

Verification of Declaration of Adherence

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1 Verification against v2.11 of the EU Cloud CoC

This Declaration of Adherence was against the *European Data Protection Code of Conduct for Cloud Service Providers* (**'EU Cloud CoC'**)¹ in its version 2.11 (**'v2.11'**)² as of December 2020.

Originally being drafted by the Cloud Select Industry Group³ (**'C-SIG'**) the EU Cloud CoC – at that time being called C-SIG Code of Conduct on data protection for Cloud Service Providers – was developed against Directive 95/46/EC⁴ and incorporates feedback by the European Commission as well as Working Party 29. Following an extensive revision of earlier versions of Code and further developing the substance of the Code (v2.11) and its provisions has been aligned to the European General Data Protection Regulation (**'GDPR'**)⁵.

2 List of declared services

2.1 Oracle Corporation (Oracle Cloud Infrastructure)⁶

Oracle Cloud Infrastructure is a set of complementary cloud services that enables customers to build and run a wide range of applications and services in a highly available hosted environment. Oracle Cloud Infrastructure offers high-performance compute capabilities (as physical hardware or virtual instances) and storage capacity in a flexible overlay virtual network that is securely accessible from customers' on-premise networks.⁷

The Oracle Cloud Infrastructure Service Family as in scope of this declaration of adherence consists of the following Cloud Services:

- Analytics Cloud
- Console Announcements
- API Gateway
- Application Performance Monitoring
- Archive Storage
- Audit
- Autonomous Database on Shared Exadata Infrastructure
- Autonomous Database on Dedicated Exadata Infrastructure
- Autonomous Database on Exadata Cloud@Customer

¹ <https://eucoc.cloud>

² <https://eucoc.cloud/get-the-code>

³ <https://ec.europa.eu/digital-single-market/en/cloud-select-industry-group-code-conduct>

⁴ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:31995L0046>

⁵ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32016R0679>

⁶ <https://www.oracle.com/cloud/>

⁷ **NOTE:** The content for the service description has been provided by the CSP and does not reflect any opinion of or assessment by the Monitoring Body.

- Bare Metal and Virtual Machine Database Systems
- Bastion
- Block Volume
- Blockchain Platform
- Classic Migration
- Cloud Advisor
- Cloud Guard
- Cloud Shell
- Compute
- Container Engine for Kubernetes
- Content Management
- Data Catalog
- Data Flow
- Data Integration
- Data Safe
- Data Science
- Data Transfer
- Exadata Database Service on Cloud@Customer
- Exadata Database Service on Dedicated Infrastructure
- FastConnect
- File Storage
- Functions
- Fusion Analytics Warehouse
- GoldenGate
- Health Checks
- Identity and Access Management
- Integration
- Java Management
- Load Balancing
- Logging
- Logging Analytics
- Management Agent
- Marketplace
- Monitoring
- MySQL Database
- Network Load Balancer
- Networking
- Notifications
- Object Storage
- Operations Insights
- OS Management
- Registry (also known as Container Registry)
- Resource Manager
- Search
- Security Zones
- Service Connector Hub
- Streaming
- Database Management
- Database Migration
- DDoS Protection
- Anomaly Detection
- Digital Assistant
- Email Delivery
- Events
- Tagging
- Vault
- VMware Solution
- Site-to-Site VPN
- Vulnerability Scanning
- Web Application Firewall (WAF)
- Domain Name System (DNS)

3 Verification Process - Background

V2.11 of the EU Cloud CoC has been developed against GDPR and hence provides mechanisms as required by Articles 40 and 41 GDPR⁸.

3.1 Approval of the Code and Accreditation of the Monitoring Body

The services concerned passed the verification process by the Monitoring Body of the EU Cloud CoC, i.e., SCOPE Europe sprl/bvba⁹.

