

# Charter of Use

## Projection network's website

### Foreword

This charter was elaborated in order to explain to the users the terms of use of Projection's website, regarding in particular the use of communication services enabling them to post comments and share contributions on the website. Such a charter is aiming at making the use of Projection's website as fair and comfortable as possible for each and every user.

A work of moderation will be conducted to verify that the present Charter is respected. However we remind all users of the site that:

- writing and publishing on a website means engaging one's liability regarding what one has written
- because it is a collaborative tool, Projection's website may at any time hold some mistakes, omissions, obsolete information.

### 1. Perimeter

Projection is an exchange platform on basic services in developing countries, addressing primarily to professionals from this sector. However, we felt it was interesting to provide some documentation on basic services to the public, edited whether by Projection whether by one or several of its members.

### 2. Users' status

**Users:** Every person using the website is considered as a user, whether this person is logged in or not.

**Network members:** Network members, who will have registered beforehand, will receive a username which will grant them access to certain parts of the site (detailed in the next paragraph).

**Moderator:** Moderators have the right and ability, given by the administrator, to validate messages posted by users, after they have verified that these messages did respect the present charter.

### 3. Access to the different parts of the website

It is necessary to distinguish what is accessible or not, on each part of the website (Projection's news and the collaborative platform)

#### 1. Projection's news

Comments on this part of Projection's website are open to the public so that everyone has the opportunity to discuss freely and ask questions about subjects related to urban basic services in developing countries. However, in order to prevent spams and other malicious acts, every user willing to post comments will be prompted to identify his/herself by giving his/her name and e-mail address (not published). Moreover, in order to guarantee the best quality of exchanges and to protect the users from insulting or inappropriate messages from tactless users, comments and articles are moderated *a priori*, which means authorized persons (the moderators) have the ability not to publish messages that would not comply with the present charter.

#### 2. Members' collaborative platform

- Public users can read all the documents available on the platform, except for the documents published within the members' area of the platform.
- Projection's members have access to all articles on the platform and have the ability to modify them; a member's profile can only be modified by the member his/herself or by the administrator.

#### **4. Mutual respect**

##### **1. On the whole website**

In a general manner, every website user must have a proper behavior, in compliance with the website's philosophy and respectful towards other website members.

##### **2. About the members' exchange area**

More specifically, the members' collaborative platform is fed by young professionals, members of the network, contributing on a voluntary basis. Please, remember this fact when using the exchange area to get information from one of the members.

- Each new message will thus preferably contain a proper and polite introduction. In the same spirit, in order to encourage contributions from every user, it is generally appreciated to thank the persons answering your questions. In a general manner, courtesy is advised in the exchange area.
- Before sending any new message, it is recommended that you use the website's search engine to check that the information you are looking for is not already available on the website. There might not be an immediate answer from other members. Moreover, for everybody's comfort, it is recommended that you do not post your message more than once in the exchange area.

#### **5. Neutrality**

##### **1. Commercial neutrality**

The users are prompted to respect the commercial neutrality of the website. Thus, messages seeking advice from other users regarding a particular website, or recommending an address, will be tolerated as long as:

- Only one message is posted on the blog or on the collaborative platform. Otherwise, messages will be considered as SPAM and will all be deleted.
- The concerned URL is not related to any affiliation program, any website giving advice/tips on how to win easy money, or any website containing elements that do not comply with the present charter.

For the same reasons, URLs are not allowed in the signatures.

##### **2. Religious, political and cultural neutrality**

In order to preserve the website non-religious nature from any proselytizing, users are prompted not to publicly mention their private religious or political beliefs in their signature or profile.

#### **6. Legislation**

Every website – and by extension every user – is subject to the legislation of the country in which it is hosted. Thus, Projection and its users must respect the French legislation.

Are notably forbidden (non exhaustive list) – and if necessary criminally punished:

- Attack on others' privacy (naming third parties without their explicit agreement). In this case, sending unsolicited electronic messages to users of the website is forbidden;
- Defamation and insults;
- Incitement to crimes and offences, suicide, discrimination, racial hatred or violence;
- Justifying any kind of crime, notably murder, rape, war crimes and crimes against humanity; denying crimes against humanity;
- Reproduction, representation and distribution of copyrighted work.
- Advertising or commercial messages.