

# EU ETHICS HOTLINE-WHISTLEBLOWING DATA PROTECTION NOTICE

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Vibrantz Technologies Inc. ("Vibrantz") depends on you to maintain a business environment of integrity and respect.

### INTRODUCTION

This notice describes the types of personal data that Vibrantz collects when a report ("Report") is submitted relating to potential compliance violations in identified categories; the purposes for which Vibrantz collects that personal data; the other parties with whom Vibrantz may share such personal data; and the measures Vibrantz takes to protect the security of the data. It also tells you about your rights and choices with respect to personal data and how you can contact us about our data protection practices.

A Report can be submitted either (i) by calling our Ethics Hotline ("Hotline") provided by Lighthouse Services, LLC; or (ii) by using the Lighthouse anonymous reporting system ("Whistleblowing System") accessible on the Vibrantz Ethics Hotline Web Portal ("Portal") at the following link https://www.lighthouse-services.com/vibrantz-ethics ("Website").

This notice applies to individuals submitting a report ("Whistleblowers") and to individual(s) mentioned in the Report ("Involved Individual(s)").

Please note that the Whistleblowing System is only one method of reporting potential violations, and reporting via direct supervisors or management are always available.

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### WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE WHISTLEBLOWING SYSTEM AND HOTLINE?

The Hotline and the Whistleblowing System serve the purpose of securely and confidentially receiving, processing and managing Reports regarding severe violations of European Union ("EU") and EU Member States laws in certain areas such as, without limitation, public procurement; financial services, products and markets, and prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing; product safety and compliance; protection of the environment; protection of privacy and personal data, and security of network and information systems.

Disciplinary measures and/or legal prosecution will be undertaken in case of any abuse or misuse of the Hotline and Whistleblowing System (e.g., submission of false statements in a malicious way against individuals).

## WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROCESSING OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

The data controller for the purposes of processing personal data in the context of the Hotline and the Whistleblowing System is Vibrantz Technologies Inc., with a registered office at 15311 Vantage Parkway West, Suite 350, Houston, TX 77032, USA.

Questions, comments, and requests regarding this notice may be addressed to the Vibrantz Legal Department at compliance@vibrantz.com or you may contact our EU Data Protection Coordinator at the following email address: dataprotection@vibrantz.com or phone number: +31 10 4784 935.

### HOW IS YOUR PERSONAL DATA SECURED?

### Operator

The Whistleblowing System is operated by a specialized company, Lighthouse Services, LLC, located at 1710 Walton Road, Suite 204, Blue Bell, PA 19422 USA, on behalf of Vibrantz.

### Security of Personal Data

Vibrantz will take all reasonable steps to ensure that your data, processed in the context of the Whistleblowing System and the Hotline, is treated securely and in accordance with this privacy policy. Unfortunately, the transmission of information via the internet is not completely secure. Although Vibrantz will do its best to protect your personal data, Vibrantz cannot guarantee the security of your data transmitted to our site; any transmission is at your own risk. Once Vibrantz has received your information, it will be managed, utilizing appropriate technical and organizational security measures, as to protect your data against loss, misuse, unauthorized access, disclosure or alteration.

The security of personal data processed in the context of the Whistleblowing System and the Hotline is ensured by extensive technical and organizational measures. All data stored are encrypted with multiple levels of logical security so that access is restricted to a very small selection of expressly authorized persons at Vibrantz Technologies. For a more detailed description of the system security strategies, please contact Vibrantz's Legal Department on +1 832 241 2169 or email compliance@vibrantz.com.

# Access to Personal Data

Lighthouse Services, LLC operates a database, in a secured data center, operated by Iron Mountain Data Centers, LLC, that stores the personal data and information processed by the Whistleblowing System and the Hotline. The personal data and information processed by the Whistleblowing System and the Hotline is only accessible to Vibrantz and Lighthouse Services, LLC. Other third parties do not have access to the personal data and information.

# WHAT TYPES OF PERSONAL DATA DOES VIBRANTZ PROCESS?

The use of the Whistleblowing System is voluntary. If the Whistleblower submits a Report through the Hotline or the Whistleblowing System, Vibrantz processes the following personal data that the Whistleblower chooses to provide:

- The name and contact information of the Whistleblower, if he or she chooses to reveal his or her identity;
- The name and surname of persons to whom the Whistleblower reported the violation provided in the Report (i.e., any person responsible for supervision or management and any person outside of Vibrantz);
- The name and surname of the Involved Individual(s) in the Report;
- Whether the Whistleblower is employed at or in a business relationship with Vibrantz; and
- Whether the Involved Individual(s) is/are employed at or in a business relationship with Vibrantz.

Vibrantz will also collect additional information and personal data that the Whistleblower chooses to provide to us. The processing of personal data will however be limited to personal data strictly necessary to verify the allegations.

