

## The Fogarty Institute for Innovation Privacy Policy

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Welcome to the Fogarty Institute for Innovation (“FII”) web site (the “FII Site”). FII values your privacy and the privacy of others who visit and use the FII Site. Visitors and users of the FII Site are referred to individually as “User” and collectively as “Users”.

This Privacy Policy describes what information we gather from you (“You” or “User”), how we use that information, and what we do to protect it. By using the FII Site or submitting an application for Innovator Support program (“Application”), you expressly consent to the information handling practices described in this policy. If you do not want information about you or provided by you to be used in the manner set forth in this Privacy Policy, please do not use the FII Site or submit an Application.

This Privacy Policy is incorporated into and is subject to FII [Terms of Use](#). Your use of the FII Site, any Application and any personal information you provide on the FII Site or to FII are subject to the terms of this Privacy Policy and FII’s [Terms of Use](#).

### Information FII Collects:

- **User-provided Information:** You may provide to FII what is generally called “personally identifiable” information (such as your name, email address, postal mailing address, home/mobile telephone number) when you use the FII Site or submit an Application. From time to time, FII may also ask you to provide other information, including information requested on the Application (“Application Information”). If you choose to provide such information, while submitting an Application or otherwise, you are giving FII the permission to use and store it consistent with this policy.
- **“Cookies” Information:** When you visit the FII Site, whether or not you have submitted an Application, we may send one or more cookies – small text files containing a string of alphanumeric characters – to your computer. Cookies remember information about your activities on a website. FII may use both session cookies and persistent cookies. A session cookie disappears after you close your browser. A persistent cookie remains after you close your browser and may be used by your browser on subsequent visits to the FII Site. Persistent cookies can be removed. Please review your web browser “Help” file to learn the proper way to modify your cookie settings. However, without cookies you may not have access to certain services on the FII Site. Third party advertisements that may be displayed in connection with the FII Site may also contain cookies set by internet advertisers. We do not control these cookies and users of the FII Site should check the privacy policy of the advertiser to see whether and how it uses cookies.
- **“Automatically Collected” Information:** When you visit the FII Site or an HTML email from FII, FII may record certain information from your web browser by using different types of technology, including “clear gifs” or “web beacons”. This “automatically collected” information may include your Internet Protocol address (“**IP Address**”), web browser type, the web pages or sites that you visit just before or just after the FII Site, the pages you view on the FII Site, and the dates and times that you visit the FII Site.

### The Way FII Uses Information:

- FII uses the information you provide or that we collect to operate, maintain, enhance and provide to you all of the features and information found on the FII Site. We will use your email address, without further consent, for administrative purposes and to communicate with you.
- FII uses the Application Information to review the merit of the innovation presented in the Application and decide on whether to pursue a further relationship with you and your team members.

- FII uses all of the information that we collect from Users to understand and analyze the usage trends and preferences of our Users, to improve the way the FII Site works and looks, and to create new features and functionality.
- FII may use “cookies” information and “automatically collected” information to monitor aggregate site usage metrics such as total number of visitors and pages viewed.
- FII may share User information and Application Information with companies that provide services to us, including outside contractors or agents who help us manage our information activities (for example, hosting FII email).

**When FII Discloses Information:**

- FII may disclose Application Information and personally identifiable information to its partners, contractors, consultants, representatives, advisors and agents to obtain assistance in reviewing and evaluating an Application. **FII DOES NOT INTEND TO DISCLOSE APPLICATION INFORMATION TO ENTITIES THAT MAY BE COMPETITIVE TO YOU OR THE BUSINESS VENTURE DESCRIBED ON AN APPLICATION, BUT FII WILL NOT BE LIABLE IN THE EVENT APPLICATION INFORMATION IS SO DISCLOSED.**
- FII discloses automatically collected and other aggregate non-personally-identifiable information with interested third parties to assist such parties in understanding the usage, viewing, and demographic patterns for certain programs, content, services, and/or functionality on the FII Site.
- FII may also disclose User information if required to do so by law or in the good-faith belief that such action is necessary to comply with state and federal laws or respond to a court order, judicial or other government subpoena, or warrant. In some cases, we may make such disclosures without first providing notice to Users.
- FII also reserves the right to disclose User information that we believe, in good faith, is appropriate or necessary to take precautions against liability; protect FII from fraudulent, abusive, or unlawful uses; to investigate and defend ourselves against any third-party claims or allegations; to assist government enforcement agencies; to protect the security or integrity of the FII Site; or to protect the rights, property, or personal safety of FII, our Users, or others.
- In the event that FII is acquired by or merged with a third-party entity, we reserve the right, in any of these circumstances, to transfer or assign the information that we have collected from Users as part of such merger, acquisition, sale, or other change of control.

