

【Tentative translation】

## National Institute of Informatics Academic Content Service Usage Regulations

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### Article 1 (Objective)

These Regulations apply to the Academic Content Services (meaning each of the services specified in Article 3, Clause 1; hereinafter referred to as the "Services") provided by the Inter-University Research Institute Corporation Research Organization of Information and Systems (hereinafter referred to as the "Research Organization of Information and Systems"). The purpose of this document is to set forth the necessary matters applicable between the Research Organization of Information and Systems and the users of the Service (hereinafter referred to as the "User").

This service is provided by the National Institute of Informatics (hereinafter referred to as the "Institute"), a research organization of the Research Organization of Information and Systems. This service is planned, operated, and managed in general by the Institute, so the Institute is used as the main expression in these rules.

### Article 2 (Compliance with Regulations)

The User must agree to these Regulations in order to be able to use it, and each User shall be deemed to have so agreed at the time that User commences usage of the Service.

### Article 3 (Definitions)

1. These Regulations shall apply uniformly to the services listed in Attached Table 1 (if the name or content of the services is changed for any reason, the services after the change shall be included).
2. Matters such as the scope of information (hereinafter referred to as the "Academic

Information”) provided by the Service and the method of using it shall be determined at the judgment of the Institute.

3. Details regarding the use of CiNii Research in Attached Table 1 are stipulated in the National Institute of Informatics CiNii Research Usage Detailed Regulations (hereinafter referred to as "CiNii Research Usage Detailed Regulations").

#### Article 4 (Purpose of using the Service)

The Service shall be used by the User wishing to use it for their own academic research, and the User agrees not to use it for any other purpose.

#### Article 5 (Copyright of academic information, etc.)

1. The copyright of the Academic Information is held by each Academic Information provider, and the copyright of databases related to Academic Information, screen display indexes and links, etc. is held by the Institute or a person designated by the Institute.

2. The Users may search, browse, and download the Academic Information within the scope of the purposes of use specified in the preceding article. However, if the permission of the copyright or other right holder has not been obtained for such use, the following acts shall not be performed.

(i) Copying, modifying, translating and editing.

(ii) Regardless of whether this service is paid or free of charge, and regardless of the recording format of the media, the copy obtained based on the proviso of the previous issue is provided, distributed, lent, transferred and publicly transmitted to others. (Including the act of placing it in a state where automatic public transmission is possible.)

(iii) To store on a server etc. that can be shared by others and use it even if it is a copy downloaded based on the proviso of Paragraph 1.

(iv) To delete or modify Indications of authors' and other names, trademarks, service marks etc. displayed by the providers of academic information.

(v) In addition to the acts prescribed in item 4 above, acts that infringe the copyright of academic information.

#### Article 6 (Matters to be complied with by the User)

When using the Service, the User must comply with the matters described in each of the following items.

(i) The User must not infringe the property rights, privacy, or other rights of other persons.

(ii) The User must not abuse or defame other persons or commit any act that subjects other persons to inconvenience, disadvantage, etc.

(iii) The User must not commit any act that violates public order or morals or laws or regulations, such as by disseminating obscenities or falsehoods.

(iv) The User must not commit any act that gains improper access, such as through improper use of user IDs or passwords of other persons.

(v) The user must not reverse engineer, disassemble, decompile or extract source code for this service.

(vi) The User must not perform automated large-volume searches or downloads. However, in accordance with National Institute of Informatics Academic Content Service Web API Usage Detailed Regulations, searches and downloads performed within the scope permitted by these detailed Regulations are not limited to this.

(vii) The User must not act in any way that may impair the operation of the Service.

(viii) In addition to the acts prescribed in item 7 above, the user must not perform any acts that the institute deems inappropriate.

#### Article 7 (Suspension of usage)

If a User violates these Regulations, the Institute may suspend that User's usage and take necessary measures. This shall also apply in cases where there is sufficient cause to suspect a violation.

