CODEIT COOKIE POLICY

Purpose

CodeIT is an international programming competition organized by the software company Musala Soft. Musala Soft understands the importance of privacy and is constantly trying to ensure its protection. Having a Cookie Policy is one way to achieve that. This Cookie Policy explains how Musala Soft ("Company", "we", "us", and "our") uses cookies and similar technologies to recognize you when you visit our website at codeit.bg.

The following information is designed to help partners, participants and users of our website understand what information we collect and how we handle and use the information after that, as well as their rights to control the information collected.

Please read this policy carefully. If you do not agree with its terms, please do not access the Site.

What are cookies

Cookies are small data files that are placed on your computer or mobile device when you visit a website. Cookies are widely used by website owners in order to make their websites work, or to work more efficiently, as well as to provide reporting information.

Cookies set by the website owner (in this case, Musala Soft) are called "first-party cookies". Cookies set by parties other than the website owner are called "third-party cookies". Third-party cookies enable third-party features or functionality to be provided on or through the website (e.g. advertising, interactive content and analytics). The parties that set these third-party cookies can recognize your computer both when it visits the website in question and also when it visits certain other websites.

Why do we use cookies

We use first- and third-party cookies (such as YouTube cookies placed on visitors' devices when they access our page containing a YouTube video) that are essential for the technical operation of our websites. These are referred to as "functionality" or "strictly necessary" cookies.

Types of cookies

The specific types of first-party cookies served through our website and the purposes they perform are described below:

1. *Cookie: CAKEPHP*

   - Purpose: Web application framework designed to streamline the development of PHP applications. It provides a structured approach to building web apps by using the Model-View-Controller (MVC) architecture, which helps organize code and improve maintainability.
   - Lifespan: 10 (ten) hours
   - Domain: codeit.bg
   - Type: Web Development Framework, MVC Architecture

- Personal Data: CakePHP does not directly handle personal data, but it provides tools and conventions for developers to build applications that may manage personal data securely. Its built-in features, such as ORM and security tools, help ensure that applications adhere to best practices for data handling and security.
- Consent: User consent is not directly applicable to CakePHP as it is a developer framework. However, developers using CakePHP should ensure their applications comply with relevant data protection regulations (like GDPR) and obtain necessary user consent for data collection and processing as required by law.

2. *Cookie: cookie-consent-banner*

- Purpose: Used to manage user consent for website cookies, particularly to comply with EU regulations like the GDPR and ePrivacy Directive.
- Lifespan: 30 (thirty) days
- Domain: codeit.bg
- Type: Functionality Cookie, Compliance Cookie
- Personal Data: This cookie does not collect personal data, but stores information related to the user's cookie consent preferences. It tracks whether users have accepted or declined cookie usage and remembers their choices during subsequent visits.
- Consent: User consent is required to use this cookie as it is part of the mechanism to manage cookie consent and comply with legal requirements. Users can manage their cookie preferences through the cookie banner or settings provided on the website.

Additionally, there are two main types of cookies depending on the period for which they remain stored on your device. Based on this criterion, we distinguish between session and persistent cookies.

1. Session cookies
- Session cookies remain stored on your device only while the browser you use is open and are automatically deleted upon its closing.

2. Persistent cookies
- Persistent cookies remain stored and are consequently accessed upon each of your next visits of the website, for a predetermined period of time, which may last for days, months or up to a year.

How to Manage Cookies

You have the right to decide whether to accept or reject cookies. However, please note that functionality cookies cannot be rejected, though, as they are strictly necessary to provide you with services.

Although most browsers automatically accept cookies, you can choose whether or not to accept cookies via your browser's settings (often found in your browser's Tools or Preferences menu). You may also delete cookies from your device at any time. However, please be aware that if you do not accept cookies, you will have difficulties using our website.

Changes to This Policy

This policy is subject to periodic review. We may update this Cookie Policy at any time and for the company's needs/regulatory changes. The latest version of the policy will be published on our website following any significant updates.

Contact Us

For questions specifically about this Policy, or our collection and/or processing of your personal information, cookies or similar technologies, please contact us: via email at gdpr@musala.com.