

Privacy Policy

PREAMBLE

This Privacy Policy regulates how the AGRO NG will process the personal information of our data subjects such as: workers, trainees, programme participants, conference delegates and visitors to this website. This privacy policy also applies to data processing during international conferences and meetings such AGRO NG.

In line with the provisions of the Nigeria Data Protection Act (NDP Act), 2023, and other applicable Data Privacy laws and regulations, AGRO NG maintains the privacy principles, which govern how we collect, use, record, organise, structure, store, adapt or alter, retrieve, consult, disclose, disseminate, align, combine, restrict, erase or destroy and generally manage your personal data.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON DATA PROCESSING

In processing your personal data, we adhere to the principles of data processing, our obligation in terms of the principle is to ensure that personal data is;

1. processed in a fair, lawful and transparent manner;
2. collected for specified, explicit, and legitimate purposes, and not to be further processed in a way incompatible with these purposes;
3. adequate, relevant, and limited to the minimum necessary for the purposes for which the personal data was collected or further processed;
4. retained for not longer than is necessary to achieve the lawful bases for which the personal data was collected or further processed;
5. accurate, complete, not misleading, and, where necessary, kept up to date having regard to the purposes for which the personal data is collected or is further processed; and
6. processed in a manner that ensures appropriate security of personal data, including protection against unauthorised or unlawful processing, access, loss, destruction, damage, or any form of data breach.

CONSENT OF DATA SUBJECT

Furthermore, we are committed to ensuring accountability, demonstrating duty of care to you and also upholding data Confidentiality, Integrity and availability.

OUR SCOPE OF DATA PROCESSING

In varying degrees, vis-à-vis the services we provide for you or your level of engagement with us, we do process your personal data.

RIGHTS OF DATA SUBJECTS

We hold your privacy rights very dear to our operations. Apart from the right to give, withhold or withdraw consent, you have rights to all relevant information that may guide you in making informed decisions about your personal data. For example, you have the right to be notified of anyone or any place to which we may transfer your personal data.

1. Right to be Informed
2. Right of Access
3. Right to Rectification
4. Right to Object to Processing
5. Right to Data Portability
6. Right to be Forgotten
7. Right in Relation to Automated Decision Making (which essentially entitles you to human intervention).

RIGHTS OF DATA SUBJECTS

There are types of personal data that are mandatory for us to process in order to carry out

your instructions or perform our legal mandate for your benefit. If you withhold such information, it may be impracticable to carry out our mandate in relation to you.

WITHOLDING RELEVANT DATA

As a public establishment, third parties may wish to provide essential services to you (through our platforms) while relying on the relevant lawful bases for processing your personal data in this regard. The type of data usually processed for this may be your contact details. Where such services depend on consent, you have the right to decline and further restrict the processing of your personal data. You can simply unsubscribe to the notices sent for the purpose of such services.

TRANSFER OF DATA TO A THIRD-PARTY

Customarily, websites are designed to collect certain information from the visitor. This website is also designed to collect your IP address and other information that your web browser typically shares with the websites that you visit. The purpose of this is to know you better and to automatically and dynamically engage with you through your actions on our website.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION AND COOKIES

“Cookies”, in computer parlance, are text files that are downloaded to your browsing devices such as phones or computers when you browse pages of websites. They contain small amounts of data and their essential function is to intelligently memorise your preferences and therefore present them to you as choices when you are browsing – even at different times. Note that various websites use cookies for different purposes some of which may undermine your privacy rights. We have taken measures to ensure that all methods adopted by us to engage automatically with you do not violate your privacy rights under the NDP Act. In the case of cookies, we ensure that they have security protocols and are not vulnerable to abuses by anyone.

PERSONAL DATA SECURITY AND INTEGRITY

We use cutting-edge technologies and foolproof protocols to provide you with comprehensive layers of security in the area of personal data. Thus, we are constantly vigilant in preventing cyber-attacks, fraudulent intrusion, unauthorised access, loss or corruption of personal data. We are equally cognizant of the obligations imposed on us by law in terms of data protection. Accordingly, we conduct reviews of process and privacy impact assessment, carry out trainings and obtain strict warranties where applicable.

PURPOSE AND STORAGE LIMITATION

The purpose of data processing usually determines the length of time within which your personal data is stored with us and the residue of data actually stored for this purpose. We collect and store personal data that is reasonably required by law or best practice to serve you or respond to legitimate enquiry about our transaction with you. We take this responsibility very seriously in view of the need for you to enjoy your privacy as guaranteed under the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and international human rights law. Except as may be necessary for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific, historical research purposes, or statistical purposes, we may store your personal data for one year. We may also process such data for the purposes of informing the general public about the past, present and future work of the Commission.

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CAVEAT ON WEBSITE LINKS:

This website may contain links to other websites. Save and except as otherwise expressly stated by us, any link to another website is not covered by our privacy policy. We strongly

advise that you should satisfy yourself with the details of any privacy policy provided on other websites or links.

TRANSFER TO THIRD PARTIES AND COUNTRIES

In carrying out our mandate effectively, we may require the services of third parties who may be within or outside the NDPA jurisdiction (Nigeria). Examples of such services include but are not limited to the following:

- * Internet connectivity,
- * Cloud storage,
- * Data analytics,
- * Data security, and
- * Software development.

In transferring your data to third parties, we shall be guided by the NDP Act. See PART VIII of the NDP Act.

Categories of third parties we may share your data with are those that offer the above-mentioned services.

DATA PRIVACY SERVICE UNIT (DPSU)

We have provided a platform to respond promptly and satisfactorily to all your requests, suggestions and complaints. This is called the DPSU. Contact the DPSU via this email: **info@agrong.ng**. Our DPSU serves as the internal mechanism to carry out the following services amongst others:

- * Data protection regulations compliance and breach services
- * Data protection and privacy advisory services
- * Data protection capacity building
- * Data Regulations Contracts drafting and advisory
- * Data protection and privacy breach remediation planning and support services
- * Information privacy audit
- * Data privacy breach impact assessment
- * Data Protection and Privacy Due Diligence Investigation
- * Data Protection Officer

REMEDIATION

Data subjects are encouraged to report any complaint or concern about their data privacy through the DPSU. Our team at the DPSU shall take action to redress any grievance within 7 (seven) working days. If this extends for any reason, the data subject will be duly notified and appropriate measures will be taken to ensure that the rights and interests of the data subject are protected.

ALTERATION OF PRIVACY POLICY

AGRO NG reserves the right to alter the foregoing policy for the purposes of advancing data privacy rights, public interest or complying with lawful directives of the Federal Government – in line with the safeguards under the NDP Act and the 1999 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.