# Privacy Policy regarding the use of the website of the Association "V.I.T.A-A.T.I.V"

Hereby the Association "V.I.T.A-A.T.I.V" (hereinafter referred to as the "Association") informs you about how the website <a href="http://www-ativ.org">http://www-ativ.org</a> is operated concerning the processing of personal data of visitors to this page. This Privacy Policy is published also in accordance with the Data Protection Act DSG 2000 and applies only to this website and not to web pages visited by the user through links. This Privacy Policy was created in line with the recommendation no. 2/2001 that the European Data Protection Authority adopted on May 17th, 2001 (in the Working Group which was established on the basis of §29 of the European Directive 95/46/EC). This recommendation defines some minimum conditions for the collection of personal online-data, in particular when and how the data controller should give what kind of information to the users when they connect with websites (regardless of the purpose of the connection). Concerning the application for membership to the Association and with respect to the user's request for an account (which is activated through this website) those privacy policies shall apply that are published on the relevant activation pages of the website.

#### Data controller:

When using the present website data related to identified or identifiable persons can be processed. The data controller is the association "V.I.T.A-A.T.I.V", represented by the president and secretary in charge, who can be reached via the e-mail address: <a href="mailto:privacy@vita-ativ.org">privacy@vita-ativ.org</a>

## Responsible for Data Processing:

The updated list of persons responsible for data processing is available at the client's headquarter in A-1080 Vienna, Josefstädterstrasse 60. It can be communicated to you at your explicit request (by mail to privacy@vita-ativ.org).

## Place of processing:

The data processing in connection with the web services of this website takes place at the data controller's headquarter in A-1080 Vienna, Josefstädterstrasse 60, or on servers which are housed in data centers in Austria. The data processing is carried out exclusively by the controller's technical staff and on behalf of the controller or eventually by other occasionally commissioned service providers for maintenance reasons. The Association may pass the data processing, entirely or in part, to hosting providers ("third parties"), provided such companies have their registered office in a Member State of the European Union and were commissioned as Responsible for Data Processing.

## Processing purposes:

Purpose of the processing of personal data is to enable the admission to the Association and the activation of an account requested by the user, and subsequently the independent administration of the control panel of the website to which the user is given access by registering and creating a user profile. Furthermore, the data processing includes the identification, storage and processing of data for the purpose of concluding a relationship and the subsequent operational, technical and administrative management of such relationship which results from the registration in the Association, from providing services and from communications (regarding the continuation of the relationship with the Association). The data is also processed for the purpose of meeting legal, accounting and tax obligations. Ultimately, the data can be processed - but only if the user explicitly approves this - for

distribution, for advertising or for the transmission of information regarding product offers, services or initiatives of the client, as well as of business partners or outsourcing partners. The aim of data processing is communicated to the user at the time of collection of the data. In the event that the data is processed again for purposes that are not the ones stated, a new information letter and a new request for consent is being required.

#### Transmission and dissemination of data:

The personal information obtained can be communicated to third parties to comply with legal obligations, to comply with instructions given by authorized government agencies and to defend or exercise a right. The data can also be transferred to third parties if this is necessary for the provision of the requested service. Beyond these purposes, the data can only be transferred to a third party if the member has expressly agreed. In any case, the member has the opportunity at any time to revoke his consent online. No data identified by the web service is forwarded except in cases where it is expressly provided by law or where it is required for the requested service.

## Types of data processed:

Navigation data: Computer systems and software programs that enable the functionality of this website identify during their normal operation personal data that have to be transmitted necessarily (from a technical point of view) when using the communication protocols of the Internet. This information is not collected in order to assign it to specific individuals, but it could allow the identification of the user by its nature and by its processing and association with third party data. This relates to data such as IP addresses or domain names of the computers which are used by the user to visit the site, the used URI (Uniform Resource Identifier) addresses of the resources requested, the time of the request, the method used for sending requests to the server, the size of the file that is sent in reply, the numerical code which is sent by the server as response (successful transmission, error messages, etc.) and other parameters regarding the operating system and the computer science platform of the user. This data will be exclusively used for creating anonymous statistics about the use of the website and for monitoring its proper function, and are deleted immediately after processing. This data is used in case of computer science offenses (with damage to the website) to identify those responsible. Otherwise web connection data is stored for no longer than 15 days. This data will not be communicated or disseminated to a third party without the prior written consent of the user, unless the Data Protection Act 2000 provides otherwise.

# Data intentionally transmitted by the user:

A voluntary and explicit request via the website or via the email addresses indicated on the website requires the identification of the sender's address, necessary to answer the questions, as well as the identification of other possible data specified in the request. Such requests may concern: the activation of a service via the website or a request for information, support, offers or an active participation in the association. Only non-sensitive data is processed. In the event that the user transmits sensitive data, so the related message or information is deleted immediately. Data that is collected in websites specially created for this purpose can be transmitted to third parties - as part of the processing of inquiries or as part of other purposes specified from case to case. In these cases, the consent of the user is required. The corresponding Privacy Policy will be displayed on the pages of the website created for special requests. If required by law the user is prompted to give his explicit and voluntary consent demonstrably in the appropriate form (after receipt of relative information).

