CUA PRIVACY POLICY

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**Collection and use of information:** Types of information collected when you visit CUA.org:

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2. **Non-personal information or aggregate information:** This is information concerning the cua.org usage habits, patterns and/or demographic classification of connection speed, internet service provider (ISP) and IP (Internet Protocol) address. This information is collected when users visit the site.

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The CUA uses data collected to improve its own web content; to identify popular areas of the website; to respond to user and member needs, interests and preferences and to develop new products and services.

3. **Personally Identifiable Information:** The CUA does not collect personal data (PD) or personally identifiable information (PII) about you unless you choose to provide it, e.g.: social insurance number (SIN), driver's license number, bank account number and passport number. You are not required to submit any PII in order to access information in the public areas of our website. To gain access to membership and conference registration and other personalized features on the CUA website, users...
are asked to register and provide limited personal information. This information is submitted voluntarily. If users do not wish to provide PII, they are not obliged to do so.

4. Consent to Collection, Use and Disclosure of Personal Information: By submitting personal information to the CUA, you agree that we may collect, use, and disclose such personal information in accordance with this privacy policy, business interests and as permitted or required by law. Subject to legal and contractual requirements, you may refuse or withdraw your consent to certain of the identified purposes at any time by contacting us.

5. Choices available to the user:

The CUA provides users with the following choices regarding the use of collected information:

- Users may choose not to provide any personal information.
- Users can choose to set the browser not to accept cookies or to receive a warning when a cookie is being placed on their computer. If the user chooses not to accept cookies, the ability to navigate the web site may be hindered.

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Security:

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