

USAGE AGREEMENT SURFsara SYSTEMS

This usage agreement (hereinafter: “the Agreement”) sets out the terms and conditions that apply to all the use of systems (hereinafter: “the System”) made available by SURFsara, located at Science Park 140, 1098 XG Amsterdam (hereinafter: “SURFsara”). By accessing or otherwise using the System, User agrees to be fully bound by this Agreement. Please read this Agreement carefully before using the System. If you do not agree to be bound by all of these terms and conditions, please do not access or use the System.

Article 1. Usage of the System

- 1.1. SURFsara hereby grants to User a limited license to use the functionalities made available to User through the System. This license is non-exclusive and non-transferable. No rights are granted to User hereunder other than as expressly set forth in this Agreement.
- 1.2. The System, any parts or specific functionalities thereof may only be accessible after registration. User must use the provided username and a secure password to protect its account. . User must keep its username, password and other access credentials confidential and must make use of adequate security tools against unauthorized use of the System made available by SURFsara.
- 1.3. SURFsara may assume that all actions undertaken from User’s account after logging in with its username and password are authorized and supervised by User. This means User is solely liable for the loss of usernames, passwords or any other access credentials (for example; SSH keys) and account numbers, and for any misuse by third parties resulting thereof.
- 1.4. In case personal data is processed by User on the System, a separate DPA needs to be agreed on between Institute/User and SURFsara.
- 1.5. PLEASE NOTE, the System is suitable for processing of personal data that falls in risk level ‘Medium’. The security measures on the System are attuned to this risk level. In case a User intends to process sensitive data (such as special categories of personal data) on the System, the Institute and/or User himself is required and responsible for taking additional measures to adequately secure the data.

Article 2. Acceptable use

- 2.1. User is not permitted to use the System for other purposes than the ones the project was granted for. Moreover, User is not permitted to use the System for any purpose that violates Dutch laws or other applicable laws and regulations.
- 2.2. User is not permitted to exceed the allocated computer time and/or storage limits. User is responsible for the consequences of exceeding the allocated computer time and/or storage limits.
- 2.3. User is not permitted to attempt to try to access or use parts of the System, programs and/or files that do not belong to the User or to which the User has not been granted access.
- 2.4. User is not permitted to license, sub-license, rent, lease, transfer, time share or otherwise make the System available for access by third parties in whole or in part.
- 2.5. Upon encountering any kind of errors in the System, software, compilers, data communication, and system disruptions, User agrees to report these without undue delay to SURFsara.
- 2.6. Within thirty (30) days of a request from SURFsara, User will fully document and certify that User’s use of the software and System at the time of the request is in conformity with the terms of this Agreement, and User agrees to permit SURFsara to verify the accuracy of this certification. Any non-conformities and the costs to solve these will be borne by User.

Article 3. Intellectual property

- 3.1. All copyrights, trademarks and all other intellectual property rights in and to the software made available by SURFsara and the System are and shall remain the sole and exclusive property of SURFsara (and/or its affiliates).

Article 4. Availability and maintenance

- 4.1. To the extent reasonable within its power, SURFsara grants the User shared access to the "the System".
- 4.2. SURFsara reserves the right to manage all System usage in order to assure full optimal usage of the System. SURFsara will limit as much as possible the time of the System's unavailability due to maintenance or any unforeseen reason. However, maintenance can take place at any time, even if this may negatively impact the availability of the System. Maintenance is announced in advance whenever possible.
- 4.3. Support on the Systems is available conform the description that can be found on the website under "Helpdesk SURFsara services".
- 4.4. All processor hours User lost as a result of failure or defective functioning of the System will be refunded to User.
- 4.5. User agrees not to request any indemnity or compensation from SURFsara and the suppliers of the various equipment and software for any damage suffered as a result of imperfections of the System.
- 4.6. User will take the necessary precautions to avoid unnecessary loss of processor hours.

