1. Field of application

This charter defines the rules of use of computing resources at the University Paris-Sud 11, in strict conformity to legislation and the deontological charter of the national telecommunications network for technology, teaching and research (réseau national de télécommunications pour la technologie, l'enseignement et la recherche, RENATER), to ensure that the underlying data systems function normally. It describes the sanctions to be applied in cases of failure to comply with these regulations, and highlights the major reference texts.

It is applicable to all individuals with access to computing resources at the University Paris-Sud 11. Signatories will be held responsible if they fail to comply with this charter.

2. Conditions of access to computing resources

Access to computing resources at the University Paris-Sud 11 must be authorised and will only be permitted for the professional activities of the signatory. These resources may not be used for projects that do not conform to the missions and roles of the University Paris-Sud 11, except in cases of exemption, as agreed by the president of the university.

The means of access to computing resources, of any nature (password, certificate, smart card etc.), is strictly personal and non-transferable. The means of access is withdrawn as soon as its holder no longer meets the allocation criteria outlined above. In cases of loss or theft, users must contact their computing representative, who will take the necessary measures.

With the exception of cases having prior authorisation from the computing management, it is forbidden to use information technology equipment that could interfere in any way with the computing resources of University Paris-Sud 11.

All files, with the exception of those identified as being personal, are the property of the University Paris-Sud 11.

The user can request, from the computing management, that any particular information concerning themselves be made available to them, and can modify such information, conforming to the French data protection law of 6th January 1978 (loi n° 78-17 du 6 janvier 1978 relative à l'informatique, aux fichiers et aux libertés).

3. Compliance with computing deontology

The signatory must not intentionally carry out operations which could, notably, result in the following:
- cause the deterioration of the site where information technology equipment is kept ;
- steal or use another user's means of access to the computing resources of the University Paris-Sud 11 ;
- conceal their true identity or assume the identity of a third party ;
- intercept communication between other users ;
- access other users' data without their authorisation, and delete or modify these data ;
- adversely affect the private life of another user ;
- adversely affect the integrity or sensitivity of another user, in particular through provoking, defamatory (slanderous), discriminatory, hateful or harmful images or text ;
- incite the consumption of illicit substances ;
- abuse the use of shared computing resources ;
- interrupt or alter the normal functioning of the network or of any of the systems connected to the network;
- circumvent the measures taken to control and restrict access on the network or systems connected to the network;
- reproduce, represent or distribute intellectual property (music, literary extracts, photography) in violation with the rights of authorship;
- copy commercial software or circumvent their systems of protection, or circumvent intellectual property rights.

If, as part of their work or missions, the signatory wishes to create files of personalised data, he/she must, before any such activity, inform the establishment's representative for computing and rights.

4. Management of the computing networks and systems

The signatory is informed and expressly accepts that the computing management supervises the correct use of computing resources at the University Paris-Sud 11, and that supervisory investigations may result in accessing data that are private or confidential; in particular, connection histories are kept for a maximum period of one year.

The signatory accepts that the computing management may take emergency measures, such as the limitation or interruption of the functioning of part of, or all, computing networks and systems at the University Paris-Sud 11, to maintain security in the event of an incident communicated to the information technology management.

However, any such procedure will be accompanied by discussions with the users concerned and will only be carried out if technically feasible and legally sound.

5. Sanctions

In the event of a breach of regulations laid out in this charter, the computing management reserves the right to immediately remove, for an undefined period, access of the user concerned to part of, or all, the computing resources of the University Paris-Sud 11. The relevant authorities will be informed and the signatory will be subject to disciplinary action and/or penalty depending on the nature of the offence.

6. Legal framework

Principal reference texts:
- French data protection law n° 78-17 of 6th January 1978 (loi 78-17 du 6 janvier 1978 relative à l'informatique, aux fichiers et aux libertés);
- articles 323-1 to 323-7 of the penal code relating to crimes and violation of property;
- articles L335-2 and L335-3 of the intellectual property code;
- law 2006-961 of 1st August 2006 relating to the authorship rights of associated rights in computing;

7. Modification of the charter

The signatory is informed that this charter may be modified at any moment. Users will periodically be notified of modifications.

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Course / Department / Laboratory :
Place : Date : Signature :

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