Information pursuant to Article 13 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR)

Register of Experts and Auditors for EUCCC Certification

1. Purposes of the processing and personal data collected

EUCCC certification requires the involvement of competent professionals, including experts and auditors. A dedicated platform has been created to collect and manage unsolicited applications from professionals wishing to be included in the Register of Experts and Auditors for EUCCC Certification.

The data collected include, in particular: name, contact details (telephone number and email address), domicile or residence, short professional biography, CV, employing organisation and position, professional training, areas of expertise, experience in auditing, assessment, peer review or certification, language skills and, where applicable, professional licence or certification, ORCID number and relevant publications, including DOI or PubMed identifiers.

The data are processed for the following purposes: receiving and managing unsolicited applications; assessing and validating qualifications, skills and experience; establishing, maintaining and managing the EUCCC Register of Experts and Auditors; contacting professionals who may be involved in certification assignments; and, where necessary for the certification scheme, organising training, calibration, peer exchange and Audit Chair development activities aimed at harmonising assessment methods. Submission of an expression of interest is voluntary and takes place at the initiative of the data subject.

The application does not, in itself, constitute a contract, create any entitlement to remuneration, or guarantee final inclusion in the Register, selection or assignment to a certification activity. Where a person is subsequently considered for a specific certification activity, additional documents or steps may be required, including confidentiality undertakings, assignment-specific declarations of conflicts of interest and contractual documents.

The data will also be used to invite experts and auditors to participate in Community activities, peer exchange sessions, use-case discussions, training, calibration activities and Audit Chair development, in order to foster a common understanding of EUCCC certification requirements, harmonise assessment methods and audit approaches, and share experience. These activities are essential for the roll-out of the certification across participating countries, particularly when registered professionals conduct on-site visits.

2. Joint controllers

The joint controllers are Alleanza Contro il Cancro (ACC), whose registered office is located at Via Giorgio Ribotta 5, 00144 Rome, Italy, and the French National Authority for Health (Haute Autorité de santé, HAS), whose registered office is located at 5 avenue du Stade de France, 93218 Saint-Denis La Plaine Cedex, France.

ACC and HAS act as joint controllers for the processing of data relating to the Register. Their respective responsibilities are defined in a joint controller agreement. ACC coordinates the handling of requests to exercise rights relating to the Register; HAS forwards any requests it receives and provides assistance where necessary.

3. Legal bases

The identified legal bases are as follows: Article 6(1)(b) GDPR applies to processing necessary to receive and assess unsolicited applications, verify eligibility for inclusion in the Register and take pre-contractual steps at the applicant's request with a view to a possible certification assignment. Article 6(1)(e) GDPR applies to the establishment, maintenance and operation of the Register where those operations are necessary for the performance of the EUCCC certification mission. This processing is carried out within the framework of Regulation (EU) 2021/522 establishing the EU4Health Programme, the public-interest missions entrusted to HAS under Article L.161-37 of the French Social Security Code and HAS's role as leader of Work Package 5 and temporary EUCCC Certification Scheme Owner. Article 6(1)(c) GDPR applies, where relevant, only to retention operations required by a specific legal obligation.

4. Security measures and access to data

Appropriate technical, organisational and contractual security measures are implemented to protect the data against unauthorised access, loss, alteration, disclosure or misuse, including secure authentication, role-based access control, secure hosting, access logging and regular backups.

The data may be accessed only by specifically authorised persons, according to their duties and on a need-to-know basis. This includes authorised ACC and HAS staff involved in managing the Register, assessing applications, validating expertise and carrying out activities necessary for the certification scheme. Where necessary and subject to appropriate safeguards, technical administrators, IT service providers or hosting providers involved in operating and securing the platform may also have access.

Requesting centres do not have direct access to professionals' profiles, internal validation notes or information relating to conflicts of interest, unless expressly authorised under the applicable procedure.

5. Hosting and transfers of data outside the European Union

Personal data are expected to be hosted within the European Union. No transfer of personal data outside the European Union is currently planned. If a transfer becomes necessary in the future, it will be carried out only where the appropriate safeguards required by law are in place.

6. Retention periods

Retention periods vary according to the following circumstances:

- For applicants who do not meet the requirements for inclusion in the Register, the data are deleted upon completion of the assessment and the decision concerning registration, which generally take place within approximately one month of submission of the expression of interest.
- For persons included in the Register who withdraw their application before a specific contract is formalised, the data are deleted when the application is withdrawn.
- For persons included in the Register for whom one or more contracts have been concluded for expert or audit activities within the certification process, the data will be retained for the periods applicable to the contractual documentation, which may vary according to the type of contract and the country in which the contracting party is located. For information tailored to your specific situation, you may contact the Data Protection Officer.
- For persons included in the Register who have not received any assignment, the data will be retained for as long as they are considered potentially useful for the purposes of the Register, without prejudice to any withdrawal of the application, subject to any specific legal obligation requiring the retention of certain documents.

7. Automated decision-making

No final decision on inclusion in the Register or selection for an assignment is based exclusively on automated processing. Any future selection for a certification activity is subject to human review, taking into account expertise, suitability for the role and the needs of the certification process. Certification operators are responsible for appointing and assigning assessors and for effectively managing any conflicts of interest.

8. Exercise of your rights

To exercise your rights of access, rectification, erasure, restriction of processing, objection and portability, where applicable, or to obtain information about third parties processing personal data, you may contact the ACC Data Protection Officer at monturano@alleanzacontroilcancro.it or the HAS Data Protection Officer at dpo@has-sante.fr. ACC coordinates the handling of requests relating to the Register; HAS forwards any requests it receives and provides assistance where necessary.

For any question concerning the processing of your data or to exercise your rights, you may contact:

ACC Data Protection Officer: monturano@alleanzacontroilcancro.it

HAS Data Protection Officer: dpo@has-sante.fr

You also have the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority if you consider that the processing of your personal data infringes the GDPR.

* Personal data: any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person, directly or indirectly, within the meaning of Article 4(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

☐ I confirm that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided in my expression of interest is accurate, complete and up to date. I undertake to update my profile in the event of any relevant change. I understand that false, misleading, incomplete or outdated information may result in the rejection of my application, my exclusion from the Register of Experts and Auditors, or the removal of my application from consideration for future certification activities.

☐ I confirm that I have read and understood the privacy notice.