UTSP Trust Service PKI

Relying Party Agreement

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Capitalised terms that are not defined in this Relying Party Agreement are defined in the (UTSP) Certificate Policy - Definitions document at https://utsp.trustis.com/policy

1. Important Notice

This Relying Party Agreement applies to and must be accepted by any party or individual that is/are Relying upon a Certificate or the information embedded in a Certificate or is/are accessing or using Certificate Status Information **("You").** This communication does not substitute or replace the UTSP Certificate Policy under which Certificates issued by the Issuing Authority are issued. You must agree to the terms of the Certificate Policy before you rely on a Certificate or otherwise access or use Certificate Status Information.

You demonstrate your knowledge and acceptance of the Certificate Policy and this Relying Party Agreement by submitting a query to search for or to verify the status of a Certificate or by otherwise relying on or using any information or services provided by the UTSP Issuing Authority or Certificate Status Information.

If You do not accept the Agreement, do not submit a query or rely on the Certificate. In this case, You are advised to postpone any transaction which places reliance on a Certificate until you have satisfied yourself by other means of the trustworthiness of the Certificate and of the measures to be taken to support Your reliance on the Certificate.

2. Introduction

This Relying Party Agreement does the following:

- Describes the actions that the UTSP Validation Authority will take to enable You to make an informed decision as to whether You wish to rely on a Certificate (including the information embedded in a Certificate)
- Contains procedures that You must follow before checking, relying on, or otherwise using a Certificate or information embedded in a Certificate.

This Relying Party Agreement applies when You:

- Submit a query in search of a Certificate
- Verify a Digital Signature created with a Private Key corresponding to a Public Key contained in a Certificate
- Rely on a Certificate or on the information contained within a Certificate in support of a transaction.
- Otherwise rely on or use any information or services provided by the UTSP Issuing Authority or UTSP Validation Authority.

3. Governing Certificate Policy

The UTSP Issuing Authority publishes a Certificate Policy which governs the issuance, usage and management of Certificates. Subject to the terms of the Certificate Policy, the UTSP Validation Authority represents that the information contained in a Certificate has been validated in accordance with the provisions of the Certificate Policy.

If there are any changes to the Certificate Policy the UTSP Issuing Authority will issue such changes in accordance with the Certificate Policy's provisions regarding change control and notification.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this Relying Party Agreement and to the extent permitted by English Law, the UTSP Validation Authority makes no representations whatsoever nor holds out any warranty in respect of Certificates or Certificate Status Information other than those expressly set out in the Certificate Policy.

4. Your Obligations

You hereby accept and warrant that Your use of Certificate Status Information and Your reliance on or use of any Certificate or the information embedded in it will be governed by the Certificate Policy.

The Certificate Policy defines specific obligations that You must meet before Relying on a Certificate or any information embedded in the Certificate, If you rely on or use a Certificate (including the information embedded in the Certificate) without first meeting these obligations, Your reliance on or use of that Certificate or the information will be inconsistent with this Agreement and will be considered unreasonable and in derogation of Your duty of care under the laws of England and Wales.

Policy provisions defining terms of use of and reliance on Certificates, together with Certificate Status Information are provided by the Issuing Authority. Relying Parties must therefore accept that sufficient access to information is provided to ensure that You can make an informed decision as to the extent to which You will choose to rely upon or use a Certificate or the information embedded in it. You further accept that You are responsible for deciding whether to rely on a Certificate or information embedded in it.

5. Important Subscriber Obligations of which you should be aware

Certificate Subscribers are obliged to inform the Issuing Authority or its nominated representative, should any passwords, pass-phrases, PINs, private keys or other personal secrets used in obtaining authenticated access to PKI facilities be compromised or be suspected of being compromised.

On receipt of such a notice, the Issuing Authority will Revoke the compromised Certificate and publish notice of such Revocation for the benefit of Relying Parties. However, You acknowledge the possibility of theft or other form of compromise of a Private Key corresponding to a Public Key contained in a Certificate which may not be detected by the Certificate Subscriber, and of the possibility of use of a stolen or compromised Key to authenticate a person or to forge a Digital Signature to a document.

6. Liability

UTSP's liability under or in connection with this Relying Party Agreement shall not exceed a maximum amount of £5,000,000 for each and every claim, other than for claims in respect of fraud, death or personal injury, in respect of which this limitation shall not apply.

7. General

Each point of this Relying Party Agreement is separate and the invalidity or unenforceability of any point for any reason will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other point.

This Relying Party Agreement is published by the UTSP Issuing Authority. Any claims, complaints, disputes or proceedings in connection with the provision of Certificates, the Repository or any other

digital certification service by the Issuing Authority, Validation Authority or with this Relying Party Agreement must be pursued according to the provisions of the Certificate Policy.

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