

Forum of Firms Privacy Policy

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1. Who We Are

The Forum of Firms (“FoF”, “we”, “us”) is an independent association of international networks of firms that have transnational audit appointments or are interested in accepting such appointments. The FoF works closely with the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC).

For the purposes of data protection law, the Forum of Firms is the data controller in respect of personal data collected through this website. IFAC acts as a data processor on behalf of the FoF for website administration and support.

Registered address:

570 Lexington Ave 5th Floor
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USA

With respect to the General Data Protection Regulation, the FoF’s representative in the European Union is as follows:

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80538 Munich
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Email: EU-representative@simmons-simmons.com

2. What Does This Policy Cover?

This Privacy Policy applies only to personal data collected through the Forum of Firms website.

It does not apply to FoF-related activities administered through IFAC systems or platforms, which are governed by IFAC’s Privacy Policy.

3. Personal Data We Collect

Information You Provide When you contact us through the website contact form, we collect:

Your name

Your email address

Any information you choose to include in your message

You are not required to provide any additional personal information to use the website.

Automatically Collected Information

The website may collect limited, anonymized technical information (such as aggregated website usage data) to help us understand how the site is used and to maintain its security and functionality. This information does not identify you directly.

4. How We Use Your Personal Data

We use personal data collected through the website solely to:

- Respond to enquiries submitted via the contact form
- Operate, maintain, and secure the website

We do not use website contact information for marketing purposes.

5. Legal Basis for Processing

We process personal data collected through the website on the basis of:

- Legitimate interests, in responding to enquiries and operating the website; and/or
- Consent, where you voluntarily submit your personal data via the contact form

6. Who We Share Personal Data

With Personal data submitted through the website is shared only with:

- Relevant IFAC staff responsible for Forum of Firms activities; and
- Service providers that support website hosting, maintenance, or security, where appropriate safeguards are in place

We do not sell personal data or share it for commercial purposes.

7. How Long We Keep Personal Data

We retain personal data collected through the website only for as long as necessary to respond to your enquiry and for any follow-up that may be required, after which it is securely deleted or anonymized.

8. Your Rights

Depending on your location, you may have rights under applicable data protection laws, including the right to:

- Access your personal data
 - Request correction or deletion of your personal data
 - Object to or restrict certain processing activities
- To exercise your rights, please contact us using the details below.

9. International Transfers

Personal data collected through the website may be processed or stored in the United States. Where required, appropriate safeguards are used to protect personal data in accordance with applicable data protection laws.

10. Contact Us

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy or how your personal data is handled, please refer to the following contact details:

To the attention of:	Privacy Officer
Email address:	privacyofficer@ifac.org
Telephone number:	+1 212 286 9344
Postal Address:	Forum of Firms 570 Lexington Ave 5th Floor New York, NY 10022 USA

11. Children's Privacy Protection

The Forum of Firms website is not directed at children under 13 years of age. We do not knowingly collect personal data from children under 13 years of age. If we become aware that personal data has been submitted to us by a child under 13 years of age, we will delete such information as soon as reasonably practicable.

12. Changes to this Privacy Notice



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We may update this Privacy Policy from time to time. Any changes will be posted on this page with an updated revision date.

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