## FOR WHICH PURPOSES DOES VIBRANTZ PROCESS PERSONAL DATA?

The processing of personal data through the Hotline and the Whistleblowing System is undertaken for the following purposes and corresponding legal basis:

Purpose	Legal Basis
Detecting and preventing misconduct	Legitimate interests
Compliance with legal obligations	Legal obligation

### WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS OF THE REPORT?

Subject to any applicable laws and regulations, Vibrantz will disclose personal data that is provided in the Report or collected through any investigation to the following recipients:

### Within our organization

- Incoming Reports are received by a limited selection of expressly authorized staff members employed by Vibrantz, its subsidiaries and affiliates competent to receive such Reports ("Authorized Staff Members") (e.g., Vibrantz's Assistant General Counsel). Authorized Staff Members handle Reports confidentially and perform a comprehensive assessment of the subject matter to protect the interests of Vibrantz.
- During the processing of a Report and in the course of an investigation, it may become necessary to share the information and personal data with additional employees of Vibrantz, its subsidiaries and affiliates in and outside the EU.

### To third parties

- The Hotline and Whistleblowing System service provider also has access to your personal data and the information included in the Report.
- It may also be necessary to share information and personal data to other external service providers (e.g., lawyers, auditors, etc.) and public authorities and officials (e.g., prosecutors, judges, etc.) to protect the interests of Vibrantz.
- Your personal data may also be disclosed to a buyer or other successor in the event of a merger, divestiture, restructuring, reorganization, dissolution, or other sale or transfer of some or all of Vibrantz's assets, whether as a going concern or as part of bankruptcy, liquidation, or similar proceeding, in which personal data held by Vibrantz is among the assets transferred.

We will only grant access to personal data on a strict need-to know basis.

### HOW DOES VIBRANTZ DEAL WITH INTERNATIONAL TRANSFERS OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

Vibrantz ensures (i) that appropriate safeguards are implemented to secure transfers of personal data outside of the EU; and (ii) that such data transfers are in compliance with applicable data protection laws. Vibrantz is committed to adequately protect personal data relating to the Whistleblower and to the Involved Individual(s) mentioned in the Report.

Vibrantz has therefore implemented international data transfer agreements based on EU Standard Contractual Clauses to cover our international data transfers and a copy of these clauses can be obtained by contacting the EU Data Protection Coordinator.

# WHAT KIND OF INFORMATION WILL THE INVOLVED INDIVIDUAL(S) IN THE REPORT RECEIVE?

Vibrantz is bound by law to inform the Involved Individual(s) in the Report that we have received a report containing personal data concerning him or her, unless the notification jeopardizes the investigations. In such a case, notification to the Involved Individual(s) in the Report may be delayed as long as such risk exists.

### WHAT ARE THE DATA PROTECTION RIGHTS?

The Whistleblower and the Involved Individual(s) in the Report have the following data protection rights:

- Right to access to, rectification and erasure of personal data;
- Right to restriction of processing;
- Right to object to the processing of personal data. If the right of objection is exercised, we will immediately examine to what extent the stored data is still necessary for the processing of a Report. Personal data is immediately deleted when it is no longer required;
- Right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority; and
- Right to withdraw consent where the processing is based on consent (i.e. where the Whistleblower consented to disclosing his/her identity to the Involved Individual(s) when submitting the Report)

These data protection rights can be exercised at any time by contacting the EU Data Protection Coordinator.

However, the exercise of these rights may be restricted or delayed not to jeopardize an investigation taking place in the context of the Report, as well as to ensure the protection of the rights and freedoms of others involved in the particular case.

The Involved Individual(s) will not be able to obtain information relating to the identity of the Whistleblower on the basis of his or her right of access to data, except if the allegations made reveal themselves as maliciously made false statements or if the Whistleblower consents to such disclosure.

# WHERE DOES YOUR PERSONAL DATA COME FROM?

Personal data relating to the Whistleblower is provided by the Whistleblower himself or herself, if he or she chooses to reveal his or her identity.

Personal data relating to the Involved Individual(s) in the Report is provided to Vibrantz by the Whistleblower when he or she submits a Report.

Vibrantz must disclose the name of the Whistleblower to the Involved Individual(s) subject to consent by the Whistleblower and at the latest one month after the Report was made.

### HOW LONG DOES VIBRANTZ RETAIN YOUR PERSONAL DATA FOR?

Vibrantz will not retain personal data processed longer than allowed under the applicable data protection laws. In any case, Vibrantz will not retain it longer than such personal data is necessary for the purpose for which it was collected or otherwise processed, subject to applicable local retention requirements.

As a general rule, personal data processed in the context of the Report will be deleted within twelve (12) months of completion of the investigation, except for personal data from reports coming from the EU, in which case such personal data will be deleted within two (2) months of the completion of the investigation, subject to exceptions under applicable law regarding the facts alleged in a Report.

Where legal proceedings or disciplinary measures are initiated against the Whistleblower or the Involved Individual(s) in the Report, personal data will be retained until the conclusion of these proceedings and the period allowed for any appeal, subject to applicable national laws. In addition, personal data will be stored as long as the applicable statutory provisions require Vibrantz to do so. Personal data relating to unfounded allegations will be deleted without delay once determined unfounded.