreement concluded between the **Service Provider** and the **Home Organisation**, the provision of the agreement concluded between **Service Provider** and **Home Organisation** takes precedence over the provision of this Code of Conduct.

In case of conflict between the provisions of the agreement between the Service Provider and the Home Organisation, this Code of Conduct and/or the data protection legislation, the following order shall prevail:

1. the processing agreement between the Home Organisation and the Service Provider
2. the provisions of this Code of Conduct; and
3. Applicable Data Protection Laws

973 If a **Service Provider** has an agreement (possibly a data processing agreement) with (some of) the **Home**  
974 **Organisation(s)** and the agreement is in conflict with this ~~agreement~~Code of Conduct, that agreement has  
975 precedence.

976 This section allows the **Service Provider** to have a bilateral agreement overriding the Code of Conduct  
977 with some **Home Organisations**, meanwhile, this Code of Conduct will still applies to the other **Home**  
978 **Organisations** that have not entered in a bilateral agreement.

## 979 **CONSENT**

980 The Service Provider shall request for End User's consent in the following scenarios:

- 981 1. When the purposes are not cover in b. Purpose limitation
- 982 2. When the attributes are released to third parties that are not part of this Code of Conduct
- 983 3. When the attributes are released to third parties, which are not part to this Code of Conduct,  
984 based in countries not offering an adequate level of protection .

985 Consent must be freely given, specific, informed and must unambiguously indicate the **End User's** wishes  
986 by which he or she, by a statement or by a clear affirmative action, signifies agreement to the processing of  
987 his or her personal data.

988 In the context of this Code of Conduct, when consent is used (e.g. d. Deviating purposes, g. Transfer of  
989 personal data to third parties, 1. Transfer to third countries ), it can be provided by a written statement,  
990 including by electronic means. This could include ticking a box when visiting an internet website, choosing  
991 technical settings for information society services or another statement or conduct which clearly indicates  
992 the data subject's acceptance of the proposed processing of his or her personal data. Consent shall always  
993 be documented. Furthermore, the **End User** shall be able to withdraw his/her consent online.

994 Following Recital 43 of the GDPR, the Service Provider shall not rely on consent when there is a clear  
995 imbalance between the End User and the Service Provider.

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999 **APPENDIX 1: INFORMATION DUTY TOWARDS END USERS**

1000 This annex consists of two parts:

1001 I. How to develop a privacy policy.

1002 Although this is a mandatory obligation, practice has shown that many **Service Providers** have  
1003 problems in developing an appropriate privacy policy for the services they provide. A practical  
1004 template is provided to assist the **Service Providers**.

1005 II. How the **Home Organisation** should inform the **End User** on the **Attribute release**.

1006 This guideline is primarily for software developers who develop an **End User** interface for the  
1007 **Attribute** release on an **Identity Provider** server.

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## 1037 HOW TO DEVELOP A PRIVACY POLICY

1038 To understand the interplay of the **Home Organisation** and the **Service Provider** within the frame of the  
1039 Code of Conduct, it is necessary to know that the Identity federations (and possible interfederation services  
1040 like eduGAIN) relay the following information (called SAML2 metadata) from the **Service Provider** server  
1041 to the Identity Provider server managed by the Home Organisation:

- 1042 ● a link to **Service Provider's** privacy policy web page (an XML element with the name  
1043 mdui:PrivacyStatementURL) which must be available at least in English.
- 1044 ● the Service Provider's name and description (mdui:DisplayName and mdui:Description) at least in  
1045 English. The name and description are expected to be meaningful also to the end users not affiliated  
1046 with the service.
- 1047 ● optionally, the **Service Provider's** logo (mdui:logo) that can facilitate the user interface.
- 1048 ● the list of **Attributes** that the **Service Provider** requests from the **Home Organisation** and, for  
1049 each Attribute, an indication that the Attribute is required. As the legal grounds for the attribute  
1050 release (Article 7 of the data protection directive and Article 6.1 of the GDPR), the **Home**  
1051 **Organisations** are suggested to use the legitimate interests legal grounds.

