

UIAA STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE SOP-0212

COPYRIGHT REGULATIONS

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1. INTRODUCTION / PURPOSE

The purpose of this document is to define the UIAA's copyright principles, requirements, and procedures to ensure the proper protection, use, and management of intellectual property across all UIAA activities and materials.

2. POLICY

All copyrights, i.e. all moral rights and all rights of use, exploitation and commercialisation of copyrightable results/works or designs, such as text, graphics, drawings, plans, photos, drafts, software or interpretations created within the scope of a working or expert group of the UIAA, within the scope of a commission from the UIAA or in any other case of involvement by the UIAA or participation of one or more legal or natural persons, are transferred to the UIAA without restriction in terms of location, time and content, namely the right of use, in particular the right of publication, the right of processing, the right of modification and the right of exploitation.

Likewise, the exercise of all moral rights (in particular the right to be named) and performers' rights to the above-described results/works or drafts created by them in the course of their work or to which they contribute is waived without compensation, for example:

- The right of recognition (Art. 9 para. 1 URG*)
- The right to determine the author's designation (Art. 9 para. 2 URG*)
- The right of publication (Art. 9 para. 2 URG*)
- The rights to the integrity of the work (Art. 11 para. 1 URG*)
- Protection against distortion (Art. 11(2) URG*)
- The right of access and exhibition (Art. 14 URG*)
- Protection against destruction (Art. 15 URG*)
- The rights under Art. 33a URG*

**URG = Swiss Copyright Act (CopA), Urheberrechtsgesetz (URG) in German, Loi sur le droit d'auteur (LDA) in French.*

The UIAA is and will be – unless otherwise specified in writing in individual cases – named as the exclusive copyright holder for all digitally/online and physically published works. This also includes all intermediate steps and interim results. The contributions of all those involved in the creation process will be included anonymously in the documentation and guidelines of the standards. The names of those involved will not be mentioned.

All those who contribute to the development of a result/work or draft for the UIAA do so voluntarily and without remuneration.

The UIAA is entitled to all uses, including any as yet unknown future uses.

All those involved in the development of a result/work or draft for the UIAA are obliged to treat all confidential information received in this context as confidential, even without an explicit "confidential" note.

Anyone involved in the development of a result/work or design for the UIAA is prohibited from communicating with external parties on behalf of the UIAA.

Anyone involved in the development of a result/work or design for the UIAA is prohibited from using their position for their own personal or professional activities.

All those involved in the development of a result/work or draft for the UIAA are obliged to report all business relationships with manufacturers, laboratories or shops relating to this development to the Commission President for his approval.

Any deviation from these rules requires the written consent of the relevant UIAA Commissions and/or self-governed bodies concerned (e.g. scientific publication in an external peer-reviewed journal, in which case the rights go to the journal).

Participation in the development of a result/work or draft for the UIAA within the working or expert group, or participation in physical/digital meetings, is understood as acceptance of these regulations, which are publicly available on the website. Any rejection of these regulations must be communicated to the UIAA in writing (including by email) within three working days of the start of work/participation in a UIAA project. If no such notification is received, the above regulations shall be deemed to have been accepted.

HISTORY

Version number	Valid from (date)	Description, comment
V01	1 September 2026	First version of Copyright Regulations
V01		Approved by the MB on 28 August 2026