

TSANET

Legal Framework



What is TSANet

TSANet is a <u>not-for-profit</u> global collaborative alliance consisting of **850+** companies working together to improve their shared customers' support experiences.























































TSANet Provides

- Technology Partner Framework (relationships between Members)
- 2. Legal Framework for Multi-Vendor Support
- 3. ISO 27001/27701 Certified Process and System for collaborating with other Members
- 4. Other benefits based on Membership level















Legal Framework Creation

- 1. Created by legal teams from the TSANet Board of Director companies (IBM, Dell, Microsoft, and others)
- Updated as needed based on input from the TSANet Board of Directors and ISO27001/277001 auditors
- 3. A series of documents to support both the association and support for Members' Technology Partnerships

Addendum to code to support the Member relationship

Association Agreements (Code of Conduct and License & Member Acceptance)

Supporting Documents (Example Member bylaws)



TSANet Legal Documents

Members Accept when joining







Supporting Documents







User accepts



Data Protection and Privacy

Core Documents - All Members Accept

Database License and Member Acceptance Agreement: Use of TSANet and Membership terms TSANet Membership Terms Use of TSANet Database (TSANet Connect) **Liability Limitations** Code of Conduct: Defines responsibilities and obligations of members when collaborating

- Defines types of relationships
- Competition and anti-competitive activities
- Notices to Members
- Treatment of confidential data between member companies (e.g. GDPR)
- Limitation of Liability
- Legal Precedence

Addendums to the Code of Conduct

The Addendum defines the relationships between Members (Click to accept)

- Definition of end customer experience
- ☐ Hours of support and Member response times
- ☐ Geographic coverage
- Product Coverage
- Platform Certification
- Relationship termination requirements
- ☐ Call Ownership and Transfer of Incident

Supporting Documents

- 1. Bylaws Defines organizational structure, member levels, joining criteria, termination guidelines and general business scope
- 2. Competition Compliance Policy Manual: Provides information on what is not allowed (For example price fixing)
- 3. Membership Guidelines: A reference to terms used in the addendums
- **4. Data Protection and Privacy Statement**: Click to accept by the user. Defines data protection and privacy as defined by ISO27701/GDPR