

Information Security in **visualmetrics**

Statement of Applicability

visualmetrics acknowledge the need for an ISP (Information Security Policy) as a critical component of company policy, employee responsibility, and a fundamental aspect of the client and supplier relationship. The government has initiated ISO 27001 as the standard for ISP, and **visualmetrics** recognise the need for consistent best practices in policies and procedures for ISP. However, **visualmetrics** are not planning to wholly implement ISO 27001, which is over engineered for an organisation of both our size and nature.

Risk Assessment

The **visualmetrics** risk assessment identified a number of potential risks associated with copies of clients' data files, which are often supplied to **visualmetrics** in the course of our project work. Therefore, the emphasis of the **visualmetrics** ISP is concerned with the protection of those data-files, wherever they may be physically held or transmitted by **visualmetrics**.

Principles & Policy

visualmetrics' management are wholly committed to providing a robust Information Security Management System (ISMS), and a key component of that system involves the encryption of clients' data-files when held by **visualmetrics**. The policy which **visualmetrics** will be implementing is both influenced by, and conforms with, ISO 27001, adhering to all of its fundamental principles.

Risk Treatment Plan

Whilst our ISMS is being fully implemented across all of our historical operations, we can assure and demonstrate to our customers that as of today, any data-files provided to **visualmetrics** will be stored either on consultants' encrypted laptops, and/or in encrypted volumes on other storage devices as required – removable hard drives, flash-drives, etcetera.

It is worth mentioning that all of our machines are protected with best-of-breed antivirus and malware protection software and, along with our wireless access points and computer logins, require encrypted key access. As a longstanding member of **FAST** (The Federation Against Software Theft) **visualmetrics** has actively sought to encourage the adoption of best-practices and policies concerning client information confidentiality and security, and intellectual property protection within the IT industry.

We are confident that **visualmetrics'** ISMS and ISP will both provide our clients with the necessary reassurance that their data-files are securely guarded, and enable them to fulfil their legal and contractual obligations.