Data Protection Policy

1. General Information
Graz University of Technology (hereinafter referred to as “TU Graz”) assigns the highest priority to the protection of your data. All our procedures and processes conform to the applicable data protection regulations. In order to carry out the activities that fall under the joint responsibility of TU Graz and AlumniTUGraz 1887 - Association of Graduates, Friends and Supporters of TU Graz (hereinafter the “Association” or “AlumniTUGraz 1887”), it is necessary to process your personal data for certain purposes. Therefore, to fulfil our legal obligations, we provide you with information in this policy about the nature, purpose and legal basis of our data processing, among other things.

2. Responsible Party
The party responsible for processing your personal data is Graz University of Technology, Rechbauerstraße 12, 8010 Graz and the association AlumniTUGraz 1887, Petersgasse 10, 8010 Graz.

3. Categories of Persons and Data Categories
TU Graz and the Association jointly process personal data for the following persons: (1) all graduates of bachelor's, master's, diploma, doctoral, teaching degree programmes and university courses offered at TU Graz, regardless of whether they are or were in a valid employment relationship with TU Graz and (2) persons without a degree at TU Graz, if they
a) are or were in a valid employment relationship with TU Graz, but only if they have voluntarily joined the Association;
b) are honorary citizens (honorary senators or honorary doctorates) or serve as active or former executive bodies of TU Graz;
c) are nominated representatives of a TU Graz business partner;
d) are persons of public interest; or
e) are other persons who have expressed their interest in receiving information, participating, or providing support as part of the Association.

With respect to the persons referred to under (1), these personal data can include:

Master data (current first name and surname, first name and surname at the time of graduation, date of birth, gender, nationality), availability data (business and private postal address, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address), degree programme data (matriculation number, degree programme code and name of the programme completed, date of graduation, title, abstract, committee members/supervisor and institute), professional curriculum vitae, administrative data (type of Association membership, date of joining/leaving, amount of membership fee, functions in the Association, payment data), image data (photos from the study period, from the silver, golden, diamond diploma, etc.).
With respect to the persons referred to under (2) a), these personal data can include:

Master data (first and last name, date of birth, gender, nationality), contact data (business and private postal address, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address), administrative data (type of Association membership, date of joining/leaving, amount of membership fee, functions in the Association, payment data) as well as the institute affiliation, habilitation, professorship, functions in TU Graz governing bodies.

With respect to the persons referred to under (2) b), these personal data can include:

Master data (first and last name, date of birth, gender, nationality), contact data (business and private postal address, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address), administrative data (type of Association membership, date of joining/leaving) as well as – if applicable – institute affiliation, habilitation, professorship, functions in TU Graz governing bodies.

With respect to the persons referred to under (2) c), d) and e), these personal data can include:

First and last name, title and contact details (business and private postal address, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address).

4. Purpose and Legal Basis

The central TU Graz Alumni Association grants TU Graz graduates the opportunity to maintain and expand contacts with their university and their former fellow students, supports TU Graz by helping it both to fulfil its legal duties towards graduates and to achieve its goals, tasks and projects. In addition, the Association is committed to documenting the cultural impacts of TU Graz.

The personal data of all persons mentioned in section 3. are processed by TU Graz and the AlumniTUGraz 1887 Association for the purpose of maintaining contact. The legal basis for the processing of these personal data for the persons mentioned in section 3. (1) is the public interest according to Art. 6 para. 1 lit. e of the DSGVO (in German: Datenschutzgrundverordnung, equivalent to the GDPR), especially since the TU Graz is required to maintain contact with its alumni in its role as a public university according to § 3 para. 10 UG 2002 (the Universities Act 2002). With regard to the ways in which personal data of the persons mentioned in section 3. (2) are processed, the legal basis is the legitimate interest of TU Graz as a public university to maintain contact with its employees and former employees, dignitaries, or active or former management bodies of TU Graz, nominated representatives of a TU Graz business partner, as well as persons of public interest (Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f DSGVO). The legal basis for the ways in which the personal data of other persons who have expressed their interest in receiving information, participating, or providing support as part of the Alumni Association are processed is their voluntary consent pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 lit. a DSGVO.

5. Data Receiver

Unless separately stated, your personal data will not be passed on to third parties.

6. Data Storage Limits

We will store your personal data until the purpose of data processing has been achieved or until the right to process the data has been revoked and the data have been deleted.

In addition, we only store your data if legal obligations exist to retain these data for specific periods or if limitation periods regarding potential legal claims are open.
7. Data Subject Rights

You have the right to access, rectify, request a copy of, restrict access to, revoke access to and delete your personal data. Keep in mind, however, that exercising these rights does not lead to a termination of contractual or legal obligations.

If you have concerns about data protection or would like to exercise your rights as a data subject, please contact datenschutz@tugraz.at. All further information about data protection at TU Graz can be found at datenschutz.tugraz.at.

It is also possible to lodge an appeal with the Austrian Data Protection Authority.

8. Data Protection Officer

The TU Graz data protection officer is x-tention Informationstechnologie GmbH, Römerstraße 80A, 4600 Wels.