

### **PRIVACY STATEMENT**

### **CONFERENCING & EVENTS ABERYSTWYTH UNIVERSITY**

This Privacy Statement describes the ways in which your personal data is collected and used by the Conference Office for bookings and events held at Aberystwyth University.

It is your responsibility to review and understand this Privacy Statement prior to providing your personal data to us. You must also review our <u>Terms and Conditions</u>. If you do not accept and agree to the Privacy Statement and/or Terms and Conditions, you should not provide your personal data to us and will not be able to use our products or services.

Our Privacy Statement and Terms and Conditions may also change from time to time. Whenever there are changes, the modified policies will be posted on our website and will be effective at that time. Each time they change, the version number displayed at the top of the page will also change. Consequently, each time you access or use our services or otherwise engage with us, you accept and agree to the most current Privacy Statement and set of Terms and Conditions. It is your responsibility to be aware of any such changes.

#### **Collection of Personal Data**

In order to provide our products and services, we collect and process personal data from our customers. We may collect information ("**Personal Data**") from you such as, but not limited to, your name, email address, mailing address, phone number, date of birth, gender, payment information, employment information. You are not required to provide us with all of the Personal Data listed above, but if you do not do so, we may not be able to effectively provide you with our products, services and information. In certain circumstances, you will need to provide us with specific categories of Personal Data (including name, email address and payment information) in order to enter into a contract with us and for us to perform that contract.

The University complies with the Data Protection Act 2018 and the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). See "Use of Information" section below for further details regarding the ways that we use and process your personal data.

## Use of Information

Your Personal Data may be used in the following ways:

- To provide our products and services to you
- To enhance and improve our products and services, for example, by performing internal research
- To process payments from you
- To process payments to you (including, but not limited to, refunds or reimbursements)
- Internal purposes, such as website and system administration or internal audits and reviews
- To communicate with you regarding products/services that may be of interest to you
- To respond to your requests and enquiries
- To provide relevant advertisements to you when you visit our sites or other third-party sites (including social media platforms)
- To request your participation in optional surveys, focus groups, or other initiatives which help us to gather information used to develop and enhance our products and services

We will process your Personal Data for the purposes identified above on the following bases:

- 1. Where processing is necessary for the performance of our contract to provide our products, services and information to you, or to take steps before entering into that contract (GDPR, Art.6 (1)(b)).
- 2. Where processing is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the University in terms of the provision and enhancements of our products, services and information (GDPR, Art.6 (1)(f)) and

3. As necessary to comply with the legal obligations to which the University is subject, to resolve disputes and enforce contractual agreements (GDPR, Art.6 (1)(c)).

It should be noted that, currently, none of this data is subject to automated decision-making processes, and none is transferred outside the EU for processing or for any other purposes.

We will retain your information for as long as your booking/event is active, as well as for a short additional period afterwards to cover any outstanding issues or queries that may arise in relation to your account (for example, outstanding payments). This period of retention is subject to our review and alteration.

## **Sharing and Disclosure to Third Parties**

We may disclose your Personal Data to third parties under the following circumstances:

- 1. You request or authorise the disclosure of your personal details to a third party.
- 2. The information is disclosed as permitted by applicable law(s) and/or in order to comply with applicable law(s) (for example, to comply with a search warrant, subpoena or court order) e.g. emergency services.
- 3. The information is provided to our agents, vendors or service providers who perform functions on our behalf. See below for additional details.

The identity and categories of such third parties may change during the term of your engagement with us.

It is anticipated that your Personal Data may be disclosed to the following categories of third-party service providers who perform functions on our behalf. We require that our third-party service providers only use your Personal Data as necessary to provide the requested services to us and each service provider is subject to a set of terms consistent with this Privacy Policy.

- Hosting providers for the secure storage and transmission of your data
- Identity management providers for authentication purposes
- Database software providers for the management and tracking of your data
- Legal and compliance consultants, such as external counsel, external auditors, or tax consultants
- Marketing providers who send communications on our behalf regarding our products and services
- Payment solution providers for the secure processing of payments you provide to us
- Fulfillment and postal vendors for the fulfilment of our products and services

## **Communication Preferences**

We strive to provide you with relevant and useful information related to our products and services and you can contact us using the information listed at the bottom of this statement to make any changes to your communication preferences. We will only communicate with you electronically if it directly relates to services or products, which we are supplying or intend to supply to you, or if you have positively consented to us sending you marketing information. Any promotional emails that we send will include a link at the bottom of the email to unsubscribe.

# **Contact Information**

You are encouraged to report any improvements, suggestions, or any suspected breaches of privacy or security to us by contacting:

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