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The Japan-Affiliated Research Community Network (hereinafter referred to as “JARC-Net”) is a researcher information database created and operated by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science for the purpose of maintaining/expanding research networks between Japan and other countries/areas. To use JARC-Net, you must agree to the Japan-Affiliated Research Community Network Terms of Use (hereinafter referred to as “Terms of Use”). Be sure to read the Terms of Use before registering onto JARC-Net. All users of JARC-Net shall be regarded as having agreed to the Terms of Use.

Japan-Affiliated Research Community Network (JARC-Net) Terms of Use

Article 1: Objective and Definition

1. The Terms of Use are intended to stipulate matters that must be complied with concerning the use of the Japan-Affiliated Research Community Network operated by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (hereinafter referred to as “JSPS”).
2. Definitions of terminology used in the following items of the Terms of Use shall be as stipulated by each item.
 - A) “JARC-Net” refers to the Japan-Affiliated Research Community Network and related utilization guidance, etc.
 - B) “Users” refers to persons who agree to all the conditions contained in the Terms of Use and use or attempt to use JARC-Net.

Article 2: Intellectual Property Rights

1. Copyrights to all data contained on the JARC-Net Website, including text, graphics, photographs, trademarks and logos (hereinafter referred to as “data”), industrial property, and all other rights or utilization/usage rights shall belong to JSPS, unless otherwise indicated.
2. JARC-Net includes software licensed to JSPS by license suppliers (hereinafter referred to as “suppliers”), where suppliers retain the rights to the software.
3. Copying, modifying, public transmission of, enabling transmission of, screening/distributing or loaning data contained in JARC-Net without permission of JSPS is forbidden by law.

Article 3: Prohibited Uses

1. Users are prohibited from doing the following:
 - A) Distribution, transmission or provision by other methods of the data contained in JARC-Net in part or in its entirety to any third party or parties.
 - B) Modification, reverse compilation or reverse assembly of any application related to JARC-Net.

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Article 4: Responsibility of Users

1. Users shall use JARC-Net at their own risk. JSPS shall assume no responsibility whatsoever for any damages or loss incurred from using JARC-Net.
2. Users shall provide all equipment necessary for using JARC-Net (including software and Internet connection) at their own expense. Users shall bear the expense of communication required for using JARC-Net and all other expense related to using JARC-Net.
3. Users shall strive to keep information registered with JARC-Net accurate and up-to-date. If there is a change in his/her registered contents, the user shall perform the required procedure to update the information without delay.

Article 5: Objective of Usage and Handling of Personal Information

1. Personal information provided to JARC-Net, including that which is not disclosed on the Internet, shall be utilized/provided for the following objectives:
 - A) Maintaining/expanding of research networks between Japan and other countries/areas.
 - B) Data for planning/implementing national science and technology policy and higher education policy
2. Handling of personal information by JARC-Net shall comply with the Law Concerning the Protection of Personal Information by Independent Administrative Institutions (IAI Privacy Protection Law) and JSPS's Privacy Policy.

Article 6: Declinature of Guarantee and Exemption from Obligation

1. JARC-Net is offered in its current state to users. JSPS and/or its suppliers shall offer no guarantee whatsoever, including that JARC-Net is free of programming error(s) or defect(s), that JARC-Net is suitable for any specific objective, or that JARC-Net or its use does not infringe on the right(s) of any user or users, or any third party or parties other than JARC-Net users.
2. Neither JSPS nor any of its suppliers shall be obligated to perform repair, maintenance or any other duty or duties concerning JARC-Net. Neither JSPS nor any of its suppliers shall be liable for damages or loss incurred by any user or users, or damages or loss incurred by any user or users based on any bill or bills from any third party or parties originating from use of JARC-Net, regardless of the cause.
3. Neither JSPS nor any of its suppliers shall offer guarantee that any of the information on JARC-Net is complete, accurate or up-to-date.
4. JARC-Net contains links to websites provided by third parties for which JSPS bears no responsibility and other information. JSPS shall assume no responsibility for any damages or loss incurred from such website and information, or use of them.

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Article 7: Limit of Operation and Exemption from Obligation

1. In the event of an accident or other reason JARC-Net requires maintenance and/or repair, JSPS reserves the right to stop, suspend or interrupt operation at its discretion without prior notification to users, regardless of the reason. In the case where any of the following apply, JSPS shall stop or limit use of JARC-Net to users:
 - A) When JARC-Net is used for an objective that is in violation of the Terms of Use
 - B) When there is unauthorized access to JARC-Net such as DoS attack
 - C) When file(s) contaminated with a virus, etc., are intentionally uploaded to JARC-Net
 - D) When operation or administration of JARC-Net is obstructed or is in danger of being obstructed.
2. JSPS shall assume no responsibility whatsoever for any damages or loss incurred by any user or users due to stoppage, suspension or interruption of JARC-Net operation.

Article 8: Modification

1. JSPS reserves the right to revise JARC-Net as it sees fit. In such cases, conditions of the Terms of Use shall apply as conditions of the revised edition of the Terms of Use for JARC-Net.
2. If deemed necessary, JSPS reserves the right to alter conditions of or add new conditions to the Terms of Use at any time without prior notification to users.
3. In the case where a user continues to use JARC-Net subsequent to said alteration of the conditions, he/she shall be regarded as having agreed to the conditions subsequent to the alteration or addition.

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