Privacy Policy for the DATAREADY Online Assessment Tool for Data Literacy Skills

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This Privacy Policy outlines how the DATAREADY Project ("we," "us," or "our") collects, uses, and protects personal data gathered through our Drupal-based educational platform.

As part of the DATAREADY European Project (funded under the EU Erasmus+ framework), we are committed to protecting the privacy of all participating teachers, students, and educators in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR 2016/679).

1. Data Controller & Contact Information

The Data Controller responsible for the processing of your personal data on this platform is:

- **Project Name:** DATAREADY Project
- **Lead Institution / Partner:** IDEC SA
- **Address:** 96, Iroon Polytechniou Avenue 18536 Piraeus, Greece
- **Data Protection Officer (DPO) / Privacy Contact:** dataprotection@idec.gr

2. What Personal Data We Collect

We adhere to the principle of **data minimization**. We only collect the minimum amount of personal data necessary to operate the platform and conduct project research:

- **Account Data:** Username, Email Address, and Password (stored in an encrypted/hashed format via Drupal's core user system).
- **Questionnaire Responses:** Answers submitted by teachers and students regarding classroom progress, data literacy skills, and educational feedback.
- **Technical Log Data:** Standard website operational logs, including IP addresses, browser type, and timestamps generated by our Drupal web server for technical maintenance and security.

Note: Passwords are encrypted upon creation and are never stored in plain text or visible to platform administrators.

3. Purpose and Legal Basis for Processing

We process your personal data under the following legal bases pursuant to Article 6(1) of the EU GDPR:

Data Type	Purpose of Processing	Legal Basis (GDPR Art. 6)
Account Data	To create and manage your platform login, deliver progress questionnaires, and verify authorized access.	**Article 6(1)(b):** Performance of a contract / Platform Terms of Use.
Questionnaire Answers	To evaluate classroom progress and aggregate research insights for the DATAREADY project.	**Article 6(1)(e):** Task carried out in the public interest / Scientific research.
Technical & Log Data	System security, server stability, and defense against unauthorized access.	**Article 6(1)(f):** Legitimate interest in maintaining platform integrity.

4. Anonymization of Questionnaire Data

To fulfill the research goals of the DATAREADY project while protecting participant privacy:

- Your identifying profile data (username and email) is kept separate from research analytical datasets.
- Questionnaire responses are aggregated and anonymized prior to academic reporting, project deliverable publications, or presentation to EU monitoring bodies.
- Individual participants will never be identified by name in any public project reports or scholarly articles.

5. Data Sharing and Third Parties

Your personal data will never be sold, leased, or commercialized. Data access is strictly limited to:

1. **Project Consortium Partners:** Authorized personnel from participating DATAREADY consortium institutions who require access for research evaluation.
2. **Hosting Providers:** The platform is hosted on servers located within the European Union

3. **European Commission Audit Bodies:** If required by EU funding regulations for project reporting and verification purposes.

No personal data is transferred outside the European Economic Area (EEA) unless appropriate safeguards under GDPR Chapter V are established.

6. Retention Period

- **Account Data (Username & Email):** Retained for the active duration of the DATAREADY project implementation phase and up to **5 years** following the formal end of the project, as required by EU Erasmus+ grant audit obligations.
- **Anonymized Questionnaire Data:** May be retained indefinitely for academic research and secondary data literacy studies.
- Account deletion can be requested at any time (see Section 8).

7. Security Measures

Our platform implements technical and organizational measures to safeguard your personal data:

- Encrypted HTTPS connections (SSL/TLS) for all web traffic.
- Password hashing using secure cryptographic algorithms.
- Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) ensuring only authorized project administrators can view user profile lists.
- Regular Drupal core and security module updates.

8. Your Data Protection Rights under GDPR

Under European data protection law, you have the following rights regarding your data:

- **Right of Access (Art. 15):** Request a copy of the personal data held about you.
- **Right to Rectification (Art. 16):** Correct inaccurate or incomplete profile information.
- **Right to Erasure / "To Be Forgotten" (Art. 17):** Request the deletion of your account and profile data.
- **Right to Restrict Processing (Art. 18):** Request that we temporarily suspend processing your personal data.
- **Right to Data Portability (Art. 20):** Receive your personal data in a structured, commonly used machine-readable format.

- **Right to Lodge a Complaint:** You have the right to lodge a complaint with a national Data Protection Authority (e.g., the Hellenic Data Protection Authority in Greece or your local EU supervisory body) if you believe your rights have been infringed.

To exercise any of these rights, please contact us at **dataprotection@idec.gr**

9. Cookies and Tracking

This platform uses **essential session cookies** necessary for platform core authentication and user login functionality. We do not use third-party marketing trackers or advertising pixels.

10. Changes to This Policy

We may update this Privacy Policy periodically to reflect site updates or regulatory changes. The "Last Updated" date at the top of this page will indicate when revisions take effect.