The Code has been officially approved May 2021¹⁰. SCOPE Europe has been officially accredited as Monitoring Body May 2021¹¹. The robust and complex procedures and mechanisms can be reviewed by any third party in detail at the website of the EU Cloud CoC alongside a short summary thereof.¹²

3.2 Principles of the Verification Process

Notwithstanding the powers of and requirements set-out by the supervisory authority pursuant Article 41 GDPR, the Monitoring Body will assess whether a Cloud Service, that has been declared adherent to the Code, is compliant with the requirements of the Code - especially as laid down in the Controls Catalogue. Unless otherwise provided by the Code, the Monitoring Body's assessment process will be based on an evidence-based conformity assessment, based on interviews and document reviews; pro-actively performed by the Monitoring Body.

To the extent the Monitoring Body is not satisfied with the evidence provided by a CSP with regards to the Cloud Service to be declared adherent to the Code, the Monitoring Body will request additional information. Where the information provided by the CSP appears to be inconsistent or false, the Monitoring Body will - as necessary - request substantiation by independent reports.

3.3 Multiple Safeguards of Compliance

Compliance of adherent services is safeguarded by the interaction of several mechanisms, i.e., continuous, rigorous, and independent monitoring, an independent complaints' handling process, and finally any CSP declaring services adherent is subject to substantial remedies and penalties in case of any infringement.

⁸ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:32016R0679>

⁹ <https://scope-europe.eu>

¹⁰ <https://www.gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit.be/publications/decision-n05-2021-of-20-may-2021.pdf>

¹¹ <https://www.gegevensbeschermingsautoriteit.be/publications/decision-n-06-2021-of-20-may-2021.pdf>

¹² <https://euococ.cloud/en/public-register/assessment-procedure/>

3.4 Process in Detail

It is expected that, prior to any assessment of the Monitoring Body, each CSP assesses its compliance internally. When declaring its service(s) adherent to the EU Cloud CoC, each CSP must elaborate its compliance with each of the Controls as provided by the Code considering the Control Guidance, as provided by the Control's Catalogue, to the Monitoring Body.

The CSP may do so either by referencing existing third-party audits or certifications and their respective reports or by free text. Additionally, the CSP will have to provide a general overview on the functionalities, technical and organizational and contractual frameworks of the service(s) declared adherent.

With regards to internationally recognized standards, the Monitoring Body will consider the mapping as provided by the Controls Catalogue. However, the Monitoring Body will verify whether (a) any third-party certification or audit provided by the CSP applies to the Cloud Service concerned, (b) such third party certification or audit provided by the CSP is valid, (c) such third-party certification or audit has assessed and sufficiently reported compliance with the mapped controls of the third-party certification or audit concerned. Provided that the aforementioned criteria are met, the Monitoring Body may consider such third-party certifications or audits as sufficient evidence for the compliance with the Code.

Within Initial Assessments, the Monitoring Body selects an appropriate share of Controls that will undergo in-depth scrutiny, e.g., by sample-taking and request for further, detailed information including potentially confidential information. Within any other Recurring Assessment, the Monitoring Body will select an appropriate share of Controls provided that over a due period every Control will be subject to scrutiny by the Monitoring Body. Where applicable, aspects of current attention at the time of assessment shall be covered, too, e.g., where such aspects were indicated in media reports, publications or actions of supervisory authorities.

If the responses of the CSP satisfy the Monitoring Body, especially if responses are consistent and of appropriate quality and level of detail, reflecting the requirements of the Controls and indications for appropriate implementation by the Control Guidance, then the Monitoring Body verifies the service(s) declared adhered as compliant and thereupon makes them subject to continuous monitoring.

3.4.1 Levels of Compliance

V2.11 of the Code provides three different levels of Compliance. The different levels of compliance relate only to the levels of evidence that are submitted to the Monitoring Body. There is however no

difference in terms of which parts of the Code are covered since adherent Cloud Services have to comply with all provisions of the Code and their respective Controls.

