Personal data are processed by the European Investment Fund ("EIF" or "Controller") in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, as such regulation may be amended from time to time.

1. **Legal Basis**

The EIF-NPI Equity Platform ("Platform") is a collaborative initiative launched by the EIF, which promotes knowledge sharing and best practices between the EIF and national promotional institutions (NPIs) or banks (NPBs) across EU Member States. Its goal is to enhance access to funding for SMEs and midcaps, support the defragmentation of equity markets, and match national, EU and private sources of funding. The legal basis for this processing is the consent expressed by the Data Subjects.

2. **Data Subjects**

Data subjects are professionals and other individuals acting as contact persons of NPIs and NPBs, the European Commission, and any other relevant stakeholders.

3. **Purpose**

The personal data referred to herein are collected for knowledge sharing and information exchange purposes.

4. **Data Categories**

The referred personal data comprise information on the details of the contact persons.

5. **Data Recipients**

The aforementioned personal data shall be processed by the Secretariat and may be transferred to other NPIs and NPBs joining the Platform acting as independent data controllers.

6. **Data Retention Period**

Data Subjects’ personal data will be retained up to ten (10) years after the termination of each processing operation.

7. **Rights of Data Subject**

- Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the controller confirmation as to whether or not their personal data concerning are being processed, and, where that is the case, access their personal data by contacting the Controller (info@eif.org) or through the EIF DPO (dpo@eif.org) and they will receive a response without undue delay (right of access);
- Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the controller without undue delay the rectification of any inaccurate personal data concerning them (right to rectification). EIF may restrict the application of their right of access and rectification where such restriction may constitute a necessary measure to safeguard, including but not limited to:
  - the prevention, investigation, detection and prosecution of criminal offences
  - the protection of the data subject or of the rights and freedoms of others
- Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the controller the erasure of their personal data when they are no longer necessary in relation to the purposes for which they were collected (right to erasure);
- Data Subjects have the right to obtain from the controller restriction of processing when (i) they contest the accuracy of their personal data, (ii) the processing is unlawful, (iii) the controller no longer needs the personal data for the purposes of the processing or (iv) they have objected to processing, pending the verification whether the legitimate grounds of the controller override theirs (right to restriction of processing);
Data Subjects have the **right to object**, on grounds relating to their particular situation, when the processing of personal data is unlawful;

Data Subjects have the right to receive from the controller their personal data in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format and transmit those data to another controller without hindrance from the controller to which the personal data have been provided (**right to data portability**);

Data Subjects have the right to withdraw their consent at any time (**right to withdraw consent**);

Data Subjects may lodge a complaint to the European Data Protection Supervisor (**www.edps.europa.eu**) at any time (**right to lodge a complaint**).