1. Scope

1.1 These Standard Terms and Conditions for Purchase Contract, (hereafter called the “General Conditions”) form an integral part of the Purchase Contract (“Contract”) concerning purchase of goods like hardware, including the operating software (“Product”) and maintenance respectively support thereof.

1.2 The SIX Code for Suppliers (https://www.six-group.com/dam/about/downloads/responsibility/supplier_code_en.pdf) form an integral part of these STC Purchase. Supplier acknowledges that it has accepted the said Rules of Behavior and agrees to abide by them.

2. Handover and installation

2.1 The product is deemed delivered when the receiver assigns SIX signs the dispatch note at the place of delivery.

2.2 On request of SIX and against separate payment, Supplier may take care of the installation of the hardware (and the operating software).

3. Transfer of Risk

Risk is transferred at the time of delivery.

4. Use of the operating software

The manner and scope of the use of the operating software inextricably associated with the hardware shall be governed by the intended purpose of the hardware. SIX may sell the hardware (including the operating software) to third parties, provided that SIX renounces its own use thereof.

5. Deployment of personnel responsible for Product installation

5.1 For Contract performance, Supplier shall deploy only qualified and appropriately trained personnel for such tasks. Such personnel shall be replaced in case of insufficient expertise or if they otherwise endanger performance of the Contract.

5.2 Supplier may only deploy personnel with the authorizations required.

6. Engagement of third parties

6.1 Any engagement of third parties (subcontractor) shall be subject to prior approval by SIX and shall be without prejudice to Supplier’s obligation to assume full responsibility for supplying SIX with the contractually agreed performance.

6.2 SIX shall be entitled to oblige Supplier to engage third parties for contractual performance. In such a case, SIX shall be liable for the consequences of any faulty performance by any such third party, insofar as Supplier proves that said third party acted properly and complied with the relevant instructions and requirements.

7. Documentation

7.1 Supplier shall provide SIX with fully reproducible and market-compliant documentation of the Product, whereby said documentation shall be provided on paper and electronically and in the languages specified in the Contract.

7.2 SIX may copy and use the documentation for the contractual purpose.

8. Instruction

Where agreed, Supplier conducts an initial instruction to be determined according to scope and target audience.

9. Import requirements / Export restrictions

Supplier guarantees compliance with any export restrictions and import regulations from the place of origin to the place of delivery according to the Contract. Supplier informs SIX in writing about any export restrictions of the country of origin.

10. Obligation of Maintenance

10.1 Maintenance of the hardware encompasses keeping it in working order (on a preventive basis) and restoring it to working order (remediation of malfunctions and errors) through repair and replacement of defective parts.

10.2 Support encompasses advice and assistance to SIX with respect to the use of the hardware covered by the Contract (including the operating software).

10.3 On request of SIX, Supplier guarantees, within a period of three years after the expiration of the period of limitation (clause 11) and based on a written contract, the maintenance of the products as well as the delivery of spare and mounting parts.

10.4 After the expiration of the period of limitation, maintenance services and spare and mounting parts are to be paid and take place according to the approaches of the initial cost ground.

11. Examination / Warranty

11.1 Supplier warrants that the Product features the arranged objective and legal characteristics, in addition to those characteristics which should be taken for granted without further agreements. Supplier furthermore guarantees that the services rendered have all the agreed and assured characteristics as well as the characteristics that SIX may in good faith also expect without any special agreement.

11.2 Supplier assumes a warranty of 24 months from the handover or installation of the hardware (including operating software) or from receipt of the fully rendered, contractually agreed performance.

11.3 During the warranty period, defects may be claimed at any time. Even after expiry of the warranty period, Supplier is required to honour claims arising from the warranty rights of SIX set out below, provided that the defects were brought to Supplier’s attention in writing during the warranty period.

11.4 Supplier guarantees that it is in possession of all the rights to render its performance under the contract. In particular, it is entitled to distribute the operating software delivered with the hardware and to grant SIX the rights to use the operating software according to the contractually agreed scope.

11.5 In case of the delivery of a defective Product or inadequate performance, SIX has the right to request, on discretion of Supplier, (i) a dispensation at no charge or a rectification of defects within an adequate period of time, (ii) a transformation or (iii) a reduction of value.

11.6 SIX shall examine the Product within 30 days after implementation. However, the last examination shall be performed within 6 months after receipt. SIX shall inform the Company of defects within an appropriate time.

11.7 When delivering more Products of the same kind, a separate examination for every Product has to be realized at the respective implementation.
11.8 Demands, due to lacks of conformity in the Contract, which were not recognizable at the examination, lapse two years after the implementation of the Product and can become valid at any time during this period.

11.9 Lacks of conformity, concealed by devious means, can give rise to a claim within ten years after receipt of the Products. Such lacks of conformity must however be notified as soon as possible.

12. Consequences of termination

On termination of the Contract, Supplier shall return to SIX immediately and without no additional costs all paper and electronic documentation and data related to the Contract and shall retain no copy of such data and/or documentation.

