LICENSING AND IMAGE/DATA USE POLICY

Verein Legacy Digitalis

1. Purpose

This policy establishes the principles governing the use, publication, licensing and protection of research materials, images, digital reconstructions and associated data produced or managed by Verein Legacy Digitalis.

Its purpose is to support scientific research, cultural preservation and public access while respecting intellectual property rights, source restrictions and the interests of contributors and collaborating institutions.

2. Research Materials and Documentation

The Association develops and maintains research documentation, historical source collections, reconstruction dossiers and digital research models.

Research materials are managed in accordance with applicable copyright law, contractual agreements and the rights of their respective creators and owners.

Historical facts, scientific findings and research methods are distinguished from the protected expression of those findings.

3. Images and Digital Reconstructions

Images, visualisations and digital reconstructions published by the Association may incorporate historical sources, interpretative elements and original digital production.

The Association seeks to ensure that published materials are appropriately attributed and that their use complies with applicable rights and permissions.

Digital reconstructions are presented as documented interpretations of historical objects. Their publication does not imply ownership of the historical originals or unrestricted rights to the underlying source materials.

4. Licensing and Permitted Use

The Association supports the responsible use of its research outputs for scientific, educational and cultural purposes.

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5. Third-Party Materials

Historical photographs, archival documents, illustrations and other third-party materials remain subject to the rights and conditions established by their respective rights holders or institutions.

The Association respects applicable attribution requirements, reproduction restrictions and licence conditions.

Permission granted by the Association does not extend to third-party materials for which it does not hold the necessary rights.

6. Research Data and Access

The Association promotes responsible research documentation and the preservation of digital research records.

Access to research data, technical models and supporting documentation may be provided according to the purpose of the request, applicable rights and available resources.

The Association is not required to disclose confidential research materials, restricted archival sources, unpublished technical files or information protected by law or contractual obligations.

Personal data is processed in accordance with applicable data protection legislation and the Association's relevant privacy information.

7. Attribution and Responsible Use

Users of authorised research materials are expected to acknowledge the Association, relevant researchers, creators and source institutions in accordance with the applicable licence or permission.

Research findings and digital reconstructions should be represented accurately, with appropriate distinction between documented historical evidence and interpretative reconstruction.

The Association encourages responsible scholarly reference and discourages misleading attribution or presentation of reconstructed elements as historically verified facts.

8. Responsibility and Review

The Board oversees the implementation of this policy and the responsible management of the Association's research and intellectual property rights.

Specific permissions and licensing arrangements may be established separately where appropriate.

This policy may be reviewed and updated in accordance with the development of the Association's activities.

Approved by the Board of Verein Legacy Digitalis

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