

Ethical Code of Conduct

Introduction

Inclusive Europe is dedicated to maintaining the highest ethical standards across all facets of its operations. This Ethical Code of Conduct serves as a comprehensive guide, delineating the foundational principles that govern our conduct and relationships. It applies universally to all members, partners, and affiliates associated with Inclusive Europe.

Principles

Reliability: We are committed to providing information, research, and services that are accurate, dependable, and verifiable.

Honesty: Transparency and candor underlie all our communications, ensuring that information is conveyed truthfully and without deception.

Respect: Every individual is treated with dignity, fairness, and recognition of their rights, irrespective of background, identity, or beliefs.

Accountability: We hold ourselves accountable for our actions, decisions, and their potential impacts on others, acknowledging our responsibilities.

Confidentiality: Sensitive information is safeguarded, and privacy rights are upheld, adhering to GDPR regulations and other relevant data protection laws.

Research and Data Practices

Research Environments: We foster inclusive, safe, and supportive research environments that are free from discrimination, harassment, or bias.

Research Procedures: Rigorous, ethical research methodologies are followed, ensuring the welfare and informed consent of participants throughout the research process.

Data Practices and Management: Data is handled with integrity, encompassing accuracy, security, and appropriate use, in compliance with GDPR regulations and other relevant data protection laws.

Publication, Dissemination, and Authorship

Publication Integrity: The integrity of research findings is maintained, with an unwavering commitment to avoiding fabrication, falsification, and plagiarism.

Dissemination: Knowledge is shared openly, transparently, and responsibly to benefit society, advance inclusivity, and promote the greater good.

Authorship: Authorship is attributed based on substantial contributions to the conception, execution, and interpretation of research, in line with established guideline.

Assessment and Evaluation

Fair Evaluation: Individuals and projects are evaluated objectively, considering their merits and contributions, without bias, favoritism, or discrimination.

Conflict of Interest: Conflicts of interest are disclosed and managed to ensure impartiality, objectivity, and fairness in all assessments and evaluations.

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