## 1052 PRIVACY POLICY TEMPLATE

1053 This template intends to assist **Service Providers** in developing a Privacy Policy document that fulfills the  
1054 requirements of the GDPR and the Code of Conduct. The second column presents some examples (in italic)  
1055 and proposes some issues that should be taken into account.

1056 The Privacy Policy must be provided at least in English. You can add another column to the template for a  
1057 local translation of the text. Alternatively, the local translation can be a parallel page, and you can use the  
1058 xml:lang element to introduce parallel language versions of the Privacy Policy page as described in SAML2  
1059 Profile for the Code of Conduct.

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Name of the service	SHOULD be the same as mdui:DisplayName <i>WebLicht</i>
Description of the service	SHOULD be the same as mdui:Description <i>WebLicht is a service for language research. It provides an execution environment for automatic annotation of text corpora.</i>

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Data controller and a contact person

*Tübingen university, Institute for language research  
Laboratory manager Bob Smith, bob.smith@example.org*

Data controller's data protection officer, if applicable

If the controller has a data protection officer (GDPR Section 4)  
*Chief Security Officer bill.smith@example.org*

Jurisdiction and supervisory authority

The country in which the Service Provider is established and whose laws are applied.

SHOULD be an [ISO 3166 code](#) followed by the name of the country and its subdivision if necessary for qualifying the jurisdiction.

*DE-BW Germany Baden-Württemberg*

How to lodge a complaint to the competent Data protection authority:

*Instructions to lodge a complaint are available at ...*

Personal data processed and the legal basis

*A. Personal data retrieved from your Home Organisation:*

- your unique user identifier (SAML persistent identifier) \**
- your role in your Home Organisation (eduPersonAffiliation attribute) \**
- your name \**

*B. Personal data gathered from yourself:*

- logfiles on the service activity \**
- your profile*

*...*

*\* = the personal data is necessary for providing the service. Other personal data is processed because you have consented to it.*

	Please make sure the list A. matches the list of requested attributes in the Service Provider's SAML 2.0 metadata.
Purpose of the processing of personal data	Don't forget to describe also the purpose of the log files, if they contain personal data (usually they do).
Third parties to whom personal data is disclosed	<p>Notice clause f of the Code of Conduct for Service Providers.</p> <p>Are the 3rd parties outside EU/EEA or the countries or international organisations whose data protection EC has decided to be adequate? If yes, references to the appropriate or suitable safeguards.</p>
How to access, rectify and delete the personal data and object its processing.	<p><i>Contact the contact person above.</i></p> <p><i>To rectify the data released by your Home Organisation, contact your Home Organisation's IT helpdesk.</i></p>
Withdrawal of consent	If personal data is processed on user consent, how he/she can withdraw it?
Data portability	Can the user request his/her data be ported to another service? How?
Data retention	<p>When the user record is going to be deleted or anonymised? Remember, you cannot store user records infinitely. It is not sufficient that you promise to delete user records on request. Instead, consider defining an explicit period.</p> <p><i>Personal data is deleted on request of the user or if the user hasn't used the service for 18 months.</i></p>
Data Protection Code of Conduct	<i>Your personal data will be protected according to the <a href="#">Code of Conduct for Service Providers</a>, a common standard for the research and higher education sector to protect your privacy.</i>

1062 HOW THE HOME ORGANISATION SHOULD INFORM THE END USER ON THE ATTRIBUTE  
1063 RELEASE

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1065 The Data protection laws create a set of requirements for the INFORM interactions with the user. This Data  
1066 protection Code of Conduct proposes a division of responsibility where the INFORM interaction is carried  
1067 out by the **Home Organisation** of the user, for instance, in an INFORM Graphical User Interface (GUI)  
1068 installed to the Identity Provider server.

1069 However, the Data protection regulators and the groups developing and enforcing these regulations  
1070 recognize that there is a balance between full disclosure to meet the requirements and usability. A poor  
1071 design of the user interaction screens can actually reduce the likelihood that users will understand what is  
1072 happening.