**Your Choices:**

You may, of course, decline to share your personally-identifiable information and Application Information with FII, in which case FII will not be able to provide to you some of the features and functionality found on the FII Site or consider your Application.

**Third-Party Advertisers, Links to Other Sites:**

The FII Site may be linked to internet websites operated by other companies. Some of these websites may be co-branded with our name or logo, even though they are not operated or maintained by us. Please be aware that FII does not warn you when you have chosen to link through to another website from the FII Site. FII may also permit other companies, called third-party ad servers or ad networks, to serve advertisements within the FII Site. These third-party ad servers or ad networks may use technology to send, directly to your browser, some of the advertisements and links that appear on the FII Site. These advertisers may automatically receive your IP address if this happens. These advertisers may also use other technologies (such as cookies, JavaScript, or Web Beacons) to measure the effectiveness of their advertisements and to personalize the advertising content. You should consult the respective privacy policies of these third-party websites

and third party ad servers or ad networks. FII's privacy policy does not apply to, and we cannot control the activities of, such other third party advertisers or web sites.

### **Our Commitment to Children's Privacy:**

Protecting the privacy of young children is especially important. For that reason, FII does not knowingly collect or maintain personally identifiable information on the FII Site from persons under 13 years-of-age, and no part of the FII Site is directed to persons under 13 years-of-age. **IF YOU ARE UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE, THEN PLEASE DO NOT USE OR ACCESS SITE AT ANY TIME OR IN ANY MANNER OR SUBMIT AN APPLICATION.** If FII learns that personally-identifiable information of persons less than 13-years-of-age has been collected by FII without verifiable parental consent, then FII will take the appropriate steps to delete this information.

### **Our Commitment to Data Security:**

FII uses commercially reasonable physical, managerial, and technical safeguards to preserve the integrity and security of your personal information. We cannot, however, ensure or warrant the security of any information you transmit to FII, and you do so at your own risk. Once we receive your transmission of information, FII makes commercially reasonable efforts to ensure the security of our systems. However, please note that this is not a guarantee that such information may not be accessed, disclosed, altered, or destroyed by breach of any of our physical, technical, or managerial safeguards.

If FII learns of a security systems breach, then we may attempt to notify you electronically so that you can take appropriate protective steps. FII may post a notice on the FII Site if a security breach occurs. Depending on where you live, you may have a legal right to receive notice of a security breach in writing.

### **International Visitors:**

The FII Site is hosted in the United States and is intended solely for visitors located within the United States. If you nonetheless choose to use the FII Site from the European Union or other regions of the world with laws governing data collection and use that may differ from U.S. law, then please note that you are transferring your personally identifiable information outside of those regions to the United States and by providing your personally identifiable information on the FII Site you consent to that transfer.

### **Changes and Updates to this Privacy Policy:**

This Privacy Policy may be revised periodically without further notice to you and this will be reflected by a "Last Modified" date above. Please revisit this page to stay aware of any changes. Your continued use of the FII Site constitutes your agreement to this Privacy Policy and any future revisions.

### **FII Contact Information:**

Please contact FII with any questions or comments about this Privacy Policy, your personal information, our third-party disclosure practices, or your consent choices by email at [infofogarty@fogartyinstitute.org](mailto:infofogarty@fogartyinstitute.org).