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§ Dispute Resolution

(1) All disputes arising out of or in connection with this Agreement or its amendments, which the Parties are unable to settle, shall be brought before the Conciliation Office of the German Association of Law and Informatics e.V. (*Deutsche Gesellschaft für Recht und Informatik e.V.*, hereinafter **DGRI e.V.**), presently

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to be settled, fully or in part, provisionally or finally, in accordance with the Conciliation Rules valid at the time such dispute is brought before the Conciliation Office.

(2) The limitation period for any claim relating to the facts brought before the Conciliation Office shall be suspended from the date such conciliation request is docketed until the conciliation proceedings are concluded. Sec. 203 German Civil Code (BGB) shall apply.

(3) For the sake of clarity the parties state that the institution of conciliation proceedings does not constitute a prerequisite for proceedings, no matter whether they concern the main proceedings or are for provisional measures.