1073 LAW REQUIREMENTS

1074 INFORMING THE END USER (“INFORM INTERACTION”)

1075 For a **Home Organisation**, informing the end user can be done when a new end user gets his/her account  
1076 at the institution. At that time, the **Home Organisation** has the first opportunity to inform that the user's  
1077 **Attributes** may also need to be released to a **Service Provider** when he/she wants to access it. However,  
1078 the law requires that, additionally, the end user needs to be informed about the specific **Attribute** release  
1079 every time his/her **Attributes** are to be released to a new **Service Provider**.

1080 The **Service Provider's** obligation to inform the end user depends on if it is a data processor or a controller.  
1081 As a data controller, the **Service Provider** is responsible for communicating with the End user the issues  
1082 above; which **Attributes** it will be using, and what it will be doing with them. As a data processor, a **Service**  
1083 **Provider** can refer to the **Home Organisation**.

1084 The Article 29 Working Party, EU advisory body contributing to the uniform application of the Data  
1085 protection directive, took the view that the information must be given directly to individuals - it is not  
1086 enough for information to be "available"<sup>5</sup>. In the Internet, a standard practice to inform the end user on  
1087 processing his/her personal data in services is to provide him/her a Privacy Policy web page in the service.

1088 In the Web Single Sign-On scenario of SAML 2.0, a convenient place to inform the end user is at the Home  
1089 Organisation before the Attribute release takes place for the first time. Several federations supporting the  
1090 European higher education and research communities have already developed tools implementing this  
1091 approach (e.g. the uApprove module implemented for Shibboleth, the consent module implemented for  
1092 SimpleSAMLphp). This allows the user's decision to directly affect the transfer of **Attributes** to the **Service**

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<sup>5</sup> Opinion 15/2011 on the definition of consent, p.20.

1093 **Providers**; if the **Service Providers** were communicating with the user it might have already received all  
1094 the **Attributes** and values.

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## 1096 GENERAL PRINCIPLES FOR INFORMING THE USER

1097 Information dialogues should be short and concise.

1098 The UK information commissioner proposes a "layered approach"<sup>6</sup>, the basic information should appear on  
1099 the main page, and a hyperlink shall be provided for detail. Merely having a clickable link labelled "privacy  
1100 policy here" probably wouldn't be enough.

1101 The goal is to provide a human readable form as the primary interface with the ability to click further to see  
1102 what the 'technical' data is. The Acceptable Usage Policies presented by most Internet services do not  
1103 suffice as they are rarely read nor understood by the users. The basic information should be provided as  
1104 short accurate "user-friendly" descriptions; detailed information about "exactly what's going on" can be  
1105 provided as a link.

1106 Consequently, this profile recommends displaying the **Service Provider's** name, description, logo and  
1107 requested attributes on the main page. If a user wants to learn more, he/she can click a link resolving to the  
1108 **Service Provider's** Privacy policy. It is possible that users will actually not do the latter, but at least they  
1109 have the ability to inform themselves of what is going on.

1110 Layered notices can be particularly useful when describing the attribute values which will be released. In  
1111 general, LDAP-style attributes are transferred to the SP. However, very few users have any familiarity with  
1112 the conventions and usage of LDAP attributes. Instead, the Identity Provider could ask the user to release  
1113 "name"; the link would take the user to a page listing all of the LDAP name attributes and values.

1114 There are other attributes where the values are intentionally opaque (e.g.  
1115 ePE="urn:mace:rediris.es:entitlement:wiki:tfemc2"). It is NOT reasonable to expect the end user to  
1116 understand what this value means and to pick up a particular value to be released. Instead, natural language  
1117 descriptions of the values should be provided.

1118 A good way to explain to a user why there is a transfer of information is "your email, name and affiliation  
1119 will be transferred". Explaining by analogy is human, albeit not necessarily academic in all disciplines.

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<sup>6</sup> "A layered notice usually consists of a short notice plus a longer notice. The short notice contains basic information, such as the identity of the organisation and the way in which the personal information will be used... The short notice contains a link to a second, longer notice which provides much more detailed information." ([the UK information commissioner's Privacy Notices Code of Practice](#), page 18).