#### Cookies:

Cookies are text files which are sent from a server through a browser to allow identification of

the device that connects to a Web page to provide services and/or to meet the features contained on websites. Cookies can be used for many different purposes, some of which are necessary to enable functions for navigation (eg session cookies), others can be used to store the behavior of the user during navigation (eg type of visited websites) and/or to identify the user. On this occasion, the website does not detect any personal data of the user. Cookies are not used to determine the user's personal information nor persistent cookies to identify the behavior of the user.

Session cookies (which are not permanently stored on the user's PC but removed at the completion of the browser) are only used in connection with the transmission of a session ID (a server-generated random number), which is necessary to allow a safe and efficient use of the website. Session cookies of this website avoid the use of other computer science techniques which could affect the protection of personal data of the users. Session cookies do not allow conclusions about the user's personal data.

The possible presence of cookies that enable the saving of a user name and password for a limited lapse of time in order to facilitate the login process of the users in the customer area of the website will be notified in an appropriate manner and the user will have the option to accept the use of this function or reject. We inform you that in the menu or in the operating instructions of most browsers exists a function for blocking the transmission of cookies. We also inform you that an activation of this function will block the cookies of the Association as well and leads to the loss of a good part of the functions and settings and may prevent the use of some functions, such as the login feature. We invite you, therefore, not to stop the use of cookies as this may impair or prevent the provision of services of this website.

#### Links:

The website may contain links to other websites in order to provide a better service to the user. The Association has no control over third party websites and therefore is in no way responsible for processing of personal information by third parties when transmitted by the user during his connection with another URL than the Association's website.

#### Optional transmission of data:

The user is free (irrespective of previous communications about navigation data) to transmit his personal data – by using the applicaton forms, by contacting the client to obtain information or other communication, or for requests for the provision of services. This data will be used only to provide the requested service. The transmission of data for such purposes is mandatory and failure could prevent the performance of the contract, the occurrence of the relationship and / or the contact, and that the user may not get what he wanted. The transmission of data for the purpose of sending messages with commercial character which have not been requested, is entirely optional. If the user decides not to give his explicit consent to the processing of data for above mentioned commercial purposes (as it is requested in a few areas of the website) it will have no effect.

#### Type of data processing and storage of data:

Personal data will be processed in paper form and with magnetic, digital and telematic tools—with a methodology that exactly matches the above mentioned purposes. Your data will be processed for the entire duration of the contract or in any case for such period necessary to fulfill the purpose for which it was collected or to be able to comply with the statutory provisions. To prevent data loss, illegal or improper use of the data as well as unauthorized access, relevant safety precautions are used. For the purposes of these rules, your personal data will be collected by us or by third parties (possibly orally) and processed correctly, legally compliant and transparent. We pay attention to both your privacy and your rights. The

data will be stored for a period fixed by law; in any case, the data is saved only for the period of time necessary to achieve the above objectives and corresponding to the duration of the contractual relationship between users and clients. The data will be deleted when the user deletes his account and stops using the services of the client. The only exceptions are necessities of contractual, accounting, tax, legal or regulatory nature relating to the period after termination of the use of the service. Once above requirements are met, the data of the user will be deleted.

### Your rights:

According to the Data Protection Act DSG 2000 (Federal Law on the protection of personal data) as well as according to the recommendation # 2/2001 of the European data protection authorities you are granted the following rights regarding the processing of your data:

- 1) The user has the right to obtain confirmation as to the existence of personal data concerning him (even though they should not be stored) and their transmission in understandable way:
- 2) The user has the right to receive information regarding a) the origin of personal data; b) the purposes and methods of data processing, c) the methodology in case of automation-assisted processing of data d) the personal data of the client and the responsible for data protection e) the entities or categories of persons to whom personal data may be communicated or who may come into knowledge of the personal data;
- 3) The user has the right to a) updating, rectification or, if it is of interest to him, complete his data b) deletion of the data, transformation in anonymous form or blocking of unlawfully handled data, including those whose retention for the purpose for which they have been collected or processed, is no longer necessary, c) confirmation that the activities described under a) and b) (including its content) will be given to those who have received this data, unless such confirmation proves impossible or is too costly in relation to the rights awarded.
- 4) The user has the right to refuse his consent to the processing of personal data entirely or partially: a) for legitimate reasons, even if they meet the objectives of the data collection b) if the processing of the data is used for sending advertising material, for direct sale or market research.

In accordance with the Data Protection Act DSG 2000 (Federal Law on the protection of personal data) and the Recommendation # 2/2001 of the European data protection authorities the user can exercise his rights by contacting the client via Email on: privacy@vita-ativ.org.

### Changes or updates of the Privacy Policy:

This Privacy Policy refers to the website of the Association and can be changed and/or updated by the client whenever necessary. Changes and updates are announced on the website of the Association in a way that the user can easily see the differences from the previous version.