Article 5. Privacy

- 5.1. SURFsara respects the privacy of User. (Personal) data provided by User will be handled with due care and in line with the General Data Protection Regulation and other applicable privacy laws and regulations.
- 5.2. More information regarding the processing of personal data can be found in the privacy statement available on the website of SURFsara.

Article 6. Liability

- 6.1. The liability limitations referred to in this Agreement shall not apply in cases of intentional misconduct or deliberate recklessness on the part of SURFsara, or for any other liability that may not otherwise be lawfully excluded or limited.
- 6.2. Notwithstanding the first paragraph of this article, the total liability of SURFsara for attributable direct damages shall be limited to the amount of EUR 50.000 (fifty thousand euros).
- 6.3. In no event shall SURFsara be liable for indirect damages, consequential damages, lost profits, missed savings or damages through business interruption, loss of (business) data, or any other pecuniary loss in connection with any claim, damage or other proceeding arising under this Agreement.
- 6.4. Damages may only be claimed if reported in writing to SURFsara within two (2) weeks after the damage occurred.
- 6.5. In case of force majeure, SURFsara is never required to compensate for damages suffered by User. Force majeure will be deemed to include, among other things, communications and/or power failure, (distributed) denial of service and other network attacks, riots, insurrections, labor disputes, actions of government, restrictions on import and/or export and/or any inability to perform which is caused by SURFsara's suppliers. In case of force majeure SURFsara will use its best efforts to find a suitable remedy or alternative source to overcome said force majeure.

Article 7. Changes to Agreement

- 7.1. SURFsara may change or add additional terms and conditions to this Agreement as well as change any prices at any time.
- 7.2. SURFsara shall announce changes or additions at least thirty (30) days before they become effective.
- 7.3. Use of the System after the date of effect of aforementioned changes shall constitute User's acceptance of the changed or added-to terms and conditions.

Article 8. Termination of Agreement

- 8.1. This Agreement is automatically terminated on the closing date assigned to the project.
- 8.2. Upon termination of this Agreement, User will secure on local (not SURFsara) storage all of his/her and his collaborators' files remaining in the System.
- 8.3. Within a maximum period of six (6) months after the termination of this Agreement SURFsara will proceed to remove all usernames falling under this Agreement as well as the remaining files. If only a part of the agreement (access to specific systems) is terminated only these related usernames and data will be removed. SURFsara will not be liable for the loss of this data.

Article 9. Disclaimer of Warranties

SURFsara DISCLAIMS RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY HARM RESULTING FROM YOUR USE OF THE SYSTEM. SURFsara DISCLAIMS TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED, ALL GUARANTEES AND EXPRESS, IMPLIED AND STATUTORY WARRANTIES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE AND NON-INFRINGEMENT OF PROPRIETARY RIGHTS, AND ANY WARRANTIES REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY, SECURITY, RELIABILITY, TIMELINESS AND PERFORMANCE OF THE SYSTEM. YOU ARE SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGES TO YOUR HARDWARE DEVICES OR LOSS OF DATA THAT RESULT FROM THE USE OF THE SYSTEM.

Article 9. Miscellaneous provisions

- 9.1. At all times User must be able to prove to SURFsara its connection to a scientific institution or contracted party with access to or systems.
- 9.2. SURFsara will give an individual username to the User after approval from a person authorized to request access to the System. For the definition of such a person see the website of SURFsara.
- 9.3. If any provision in this Agreement proves to be null and void, or otherwise unenforceable, this shall not affect the applicability of this Agreement as a whole. In such cases, SURFsara will adopt one or more new provisions that implement the intention of the original Agreement as much as possible.
- 9.7. This Agreement and all acts and transactions pursuant hereto and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto shall be governed, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of The Netherlands.
- 9.8. If there is any dispute about any parts and/or implementation of this Agreement, the Court of Amsterdam has exclusive jurisdiction.