1121 RECOMMENDATIONS

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1123 For all Attributes (INFORM interaction):

- 1124 1. The user **MUST** be informed on the attribute release separately for each SP.
- 1125 2. The user **MUST** be presented with the mdui:DisplayName value for the SP, if it is  
1126 available.
- 1127 3. The user **MUST** be presented with the mdui:Description value for the SP, if it is available.
- 1128 4. The user **SHOULD** be presented with the mdui:Logo image for the SP, if it is available.
- 1129 5. The user **MUST** be provided with access (e.g. a clickable link) to the document referenced  
1130 by the mdui:PrivacyStatementURL.

- 1131 6. The IDP **MUST** present a list of the RequestedAttributes defined as **NECESSARY**. No user  
1132 consent is expected before release. (However, given how web browsers work, the user may  
1133 have to click a **CONTINUE** button in order to continue in the sequence.)

1134 The IDP **MAY** list the **NECESSARY** attributes on the same screen as the username/password  
1135 entry boxes, making clear that *if* you login then this is what will happen. It **MUST** be clear to  
1136 the user that the consequence of their next action will be to release the attributes.

1137 NOTE -- the attribute values for the specific user are not available when the login screen is  
1138 presented, since the user's identity is not yet known.

- 1139 7. The display software **SHOULD** provide the ability to configure and display localised  
1140 descriptions of the attributes (e.g. what PersistentID means) and their values (e.g. what  
1141 eduPersonEntitlement="urn:mace:rediris.es:entitlement:wiki:tfemc2" means)

- 1142 8. The display software **MAY** inform the user of the release of an "attribute group" (eg attributes  
1143 expressing the user's "name"), and then release all requested attributes in the group (e.g.  
1144 various forms of the user's name such as cn, sn, givenName and displayName).

- 1145 9. The display software **MAY** give the user the option to remember that they have been **INFORMed**  
1146 of the release of the necessary attributes.

- 1147 10. If any of the following has changed since the user accessed this SP for the last time, the user  
1148 **MUST** be prompted again for the **INFORM** interaction

- 1149 a. the list of attributes the SP requests
- 1150 b. the DisplayName of the SP
- 1151 c. the Description of the SP

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1153 INTERNATIONALIZATION

1154 The *lang* attribute of the *mdui* elements can be used to match the user's preferred language settings.

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1155 SAMPLE NOTIFICATION

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1157 Example of how a **Home Organisation** should inform **End Users** and provide an opt-out opportunity  
1158 before **Attributes** are released to a new **Service Provider**. Clicking the **Service's Provider** name leads to  
1159 its Privacy policy page.

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1166 **APPENDIX 2: INFORMATION SECURITY, TECHNICAL AND ORGANISATIONAL GUIDELINES**  
1167 **FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS**

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1169 This annex describes the technical and organizational security measures for protecting the **Attributes** as  
1170 well as the information systems of the Service Provider where they are processed (such as a SAML SP  
1171 software, the infrastructures on which the software is deployed and the application(s) it supplies with the  
1172 Attributes). Note that the scope of this document is limited to what is required to protect the Attributes. The  
1173 Service Provider may need to define as well other requirements for the protection of its assets.

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1175 To address the technical and organisational measures to protect the Attributes as well as the information  
1176 systems of the Service Provider where they are processed, it is recommended that the **Service Providers**  
1177 adopt the security measures described in the Sirtfi trust framework (ver 1.0) [SIRTFI] which are copied  
1178 below for convenience.

1179 **NORMATIVE ASSERTIONS**

1180 In this section a set of assertions are defined that each organisation shall self-attest to so that they may  
1181 participate in the Sirtfi trust framework. These are divided into four areas: operational security, incident  
1182 response, traceability and participant responsibilities.

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1184 An attestation to the assertions in this document refers specifically and only to the statements in this section  
1185 that are identified by labels within square brackets “[“, “]”.

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1187 How comprehensively or thoroughly each asserted capability should be implemented across an  
1188 organisation’s information system assets is not specified. The investment in mitigating a risk should be  
1189 commensurate with the degree of its potential impact and the likelihood of its occurrence, and this  
1190 determination can only be made within each organization.