3.4.1.1 First Level of Compliance

The CSP has performed an internal review and documented its implemented measures proving compliance with the requirements of the Code with regard to the declared Cloud Service and confirms that the Cloud Service fully complies with the requirements set out in this Code and further specified in the Controls Catalogue. The Monitoring Body verifies that the Cloud Service complies with the Code by information originating from the CSP.

3.4.1.2 Second Level of Compliance

Additional to the “First Level of Compliance”, Compliance with the Code is partially supported by independent third-party certificates and audits, which the CSP has undergone with specific relevance to the Cloud Service declared adherent and which were based upon internationally recognised standards procedures. Any such third-party certificates and audits that covered controls similar to this Code, but not less protective, are considered in the verification process of the Monitoring Body. Each third-party certificates and audits that were considered in the verification process by the Monitoring Body shall be referred in the Monitoring Body’s report of verification, provided that the findings of such certificates were sufficiently and convincingly reported and documented towards the Monitoring Body and only to the extent such certificates and audits are in line with the Code. The CSP must notify the Monitoring Body if there are any changes to the provided certificates or audits.

The Controls Catalogue may give guidance on third-party certificates and audits that are equivalent to certain Controls in terms of providing evidence of complying with the Code.

However, to those Controls that the CSP has not provided any equivalent third-party certificate or audit, the Monitoring Body verifies that the Cloud Service complies with the Code by information originating from the CSP.

The Monitoring Body may refuse application of Second Level of Compliance if third party certificates and audit reports, that are recognized by the Monitoring Body in the verification process concerned, are not covering an adequate share of Controls of this Code; such adequate share shall be subject to the discretion of the Monitoring Body, considering e.g., the share related to the overall amount of Controls of the Code or whether a full Section or topic is being covered.

3.4.1.3 Third Level of Compliance

Identical to the “Second Level of Compliance” but Compliance is fully supported by independent third-party certificates and audits, which the CSP has undergone with regard to the Cloud Service declared adherent and which were based upon internationally recognized standards.

To the extent a CSP refers to individual reports, such as ISAE-3000 reports, the CSP shall ensure that such reports provide sufficient and assessable information and details on the actual measures implemented by the CSP regarding the Cloud Service concerned. The Monitoring Body shall, if considered necessary, in consultation with the Steering Board, define further requirements on such individual reports, such as accreditation and training for auditors against the provisions and requirements of this Code.

3.4.2 Final decision on the applicable Level of Compliance

When declaring its Cloud Service adherent, the CSP indicates the Level of Compliance it is seeking to achieve. Any final decision, whether a CSP is meeting the requirements of a specific Level of Compliance is up to the sole discretion of the Monitoring Body.

3.5 Transparency about adherence

Each service adherent to the EU Cloud CoC must transparently communicate its adherence by both using the appropriate Compliance Mark¹³ and refer to the Public Register of the EU Cloud CoC¹⁴ to enable Customers to verify the validity of adherence.

4 Assessment of declared services by Oracle (see 2.)

4.1 Fact Finding

Following the declaration of adherence of Oracle Corporation (Oracle Cloud Infrastructure) (“**Oracle**”), the Monitoring Body provided Oracle with a template, requesting Oracle to detail its compliance with each of the Controls of the EU Cloud CoC. Additionally, the Monitoring Body requested an overview and reasoned response on the actual structure of the services declared adherent and why declared services are to be considered a “service family”. A service family requires that all services rely on the same core infrastructure, with regard to hardware and software, and are embedded in the same contractual framework.

¹³ <https://eucoc.cloud/en/public-register/levels-of-compliance/>

¹⁴ <https://eucoc.cloud/en/public-register/>

4.2 Selection of Controls for in-depth assessment

Following the provisions of the Code and the Assessment Procedure applicable to the EU Cloud CoC¹⁵, the Monitoring Body analysed the responses and information provided by Oracle.

