

PRIVACY POLICY

1) Who are we and what is this project?

We are a group of organizations aiming at improving cooperation between universities and businesses. The following organizations form the partnership:

- **UNICO.ai CZ, s.r.o.**, ID no: 06118313, registered office at Krakovská 1256/24, Nové Město, 110 00 Praha 1, Czech Republic, a business company established and existing under the Czech law, registered in the Czech business register under no C 276457 maintained by the Municipal Court of Prague,
- **Kempelen Institute of Intelligent Technologies, association of legal entities**, abbreviation: KInIT, ID no: 53290046, registered office at Mlynské nivy 18890/5, 811 09 Bratislava, Slovakia, an association of legal entities established and existing under the Slovak law,
- **National Information Processing Institute**, KRS: 0000127372, REGON: 006746090, NIP: 525-000-91-40, registered office at Al. Niepodległości 188 B, 00-608 Warsaw, Poland, an entity established and existing under the Polish law,
- **Instytut Innowacji i Technologii Politechniki Białostockiej Sp. z o. o.**, registered office at Ojca Stefana Tarasiuka 2, 16-001 Kleosin, Poland, an entity established and existing under the Polish law,
- **University of Veterinary Medicine Budapest**, seated at H-1078 Budapest, István utca 2., Hungary, an entity established and existing under the Hungarian law,
- **Business and Technology University**, seated at Tbilisi 0162, Georgia I. Chavchavadze Avenue N82, Georgia, an entity established and existing under the Georgian law,
- **National Academy of Sciences of Republic of Armenia**, seated at 24, Marshall Baghramian Ave. 0019 Yerevan, Republic of Armenia, an entity established and existing under the Armenian law.

Hereinafter, we will also refer to us as the “**partners**”.

We participate in the project jointly. Therefore, we process your personal data as joint controllers.

Our project is to create a network of scientists across the V4 region (Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland, Hungary), Georgia, and Armenia. Through the network, we strive to facilitate communication and improve cooperation between universities and businesses, cultivate and expand the scientific community and share knowledge amongst the members and the scientific community in general. Our project is called Network 4 Growth. More information on the project is available at our website www.v4transfer.com.

2) Personal data we collect and how we collect it

We may collect your personal data on two occasions:

- when you visit our [website www.v4transfer.com](http://www.v4transfer.com), we may use information we obtain via cookies,
- when you register to our events (such as webinars) or contact us; in this case, we may use information about you that you directly give us
- when you join our [network](#) and we publish your professional information at www.v4transfer.com via a widget, administrated by UNICO.ai CZ, s.r.o., with an overview of all experts in the community; in this case, we may use information you directly give us.

2.1) Personal data obtained via cookies

When you visit our website, we may obtain your IP address and information about your web behaviour (how you used the website). If you do not give us consent, we may use this information only to ensure that the website functions properly.

2.2) Personal data you directly give us

In order for the project to function, we obtain information about you from a survey. In the first place, we collect information about you that can be used to contact or identify you. Such personal data may include your name, email address, telephone number, home and business postal addresses, age (date of birth), gender, education, institution (employer) and occupation.

We also collect information that may relate to you or your professional activities such as biographical information, publications, authorship of articles, academic or research expertise or interests, conferences you have attended or groups (societies) of which you are a member.

We do not collect sensitive data such as information about your race, political views, religious views, or health conditions.

If you register to our events (such as webinars), we may use our identification and contact data and information about the event. If you contact us via website, we may use your identification and contact data and information that you give us in order to communicate with you.

When we contact you and if you agree to be listed in our network of scientists, we process the personal data submitted by you in the registration process (especially your identification data, contact data and professional data).

3) Why and how we use your personal data

3.1) Visiting our website

If you visit our website <https://www.v4transfer.com/>, we may process your personal data to:

- a) operate the website properly, improve the website or show you commercials suitable for you (via cookies),
- b) answer your questions,
- c) register you to an event and enable you to attend the event,

- d) send you invites to other events,
- e) communicate with you individually, especially to initiate a cooperation.

3.1 a) Using cookies

We use cookies and similar trackers. When you visit our website <https://www.v4transfer.com/>, we may place cookies on your device and gather some information about your behaviour on the site.

Without your consent, we may process your IP address and information about your web behaviour to operate our website properly (via necessary cookies).

With your consent, we may process your IP address and information about your web behaviour to create statistics and reports on our website usage, or to display targeted advertising on other websites and to forward it to advertising operators. You may withdraw the consent by changing the cookie preferences or by contacting us.

3.1 b) Contacting us and individual communication

If you want to make a query, you may contact us. In this case, we will process your personal data to answer your queries and communicate with you.

We may also contact you, especially if we want to cooperate with you in the future.