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1191 **1 OPERATIONAL SECURITY [OS]**

1192 Managing access to information resources, maintaining their availability and integrity, and maintaining  
1193 confidentiality of sensitive information is the goal of operational security.

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- [OS1] Security patches in operating system and application software are applied in a timely manner.
  - [OS2] A process is used to manage vulnerabilities in software operated by the organisation.
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- 1196 • [OS3] Mechanisms are deployed to detect possible intrusions and protect information systems from  
1197 significant and immediate threats
- 1198 • [OS4] A user's access rights can be suspended, modified or terminated in a timely manner.
- 1199 • [OS5] Users and Service Owners (as defined by ITIL [ITIL]) within the organisation can be  
1200 contacted.
- 1201 • [OS6] A security incident response capability exists within the organisation with sufficient  
1202 authority to mitigate, contain the spread of, and remediate the effects of a security incident.

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1203 2 INCIDENT RESPONSE [IR]

1204 Assertion [OS6] above posits that a security incident response capability exists within the organisation.  
1205 This section's assertions describe its interactions with other organisations participating in the Sirtfi trust  
1206 framework.

- 1207 • [IR1] Provide security incident response contact information as may be requested by an R&E  
1208 federation to which your organization belongs.
- 1209 • [IR2] Respond to requests for assistance with a security incident from other organisations  
1210 participating in the Sirtfi trust framework in a timely manner.
- 1211 • [IR3] Be able and willing to collaborate in the management of a security incident with affected  
1212 organisations that participate in the Sirtfi trust framework.
- 1213 • [IR4] Follow security incident response procedures established for the organisation.
- 1214 • [IR5] Respect user privacy as determined by the organisations policies or legal counsel.
- 1215 • [IR6] Respect and use the Traffic Light Protocol [TLP] information disclosure policy.

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1216 3 TRACEABILITY [TR]

1217 To be able to answer the basic questions "who, what, where, and when" concerning a security incident  
1218 requires retaining relevant system generated information, including accurate timestamps and identifiers of  
1219 system components and actors, for a period of time.

- 1220 • [TR1] Relevant system generated information, including accurate timestamps and identifiers of  
1221 system components and actors, are retained and available for use in security incident response  
1222 procedures.
- 1223 • [TR2] Information attested to in [TR1] is retained in conformance with the organisation's security  
1224 incident response policy or practices.

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1225 4 PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITIES [PR]

1226 All participants (IdPs and SPs) in the federations need to rely on appropriate behavior.

- 1239 • [PR1] The participant has an Acceptable Use Policy (AUP).
- 1240 • [PR2] There is a process to ensure that all users are aware of and accept the requirement to abide
- 1241 by the AUP, for example during a registration or renewal process.

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## 1243 REFERENCES

1244 [ITIL] Axelos ITIL Glossary of Terms, <https://www.axelos.com/glossaries-of-terms>

1245 [SIRTFI] A Security Incident Response Trust Framework for Federated Identity, version 1.0:  
1246 <https://refeds.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Sirtfi-1.0.pdf> <https://www.axelos.com/glossaries-of-terms>

1247 [TLP] US Cert Traffic Light Protocol, <https://www.us-cert.gov/tlp>

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## 1252 APPENDIX 3: HANDLING NON-COMPLIANCE OF SERVICE PROVIDERS

### 1253 INTRODUCTION

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1255 This appendix describes examples of situations of non-compliance to the GÉANT Data Protection Code of  
1256 Conduct. As a result, actions can be raised and monitoring bodies can intervene.

1257 This Data protection Code of Conduct relies on the following principles:

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1259 • The **Home Federation** that has registered a **Service Provider** records a technical indication  
1260 (currently, using a tag embedded to SAML 2.0 metadata) on the **Service Provider's** adherence to  
1261 the Code of Conduct. The indication signals that the **Service Provider** believes that its service is  
1262 being operated in a manner that is consistent with the Code of Conduct.