Oracle Cloud Infrastructure declared services have been externally certified and audited e.g., Oracle Cloud Infrastructure holds current SOC 2 report for these services. Additionally, Oracle maintains active ISO-27001, 27017, 27018 and 27701 certifications for these services.

The declaration of adherence referred to these reports and certifications within the responses to Section 6 of the Code (IT-Security). As provided by the Code, the Monitoring Body may consider third party certifications and audits when making its assessment. Accordingly, the Monitoring Body did verify the certification and references.

4.3 Examined Controls and related findings by the Monitoring Body

4.3.1 Examined Controls

The Monitoring Body reviewed the initial submission of Oracle which outlined how all the requirements of the Code were met by Oracle implemented measures. In line with the Monitoring Body's process outlined in Section 3.4, the Monitoring Body selected a subset of controls from the Code for in-depth scrutiny. In-depth scrutiny reflects sample taking and follow-up questions, whilst the latter may address requests for clarifications or more detailed information. The controls selected for this level of review were: 5.1.D, 5.3.B, 5.3.D, 5.3.G, 5.4.A, 5.4.D, 5.4.E, 5.5.D, 5.5.E, 5.6.A, 5.7.B, 5.7.E, 5.7.F, 5.8.A, 5.8.B, 5.11.B, 5.11.C, 5.12.D, 5.12.E, 5.12.F, 5.14.C, 5.14.D, 5.14.E and 6.2.P.

4.3.2 Findings by the Monitoring Body

During the process of verification, Oracle gave the impression of having prepared the declaration of adherence well and thoroughly. Responses being provided were detailed and never created any impression of intentional non-transparency. Requests for clarification or additional, supporting information and / or evidence were promptly dealt with.

The Monitoring Body verified that declared Cloud Services qualify both as Cloud Service under the Code and as a Cloud Service Family. In this respect, the Monitoring Body aligned closely with Oracle to understand both their internal and external references, as well as their listed Cloud Services under

¹⁵ <https://eucoc.cloud/en/about/about-eu-cloud-coc/applicable-procedures/>

this declaration of adherence. The Monitoring Body concluded that the listed Cloud Services qualify both as Cloud Services and Cloud Service Family under the Code.

Furthermore, procedures related to Customer's Audit Right were assessed, particularly focussing on potential prohibitive and excessive fees. It was determined that implemented measures allow Customers for qualified performance of their Audit Right as laid out by the Code. The Monitoring Body also ensured that, in addition to the Audit Right, Oracle provides Customers with the possibility to request additional evidence of compliance.

The Monitoring Body paid attention to the handling of third-country transfers. Oracle utilizes Binding Corporate Rules as its default transfer mechanism as permitted by chapter V of the GDPR. Upon request, Oracle may agree to execute the new EU Standard Data Protection Clauses with Customers.

In the context of subprocessing, the Monitoring Body analysed how Oracle conducts its due diligence to ensure that its subprocessors apply no less protective measures as provided by Oracle. Oracle indicated that the latter is explicitly safeguarded by the Oracle Supplier Data Processing Agreement which ensures that the same level of protection provided by Oracle is also provided by the whole subprocessor chain.

5 Conclusion

The information provided by Oracle was consistent. Where necessary Oracle gave additional information or clarified their given information appropriately.

The Monitoring Body therefore verifies the services as compliant with the EU Cloud CoC based on the performed assessment as prescribed in 1. The services will be listed in the Public Register of the EU Cloud CoC¹⁶ alongside this report.

In accordance with sections 3.4.1.2 and 3.4.2 and given the type of information provided by Oracle to support the compliance of its service, the Monitoring Body grants Oracle with a Second Level of Compliance.

6 Validity

This verification is valid for one year. The full report consists of 11 pages in total, whereof this is the last page closing with the Verification-ID. Please refer to the table of contents at the top of this report

¹⁶ <https://eucoc.cloud/en/public-register/>

to verify, that the copy you are reading is complete, if you have not received the copy of this report via the Public Register of the EU Cloud CoC¹⁷.

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