Privacy Policy

This Privacy Policy establishes the data protection rules and practices for the website of the Digital Learning Calculator Tool (hereinafter, the "Website") of the Inter-American Development Bank (hereinafter, "IDB" or "we"). As outlined in the Terms and Conditions of the Digital Learning Calculator Tool, into which this Privacy Policy is incorporated by reference, the IDB is an international organization established by its member countries through the Agreement Establishing the Inter-American Development Bank. Certain features or functions of the Website may now or in the future require the creation of a user ID and the acceptance of separate or additional terms of use, which may also include supplemental privacy policies.

By using the Website, you agree to the terms of this Privacy Policy, including any future modifications. Your use of the Website therefore constitutes your consent to the collection, use, and disclosure of the personal information we gather about you through the Website, as described below. Please make sure to read this Privacy Policy in its entirety before using the Website. As the Website evolves and expands, this Privacy Policy may be revised, so we encourage you to review the most current version periodically.

Scope and Definitions

This Privacy Policy outlines the rules and practices regarding information related to users who visit the Website, including how we collect, use, share, and store such information. While this Policy applies specifically to information obtained through the Website, it is consistent with our overall standards and practices for handling personal information received by the IDB, whether in electronic, written, or verbal form.

For the purposes of this Policy, the following terms are specifically defined:

Personally Identifiable Information (PII)

PII refers to information that pertains to or is associated with a specific individual and can be linked to (or used to identify) that individual.

Anonymous Information

Additional, demographic, or any other information that does not reveal the specific identity of an individual.

IP Address

The Internet Protocol (IP) address of the computer used by an individual to access the Website (and the Internet more broadly).

Information Collection through the Website

Information Provided by the User

We may collect your IP address if you send us an email through the "Contact Us" page on the Website or post information in shared areas of the Website. If we offer features such as blogs that allow the posting of comments or other similar content that can reasonably be expected to appear on the Website, and if these tools are not governed by separate terms and conditions or privacy policies, you acknowledge and agree that any personally identifiable information (PII) you include in your comments or content may become publicly accessible. We are not able to control how others may use such PII.

Information Collected Automatically

When you visit the Website, certain anonymous information related to your visit is collected automatically. The IDB's web servers generate anonymous logs during user visits to the Website. This may include the use of "cookies," "clear GIFs" (also known as "web beacons" or "pixel tags"), or similar technologies to gather information about you and your use of the Website.

"Cookies" are small data files sent to your browser or linked software from a web server and stored on your computer or device. Cookies often include a unique anonymous identifier that helps track and store user preferences during Website usage, along with technical information about how the Website is used.

Most internet browsers can be configured to notify you when a cookie is received, giving you the option to reject it. However, refusing cookies may prevent you from using or negatively affect the appearance or functionality of the Website or certain areas or tools within it. To learn more about cookies, including how to see which cookies have been set and how to manage or delete them, visit https://allaboutcookies.org/.

We also automatically collect information through your IP address. In addition, if you access the Website from a mobile phone or another device, your device's unique identifier and other transactional information may also be collected.

All these technologies are designed to enhance and personalize your experience on the Website. By using the Website, you consent to the use of tracking technologies as described above.

Use of Information Collected Through the Website

We may use your Personally Identifiable Information (PII), as described above, to send you emails, messages, or other forms of communication, or to contact you in response to inquiries you have submitted. We may also use your PII to provide you with information that may be of interest to you, such as updates on new projects, IDB activities and those of other organizations, financial resources, and more. Additionally, we may use your PII for IDB record-keeping purposes, and we may combine your PII with other information—including both PII and non-PII—collected from various sources, such as other users, to carry out analyses relevant to the Website and other IDB objectives.

If you sign up to receive our email updates, we may send you periodic emails promoting or containing information related to the use of the Website and/or the IDB. Upon receiving our emails, you will have the option to "unsubscribe" and stop receiving further emails by following the "unsubscribe" instructions included in any such email or by sending us an "unsubscribe request" using the contact information provided below, where applicable.

We use the Anonymous Information we collect to analyze the behavior of Website visitors to measure interest in and usage of the Website and other services we offer. This information helps us generate aggregate statistics, such as access times, referring pages, browser types

used, and which pages of the Website are viewed. These statistics help us understand how the Website is used and provide valuable insights for improving the Website in the future.

Disclosure for Legal Obligations

We may disclose PII or other information obtained through the Website in response to legal processes or when we believe in good faith that such disclosure is required by law—for example, in response to a court order, subpoena, or request from a law enforcement agency. We may also disclose such information to protect the security and operation of the Website, the rights of other Website users, or to protect ourselves, our partners, affiliates, advisors, vendors, and service providers from liability, or if there is reason to believe someone is causing or threatening harm or interference with IDB rights or property. This includes protection against fraud.

Business Transfers

In the event that a portion of the IDB's assets or operations is sold, assigned, merged, or otherwise transferred to a third party other than the IDB, we may transfer your PII as part of that transaction. Should such a transfer occur, the IDB will make reasonable efforts to ensure that your PII remains subject to the same protections as before the transfer. However, once your PII is transferred and the transaction is complete, it will no longer be subject to this Privacy Policy, and you will need to review the recipient party's policies and practices to understand how your PII will be protected.

Updates to Personal Information

If you have provided us with your PII—whether through a "Contact Us" form on the Website or by posting it via blogs or similar tools—you may request that we correct or delete your PII. For your protection, we will only honor such requests regarding PII associated specifically with the email address from which the request was sent, and we may need to verify your identity before processing your request.

We will make every reasonable effort to comply with your request promptly, including the removal of PII from our records. However, we may be required to retain certain information for archival purposes, and residual information may remain in our databases and other records, which cannot be fully removed.

Please note that we are not responsible for correcting, updating, or deleting any PII posted on the Website. We cannot control the use or re-distribution of any PII already accessed by another Website visitor.

Data Security

We are committed to protecting the security and integrity of the Personally Identifiable Information (PII) we collect by implementing physical, electronic, and administrative procedures designed to safeguard the information from loss, misuse, unauthorized access or disclosure, alteration, or destruction. However, given the inherent nature of the Internet as an open global communication network, we cannot guarantee that any information—whether transmitted over the Internet, stored in our information systems, or otherwise in our possession—will be fully protected from unauthorized access by third parties such as hackers. This includes information provided to us via email, through direct postings on our

Website, or through the Website's "Contact Us" tool. When providing information through these channels, please be aware that its transmission may not be secure while in transit and that third parties may be able to view the information during that time.

Data Retention

We retain PII and Anonymous Information collected through the Website for operational, record-keeping, and legal purposes. We will retain your PII for as long as necessary to fulfill the purposes described in this Policy or in accordance with our data retention policies, unless a longer retention period is required by law.

International Data Transfers

When you provide information to us through the Website or by other means, that information (including all types of PII) will be processed in the United States of America. The data protection and privacy laws of the United States may not provide the same level of protection as the laws of other countries. By submitting personal information to the IDB from outside the United States—either directly through the Website or through other means—you are consenting to the transfer of your information to the United States, subject to the safeguards outlined in this Privacy Policy.

Children's Privacy

The Website is not directed to minors, and we do not knowingly collect or store any personal information from individuals under the age of 13.

Linked Services

The Website may contain links to third-party websites. These links are provided for your convenience and do not imply endorsement of those websites, locations, or their content. The IDB does not control the websites, applications, or other services operated by third parties, and we are not responsible for the data protection and privacy policies of those websites, applications, or services. Therefore, we encourage you to familiarize yourself with the privacy policies and practices of any third-party site, application, or service once you have navigated away from our Website.