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POLICY Information Security

1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish an information security policy for Zayed University that ensures the continual improvement of its processes, systems, and protection of intellectual property to achieve confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information.

2. Scope of Application

This policy applies to all ZU employees and students, whether full- or part-time, paid or unpaid, temporary or permanent. It applies to all information collected, stored or used by or on behalf of any operational unit, department, college or person within the community in connection with university operations.

3. Policy

- **3.1** ZU recognizes that information security and safety is essential for providing secure education, training, student support, and services to all stakeholders.
- **3.2** In order to achieve the above, ZU has entrusted the Information Technology Department (ITD) to maintain and continuously improve information security and safety within its premises, operations, and information technology services, and to minimize its exposure to risks.
- **3.3** To meet the above requirements, the ITD shall ensure that:
 - a) Paramount importance shall be given to the protection against any misuse of information, and the prevention of any information security risk. To this end, threat analysis and risk evaluation shall be carried out on a proactive and continuous basis.
 - b) Information is made available only to authorized users as per business processes and requirements.
 - c) Sensitive information stored/processed on any device/media and in any format which belongs to ZU shall be protected against unauthorized access and handling.
 - d) All information security incidents, including security breaches and irregularities must be reported to the ITD Service Desk. ITD Service Desk is

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- responsible to record and respond to the incident as per the ITD Incident management procedure.
- e) Corrective action shall be taken and followed up through the regular verifications to improve the overall security standards within ZU.
- f) ITD complies with relevant laws, regulations, contractual agreements, and ZU policies.
- g) All employees and students are made aware of the importance of information security at ZU.
- h) This policy will be reviewed and updated as necessary.
- **3.4** The ITD has established and will maintain an effective and efficient information security management system based upon the requirements of auditing standards and all applicable regulations.

4. Related Policies and Laws

SUP-ITS-103 Bring Your Own Device

SUP-ITS-104 Acceptable Usage

SUP-ITS-105 Internet Usage

SUP-ITS-201 Access Control

SUP-ITS-205 Password Security

SUP-ITS-206 Email Security

Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) Regulations for Information Technology Security in Federal Entities

5. Administration

This policy is administered by the Information Technology Department.

6. Revision History

Date	Revision		
20 February 2023	Administrative change:		
	Updated the information header and policy numbers to be in line with the		
	new format.		
	• Updated the policy number from SUP-ITS-04 to SUP-ITS-203.		
10 June 2020	Approved by the CAFO.		
2 April 2020	Reviewed with no substantive changes required:		
	Updated the policy as per ISO 27001:2013 standard		
6 January 2020	Updated the policy number to SUP-ITS-04 from SUP-ITS-10.		
15 May 2018	New policy approved by the University Council.		

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