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Individual Contribution License Agreement

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This Agreement sets forth the terms and conditions under which the Contributor may submit Contributions to STF Projects, ensuring protection of STF’s licensed databases and strategic assets.

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- Full Name: _____
- Email Address: _____
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Where such waiver is not permitted, Contributor agrees to grant STF and its licensees the right to use your Contributions in a manner consistent with the spirit of this agreement.

9. – NO WARRANTY

Contributions are provided “as is” without warranty of any kind, express or implied. STF assumes no responsibility for the use of Contributions, and the Contributor holds STF harmless from any claims related thereto.

10. – CONTRIBUTION APPROVAL PROCEDURE

Prior to acceptance or integration of any Contribution, the Contributor shall submit a brief explanatory memorandum describing the Contribution’s purpose, scope, intended use, and expected impact on STF’s projects, together with an express statement that the Contribution does not use, derive from, link to, or affect the Licensed Database or other protected assets.

STF, assisted by its technical and legal experts in software, code audit, and licensing, shall conduct a detailed impact analysis of the proposed Contribution, specifically assessing its technical, legal, and contractual implications for the Licensed Database and STF’s interests.

STF reserves the sole and exclusive right to reject any Contribution, at any stage, if it deems, at its sole discretion, that acceptance could entail any risk, conflict, or actual or potential impact (direct or indirect) on the Licensed Database, other protected assets, or any of STF's agreements.

Only after successful completion of this review process and written express approval by STF, may a Contribution be integrated or deployed in STF projects. STF may condition approval upon the adoption of further technical, organizational, or legal measures as deemed appropriate.

11. – NO OBLIGATION

Contributor acknowledges that the Software Transparency Foundation (STF) is under no obligation to accept or use any Contribution, and that Contributor is not guaranteed to receive any compensation or consideration for any Contributions. The STF reserves the right to remove or modify any Contribution at its sole discretion.

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The Licensed Database and any other asset or resource to which STF holds rights by virtue of third-party agreements are expressly excluded from the scope of this Agreement and from the Contributions.

No term of this Agreement may be construed or enforced to require STF to license, disclose, open, publish, or reuse the Licensed Database or any service or project based on it, nor to impose any condition, obligation, or license on such assets.

STF shall retain exclusive control and management of all services or developments that use, directly or indirectly, the Licensed Database or any other protected asset, and no rights whatsoever are conferred to the Contributor over such assets or services.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted so as to limit, modify, prejudice, or risk the Foundation's contractual position regarding its commercial, sponsorship, or other third-party agreements. In the event of conflict, the terms of such agreements shall always prevail.

13.- RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES

The parties expressly declare and acknowledge that this Agreement does not establish or presume an employment relationship, dependency, association, or partnership between them. The Contributor acts at all times as an independent party and this Agreement solely establishes economic rights, if any, conditioned upon compliance with objectives, without implying an employment, commercial, or corporate relationship other than that expressly agreed upon.

Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted as creating a joint venture, association, or any other form of entity between the parties, nor does it authorize either party to act as agent of the other.

14.- GOVERNING LAW AND JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of Spain, without regard to its conflict of law provisions. You agree to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts located in Madrid, Spain, for the resolution of any disputes arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

15.- CONTRIBUTOR INFORMATION AND SIGNATURE

You agree to provide accurate identifying information when signing this agreement, including your full name and contact details (email address). STF may use this information to maintain contributor records, manage licenses, and contact you if necessary regarding your Contributions.

Your personal data will be processed in accordance with STF's Data Protection Policy and applicable laws.

By signing this agreement, you acknowledge that you have read and understood its terms, and that you agree to be bound by them. This agreement takes effect on the date of your signature and remains in force unless superseded by a revised agreement between you and STF.

You may sign this agreement electronically. STF will confirm receipt and store a copy for record-keeping purposes.

- Full Name: _____
- Email Address: _____
- Date: _____
- Signature: _____

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