3.1 c) Event registration

You can register to our webinars and other events. In this case, we will process the personal data that you filled in the registration form (identification, contact and professional data) to register you and enable you to attend the event. In this relation, we may also communicate with you about the event.

3.1 d) Invitations to other events

If you registered to our event, we can send you e-mails with invitations to other events similar to the one that you registered to (in a form of newsletters). You can always unsubscribe from these invitations by clicking on a link in each newsletter.

Overview of processing of your personal data, our legal basis and duration of the processing:

Purpose of the processing	Legal basis	Duration of the processing
Operating our website (via cookies)	Our legitimate interest on operating our website	For the time necessary for you to visit the website (according to the technical settings of each cookie)
Creating statistics and reports on our website usage	Your cookie consent and our legitimate interest on improving our website	According to the technical settings of each cookie
Displaying targeted advertising on other websites and forwarding it to advertising operators	Your cookie consent and consent with the data processing	According to the technical settings of each cookie
Answering your queries and communicating with you	Our legitimate interest on communicating with you	For 1 year from the last communication with you
Registering and organising an event	The processing is necessary for conclusion and performance of a contract	For 2 months after the end of the event
Sending invites to other events (newsletters)	Our legitimate interest on sending you offers to events similar to those that you have attended	For 3 years after the end of the event, after that, only with your consent
Contacting you with individual offers to cooperate	Our legitimate interest to cooperate with you on your projects	For 3 years from the end of the event

3.2) Being a part of our expert network

If you decide to be a part of our network, we may process your personal data to:

- a) build and maintain the network, including creating and publishing your profile,
- b) generate statistics about the usage of the network,
- c) send you news related to the network (newsletters),
- d) protect our legal rights and interests.

3.2 a) Contacting you with the offer to be included in the network

We can individually contact you and offer you an opportunity to be included in the network. You may file an objection against this processing. If the objection is legitimate, we will stop with processing of your personal data.

3.2 b) Building and maintaining the network

We use the information we collect to build and maintain the network. For this purpose, we contact you with an offer to be included in the network. If you consent to it, we create your profile in the network based on the information provided by you so that any interested user may be able to find an expert best fitting to specified themes (keywords). When you register and when you claim a profile (link a profile to your account).

Your profile is also publicly available online via a widget at our website www.v4transfer.com.

3.2 c) Statistics

We use your personal data to generate statistics related to the use of the network and the project in order to improve it. You may file an objection against this processing. If the objection is legitimate, we will stop with processing of your personal data. We may however still use your anonymised data which are not personal data anymore (we can no longer identify you).

3. 2 d) Newsletters

With your consent, we may send you news related to the network and our projects. You may always withdraw your consent – by clicking on “unsubscribe” in the newsletter.

3.2 e) Legal defence

In case we get into a dispute, we may process your personal data related to the dispute for the time necessary for solving the dispute. You may file an objection against this processing. If the objection is legitimate, we will stop with processing of your personal data.

Overview of processing of your personal data, our legal basis and duration of the processing:

Purpose of the processing	Legal basis	Duration of the processing
Contacting you with the offer to be included in the network	Our legitimate interest to contact you as a professional/scientist	We cease to process your personal data for this purpose, if you do not wish to be included in the network or if you do not respond within reasonable time (3 months from our message)
Creating and administrating your profile in the network database and other aspects of your participation in the network (e.g., general communication and organization of events)	Your consent	Until you revoke your consent
Sending news related to the project (newsletter)	Your consent	Until you revoke your consent
Statistics	Our legitimate interest to run and develop the project	As long as you participate in the network (however, anonymised and

		aggregated data may be processed longer, no longer as your personal data).
Legal defence	Our legitimate interest to legal defence	We will process your personal data for this purpose only if such need arises and only for the time necessary, at least one year after the end of our legal dispute

4) Sharing of personal data with third parties

4.1) Public information

The profiles we create are visible to any user of the platform. We believe that by providing some platform users (businesses interested in specific areas of research) with researchers' profiles matching the search criteria we help in achieving the goal for which the information was published (i.e. dissemination of knowledge).

Nevertheless, we acknowledge that researchers' preferences change over time and that some researchers may not want to be associated with or contacted about their research (anymore). Therefore, we offer you various options of tailoring their profile visibility and contactability in search results.

4.2) Non-public information

Generally, we do not share any non-public information with third parties unless you give us your prior consent. However, we can share your personal data with contractors who assist us in running the network (e.g. providers of infrastructure, esp. our programmers, web and software providers).

We may share your personal data with public authorities when the law requires us to do so. In such cases we share only the information that we have to and we communicate with you as soon as allowed.

We may also disclose personal data in order to identify, contact, or bring legal action against a person or entity who may be causing harm or endangering the partners or other members of the network.

