GDPR Job Applicant Privacy Notice

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Introduction

Cor Financial Solutions Ltd and its subsidiaries are committed to protecting the privacy and security of your personal information.

This privacy notice describes how we collect and use personal information about you during and after your working relationship with us, in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR).

Cor Financial Solutions Ltd and its subsidiaries are "data controllers". This means that we are responsible for deciding how we hold and use personal information about you. You are being sent a copy of this privacy notice because you are applying for work with us (whether as an employee, worker, self-employed consultant or contractor). It makes you aware of how and why your personal data will be used, namely for the purposes of the recruitment exercise, and how long it will usually be retained for. It provides you with certain information that must be provided under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR).

In relation to self-employed consultants and contractors, references to 'employer' and employment related activities should be construed as referring to Cor Financial Solutions Ltd or its subsidiaries and its activities as the business with which the self-employed consultant or contractor is potentially contracting to carry out work, in so far as those activities relate to the arrangements entered into between the self-employed consultant or contractor and Cor Financial Solutions or its subsidiaries. Personal data will only be collected where it is relevant to the arrangements Cor Financial Solutions Ltd or its subsidiaries are proposing to enter into with each individual or company. Nothing in this privacy notice shall affect the status of a self-employed consultant or contractor or shall render them a potential employee, worker, agent or partner of Cor Financial Solutions Ltd or its subsidiaries.

Data protection principles

We will comply with data protection law and principles, which means that your data will be:

- Used lawfully, fairly and in a transparent way.
- Collected only for valid purposes that we have clearly explained to you and not used in any way that is incompatible with those purposes.
- Relevant to the purposes we have told you about and limited only to those purposes.
- Accurate and kept up to date.

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- Kept only as long as necessary for the purposes we have told you about.
- Kept securely.

The kind of information we hold about you

In connection with your application for work with us, we will collect, store, and use the following categories of personal information about you:

- The information you have provided to us in your curriculum vitae and covering letter.
- The information you have provided on any application form, including name, title, address, telephone number, personal email address, date of birth, gender, employment history, educational history and qualifications.
- Any information you provide to us during an interview.
- Any other information you provide to us during the application process in any format, including any tender documents (where applicable).

How is your personal information collected?

We may collect personal information about candidates from the following sources:

- You, the candidate.
- Recruitment agencies.
- Your named referees.

How we will use information about you

We will use the personal information we collect about you to:

- Assess your skills, qualifications, and suitability for the role.
- Carry out background and reference checks, where applicable.
- Communicate with you about the recruitment process.
- Keep records related to our hiring processes.
- Comply with legal or regulatory requirements.

It is in our legitimate interests to decide whether to appoint you to work for the organisation since it would be beneficial to our business to appoint someone to the roles which we have

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advertised at any given time. We also need to process your personal information to decide whether to enter into a contract of employment, a contract for services or any other arrangement with you.

Having received the information you have provided to us as part of the application process, we will then process that information to decide whether you meet the basic requirements to be shortlisted for the role. If you do, we will decide whether your application is strong enough to invite you for an interview. If we decide to call you for an interview, we will use the information you provide to us at the interview to decide whether to offer you the role. If we decide to offer you the role, we will then take up references and carry out any other pre-recruitment checks we need to do before confirming your appointment.

If you fail to provide information when requested, which is necessary for us to consider your application (such as evidence of qualifications or work history), we will not be able to process your application successfully. For example, if we require a credit check or references for this role and you fail to provide us with relevant details, we will not be able to take your application further.

How we process references

We will use the details that you provide regarding your named referees in order to request a reference for you. If you provide personal contact details for your named referees (for example for the purposes of a personal reference), by providing these details to us you are confirming that you have the named referees' consent to provide such information to us.

If you are named as a referee, we will use the personal contact details provided to us by the job applicant in order to contact you to request a reference. We will subsequently process any information you provide in response to a reference request (as set out above) in accordance with our legitimate business interests to carry out reference checks for prospective employees or self-employed consultants.

Information about criminal convictions

We do not envisage that we will process information about criminal convictions.

Automated decision-making

You will not be subject to decisions that will have a significant impact on you based solely on automated decision-making.

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Data sharing

Why might you share my personal information with third parties?

Where your application involves the use of a recruitment agent, we may also pass information regarding the progress of your application, including feedback on your performance in the recruitment process, and the terms on which we are prepared to make a job offer, if applicable, to your recruitment agent. All our third-party service providers and other entities in the group are required to take appropriate security measures to protect your personal information in line with our policies. We do not allow our third-party service providers to use your personal data for their own purposes. We only permit them to process your personal data for specified purposes and in accordance with our instructions.

Data security

We have put in place appropriate security measures to prevent your personal information from being accidentally lost, used or accessed in an unauthorised way, altered or disclosed. Details of these security measures can be obtained from our data protection officer. In addition, we limit access to your personal information to those employees, agents, contractors and other third parties who have a business need-to- know. They will only process your personal information on our instructions, and they are subject to a duty of confidentiality.

We have put in place procedures to deal with any suspected data security breach and will notify you and any applicable regulator of a suspected breach where we are legally required to do so.

Data retention

How long will you use my information for?

In circumstances where you have not been appointed as a result of the recruitment process, we shall usually retain information about you on our HR databases for a period of six months after we have made the relevant appointment, subject to any additional legal obligations and in accordance with any legitimate interests of the company. We retain this information for that period so that we can show, in the event of a legal claim, that we have not discriminated against candidates on prohibited grounds and that we have conducted the recruitment exercise in a fair and transparent way. After this period, we will securely destroy your personal information from our HR records in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. If we wish to retain your personal information in our HR records on the basis that a further opportunity may arise in the future and we may wish to consider you for that opportunity, we

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will write to you separately seeking your explicit consent to retain your personal information for a fixed period of time on that basis. After we have deleted your details from our HR records, we may still retain some information about you that has been exchanged in email correspondence with other members of staff involved in the recruitment process. As there is no easy way to delete these emails separately, this information will be deleted in line with our destruction policy for emails, which is around 10 years.

Rights of access, correction, erasure, and restriction

Your rights in connection with personal information

Under certain circumstances, by law you have the right to:

- **Request access** to your personal information (commonly known as a "data subject access request"). This enables you to receive a copy of the personal information we hold about you and to check that we are lawfully processing it.
- **Request correction** of the personal information that we hold about you. This enables you to have any incomplete or inaccurate information we hold about you corrected.
- **Request erasure** of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to delete or remove personal information where there is no good reason for us continuing to process it. You also have the right to ask us to delete or remove your personal information where you have exercised your right to object to processing (see below).
- **Object to processing** of your personal information where we are relying on a legitimate interest (or those of a third party) and there is something about your particular situation which makes you want to object to processing on this ground. You also have the right to object where we are processing your personal information for direct marketing purposes.
- **Request the restriction of processing** of your personal information. This enables you to ask us to suspend the processing of personal information about you, for example if you want us to establish its accuracy or the reason for processing it.
- **Request the transfer** of your personal information to another party.

If you want to review, verify, correct or request erasure of your personal information, object to the processing of your personal data, or request that we transfer a copy of your personal information to another party, please contact Jon Glover in writing (jon.glover@corfinancialgroup.com).

Data protection officer

We have appointed a data protection officer (DPO), Jon Glover to oversee compliance with this privacy notice. If you have any questions about this privacy notice or how we handle your personal information, please contact the DPO. You have the right to make a complaint at any time to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), the UK supervisory authority for data protection issues.