#### Article 8 (Handling of personal information)

1. The Institute shall appropriately manage information that enables Users to be identified individually (hereinafter referred to as "Personal Information"), and shall take measures to prevent its improper use, leakage, etc.

2. The Institute may use Personal Information to the extent necessary in the following cases. The same shall apply to provision to third parties.

(i) When necessary for the User's usage application and approval, etc., therefor.

(ii) When necessary to notify or contact the User for such purposes as the invoicing of usage charges.

(iii) When necessary in order to request compliance or performance under these Regulations.

(iv) When the User himself or herself has given consent therefor.

(v) When the provision of the information is requested by a court, public prosecutor's office, police department, or other public institution based on laws and regulations, or when the provision of the information is necessary for similar public interests.

3. The period of retention of Personal Information shall in principle be one year after

termination of use of the Service by the User (including expiration of the period of usage and cancellation of usage authorization), and Personal Information shall be disposed of when one year has elapsed.

4. In addition to the provisions of the preceding three clauses, other matters necessary with regard to the handling of Personal Information shall be in accordance with the Regulations for Protection of Personal Information of the Research Organization of Information and Systems.

#### Article 9 (Responsibilities of the User)

1. If a User violates these Regulations and thereby hinders the operation of the Service or causes the Institute to incur loss or damage, the Institute may invoice the said User for compensation therefor.

2. If a dispute arises between a User and a third party (including disputes regarding copyright of academic information and disputes with other interested parties) through the use of the Service, the User himself or herself shall be responsible for resolving it and shall not impute any responsibility whatsoever to the Institute.

#### Article 10 (Institute's exemption from liability)

1. The Institute shall accept no responsibility whatsoever with regard to the veracity, accuracy, utility, etc., of academic information provided by the Service.

2. The Institute may suspend the Service for maintenance or repair or in other cases where necessary.

3. The Institute shall accept no responsibility whatsoever with regard to delay, interruption, or suspension of provision of the Service or for disputes, damage, etc., that involve the User as a result of use of the Service.

#### Article 11 (Revisions, etc.)

1. The Institute may revise these Regulations as required, notifying Users by posting a notification on the Service website or by other means judged appropriate by the Institute. In such cases, unless otherwise stated explicitly, the revised Regulations will take effect from the time of posting or other notification.

2. In order to facilitate implementation of the Service or to provide detail for the application of these Regulations, the Institute may, when necessary, lay down detailed Regulations for usage and/or usage guidelines, etc. Such detailed Regulations and guidelines shall form an integral part of these Regulations.

Article 12 (Governing law, jurisdiction, etc.)

1. This regulation is governed by Japanese law and is interpreted and enforced by that law. This Regulation shall be effective only in Japanese and shall be a translation in other languages and shall not have any legal effect or influence.
2. The Tokyo District Court shall be the exclusive agreement jurisdictional court of the first instance for proceedings relating to these Regulations.

Article 13 (Miscellaneous provisions)

1. In addition to the matters provided for in these Regulations, any others necessary for implementation of these Regulations will be stipulated separately.

Supplementary provision

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Attached Table 1 (Article 3 relations)

Service	Service overview
CiNii Research	Provides information on articles published in academic journals and published academic information
CiNii Books (Book Information by NII)	Provides catalog information of holdings in university libraries, etc.
CiNii dissertations (Doctoral dissertation Information by NII)	Provides doctoral dissertation information in Japan and the link to full texts of doctoral dissertations.

KAKEN (Database of Grants-in-Aid for Scientific Research)	Provides information on the results of research supported by the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science & Technology in Japan and Japan Society for the Promotion of Science grants-in-aid for scientific research.
IRDB (Institutional Repositories DataBase)	Provides academic information accumulated in Institutional Repositories DataBase.
NII-REO (NII Repository of Electronic Journal and Online Publications)	Provides electronic journal and online publications in local hosting environments.