If we are involved in a corporate reorganization (e.g. acquisition, merger, asset sale), personal data may be transferred to the acquiring entity and become subject to a different privacy policy. Before the data transfer we will give you a notice and option to opt-out of the transfer.

5) Transfers of personal data outside of the European Union

Our group includes partners located outside of the European Union (EU), namely Business and Technology University located in Georgia and National Academy of Sciences of Republic of Armenia located in the Republic of Armenia. Since the network is operated across the relevant territory, including Georgia and the Republic of Armenia, we need to make your personal data available to the partners outside EU. However, we take every precaution available to ensure your personal data are processed in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and personal data safety standards of the European Union. In agreements governing the project, the partners outside EU undertook to follow the standard contractual clauses adopted by the European Commission within the meaning of Article 46(1) and (2)(c) of the GDPR.

6) Data retention

As a general rule, we retain your personal data to the extent and for as long as it is necessary to fulfill the purpose(s) for which it was collected, to resolve disputes, establish legal defences, enforce our agreements, comply with applicable law or do scientific research. Please see the tables "Overview of processing of your personal data, our legal basis and duration of the processing" for more information.

If you think that certain data that we collected from public sources should be either deleted or dissociated from you (your profile), please let us know.

7) Your rights

You may be entitled to exercise some or all of the following rights free of charge (such rights may depend on various factors, e.g., on the way how we collected your personal data):

- a. **Right of access:** to require information about whether your personal data is retained and access to and/or duplicates of your personal data retained, including the purposes of the processing, the categories of personal data concerned, and the recipients or categories of recipients to whom the personal data is disclosed and where possible, the envisaged period for which the personal data will be stored, or, if not possible, the criteria used to determine that period;
- b. **Right to rectification and/or erasure:** to request proper rectification, removal, or restriction of your personal data, e.g. because (i) of the incomplete or inaccurate nature, (ii) it is no longer needed for the purposes for which it was collected, (iii) the consent on which the processing was based has been withdrawn, or (iv) you have taken advantage of an existing right to object to the data processing; in case your personal data is processed by third parties, we will also forward your request for rectification, removal, or restriction to such third parties unless this proves impossible or involves disproportionate effort;
- c. **Right to restriction of processing:** to request us to restrict the processing of your personal data in the following cases: (i) you have requested a rectification of your inaccurate

personal data, and the restriction of the processing will be valid for a period of time necessary to verify the accuracy of your personal data and to rectify them, (ii) the processing of your personal data by us is illegal, but you do not wish to erase them, (iii) we do not need your personal data for the purpose for which we have processed them, but you insist on their processing (esp. storing) by us for determination, exercise or defence of your legal claims, or (iv) you have filed an objection against the processing of your personal data based on a legitimate interest, and the restriction of the processing will be valid for a period of time necessary to determine whether our legitimate interest prevails over your right not to process your personal data;

- d. **Right to portability:** to receive your personal data which we process by automated means based on your consent, in a structured, commonly used, and machine-readable format and to transmit those data to another controller without hindrance from our side; where technically feasible you shall have the right to have the personal data transmitted directly from us to another controller;
- e. **Right to refuse and withdraw your consent:** to refuse to provide and – without impact to data processing activities that have taken place before such withdrawal – withdraw your consent to processing of your personal data at any time;
- f. **Right to objection against processing of personal data on the basis of legitimate interest:** to object against the processing of your personal data on the basis of legitimate interest; based on that objection, we will consider whether it is in our legitimate interest to process your personal data for the given purpose, or whether your right not to process your personal data prevails over our legitimate interest;
- g. **Right not to be subject to any automated decision-making** that would have legal effects on you or that could similarly significantly affect you;

You may exercise the rights referred to above, pose any questions, or make any complaints regarding the data processing by contacting primarily the organisation or company that you communicate with in your country. You may also contact UNICO.ai CZ, s.r.o. administrating the

network at jana.kolomaznikova@unico.ai or by sending a letter to UNICO.ai CZ, s.r.o. Lazarská 13/8 120 00, Prague 2, Czech Republic.

If you believe that all of the aforementioned rights are insufficient, or you are of the opinion that we violate your rights in any way, you have a right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority. You can lodge the complaint with the national supervisory authorities via the contact information available here: https://edpb.europa.eu/about-edpb/about-edpb/members_en

8) Changes to this Privacy Policy

We may change our Privacy Policy from time to time. We will post any changes to this Privacy Policy on this page. Please check this Privacy Policy from time to time for changes.

We will inform you about all substantial changes to this Privacy Policy and offer you an opt-out from our services should you not agree to the new rules.

9) Contact information

If you have any additional questions or concerns about our Privacy Policy, please email UNICO.ai CZ, s.r.o. on jana.kolomaznikova@unico.ai or send a letter to UNICO.ai CZ, s.r.o. Lazarská 13/8 120 00, Prague 2, Czech Republic.