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1264 • The technical infrastructure (currently, SAML 2.0 metadata exchange service) that the federation(s)  
1265 provides delivers the indications from Service Providers to **Home Organisations'** Identity  
1266 Provider servers.

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1268 • Reminding the **Service Provider** of a potential (suspected) non-compliance issue does not imply  
1269 to make the reminding party sharing any legal responsibility with the **Service Provider**.

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### 1271 EXAMPLES OF SP NON-COMPLIANCE

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1273 The **Service Provider** can violate the Code of Conduct in several ways, such as:

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1275 • requesting Attributes which are not relevant for the service (c.f. clause ~~b. Purpose limitation~~  
1276 ~~Purpose limitation~~);

1277 • processing the Attributes for an undefined period of time (c.f. clause ~~e. Data retention~~  
1278 ~~Data retention~~);

1279 • processing the Attributes for a deviating purpose or transferring them to a third party in a way that  
1280 violates clause ~~b. Purpose limitation~~  
1281 ~~Purpose limitation~~ and ~~d. Deviating purposes~~  
1282 ~~Deviating purposes~~ of the Code of Conduct (for instance, transferring the **Attributes** to a company for  
1283 commercial purposes without user consent);

1283 • Disclosing the **Attributes** (c.f. clause ~~d. Deviating purposes~~  
1284 ~~Deviating purposes~~);

1284 • Omitting to install security patches (c.f. clause ~~H. Security measures~~  
1285 ~~Security measures~~ and ~~Appendix 2: Information Security, technical and organisational guidelines for Service~~  
1286 ~~Providers~~  
1287 ~~Appendix 2: Information Security, technical and organisational guidelines for Service~~  
1288 ~~Providers~~);

1288 • Omitting to publish a privacy policy or publish an insufficient privacy policy (c.f. clause ~~Appendix~~  
1289 ~~1: Information duty towards End Users~~  
1290 ~~Appendix 1: Information duty towards End Users~~).

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1291 If anyone (such as an end user, a **Home Organisation** or a Federation Operator) suspects that a **Service**  
1292 **Provider** is not complying with the Code of Conduct to which it has committed, the following alternative,  
1293 mutually non-exclusive, actions are suggested:

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1. Contact the Service Provider directly (with a copy to the **Service Provider's** Home Federation), describing the suspected problem, and ask the **Service Provider** to check if it has a compliance problem and correct it,
  2. Contact the Service Provider's Home Federation, and request to contact the **Service Provider** and to check if there is a compliance problem and request to correct it. Depending on the Home Federation's policy, there may be also additional measures available for handling non-compliance.
  3. Contact the body accredited to monitor compliance with the Code of Conduct, if applicable, as defined in the Article 41 of the GDPR and below;
  4. Determine the location of the legal entity operating the **Service Provider**, and lodge a complaint with the competent Supervisory authority (as defined in Articles 57 and 58 of the GDPR).

#### 1308 CODE OF CONDUCT MONITORING BODY

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1310 A Federation operator can nominate a body to monitor the **Service Providers'** compliance with the Code  
1311 of Conduct. The monitoring body must be accredited by a competent supervisory authority.  
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1313 Only the monitoring body nominated by the Home Federation of the **Service Provider** is competent to  
1314 assess the compliance of the **Service Provider** with the Code of Conduct.  
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1316 The monitoring body publishes its contact details and procedures in a public and accessible way.  
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1318 The monitoring body is responsible for processing complaints received from end users, Home  
1319 Organisations, Federation Operators or other parties.  
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1321 Having received a complaint the monitoring body will:  
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- I. ask the **Service Provider** to present its counterpart,
  - II. give the **Service Provider** at most four weeks' time to revise the issue if the monitoring body finds the **Service Provider** to be non-compliant with the Code of Conduct
  - III. mandate the Home Federation to remove the **Service Provider's** tag if the Service Provider hasn't fixed the non-compliance issue within the given timeframe.

1329 The **Service Provider** whose tag has been removed can reclaim the tag only after demonstrating to the  
1330 monitoring body that it has returned to compliance.