13. Security Regulations

13.1 Insofar as Supplier accesses the premises of SIX and/or any SIX data and information systems, Supplier shall comply with any access or security regulations.

13.2 Supplier shall advise all personnel and third parties involved in performing the Contract to abide by the access and security regulations and shall formally obligate said personnel to abide by this covenant. In particular, all personnel of Supplier who spend time in the premises of SIX and who handle business information and data as well as computer equipment and documentation shall sign the form “Rules of behavior for external personnel” (to be found on http://www.six-group.com/dam/about/downloads/terms-conditions/rules_external_personnel_en.pdf). Supplier shall keep the signed forms on file and hand over to SIX on first request.

13.3 Insofar as Supplier accesses the information systems of SIX, SIX shall have the right to monitor, record and evaluate Supplier’s activities in the information systems.

14. Prices and terms of payment

14.1 The price includes all services necessary for the completion of the contract. Covered by the price are especially the costs of documentation, the costs of expenses, the licence fee, costs for packaging, transport, insurance and unloading as well as tolls and the value added tax. All costs have to be separately identified for the entity.

14.2 The price is due within 30 days after the receipt of the Product. SIX shall make payment of any amount owed within thirty (30) days following receipt of the invoice.

15. Delay

15.1 Supplier will be considered as in arrears without further ado if violating the delivery date defined in the Contract.

15.2 If Supplier is in arrears, it is liable to pay a contract penalty, unless it can prove that it was not at fault itself. This contract penalty is settled to 0.2% of the entire price, compliant with the contract, for each day of delay, however in total not exceeding 10% of the defined price. The contract penalty does not release Supplier from other contractual obligations.

16. Intellectual property rights

16.1 The intellectual property rights of the Product are held by Supplier or third parties.

16.2 Supplier guarantees that it is entitled to transfer the operating software to SIX together with the hardware for a non-exclusive, unlimited use.

17. Breach of intellectual property rights

17.1 Supplier shall, at its own expenses, risk and without delay, defend against claims by third parties concerning breach of Rights. Should a third party initiate proceedings against Supplier, Supplier shall without delay inform SIX in writing.

17.2 If, pursuant to the Rights allegedly breached, SIX is unable to use the contractually agreed Deliverables in whole or in part, Supplier has the option of changing such Deliverables in such a way that they do not breach the Rights of third parties but nonetheless comply with the contractually agreed Deliverables, or of obtaining a license from the third party at its own expense. If Supplier fails to implement any of these options within a reasonable period, SIX may withdraw from the Contract with immediately effect.

18. Certifications, Import and Export Regulations

18.1 Supplier arranges the required certificates and informs SIX about possible country-specific import and export regulations.

18.2 With the delivery of the Product, SIX assumes the obligations of a re-exportation transferred by Supplier.

19. Nondisclosure

19.1 Supplier shall keep confidential all information, documentation and data that are acquired by Supplier in connection with the process of provisioning the contractual Deliverables (“business secrets”), and shall in particular be prohibited from making Confidential Information available or accessible to any third party or otherwise disclosing Confidential Information.

19.2 Supplier shall advise all personnel involved in performing the Contract of said personnel’s obligation to keep business secrets confidential, and shall formally obligate said personnel to abide by this covenant.

Supplier shall in particular obligate all such personnel to sign the confidentiality declaration (“Non-disclosure declaration”) of SIX (available at: http://www.six-group.com/dam/about/downloads/terms-conditions/confidentiality_statement_en.pdf), which shall form an integral part of the Contract. All such signed documents shall be kept on file by Supplier and be submitted to SIX on first request.

19.3 A contractual penalty in the amount of the contract value, but not less than EUR 20,000, shall be imposed on Supplier for any breach of this clause, whatever its nature.

19.4 The confidentiality obligations predate conclusion of the Contract and persists after termination of the contractual relationship.

19.5 This non-disclosure obligations shall prevail pre-existing obligations of non-disclosure.

19.6 SIX shall have the right to disclose the content of this contract to other SIX Group Companies.

20. Data protection and data security

20.1 In the event that Supplier processes personal data, Supplier, in its capacity as sub-contractor as defined by Regulation
(EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council dated 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, shall process such data only on the instructions of the data controller concerned, and shall take all useful precautions to safeguard such data and, in particular, to prevent it from being corrupted, damaged or communicated to unauthorized persons.

20.2 To this end, Supplier shall, in particular, respect and ensure that its personnel respect the following obligations:
   a) not to use the documents or information processed for any purpose other than those specified in the Contract,
   b) not to disclose such documents or information to third parties,
   c) to take all useful precautions in order to avoid misuse or fraudulent use of computer files in the course of Contract execution,
   d) to take all reasonable safeguards to ensure the implementation of security measures, in particular in terms of material, to ensure the storage and integrity of documents and information processed during the term of the Contract.

20.3 No data of a personal nature may be processed by the Contractor outside the European Union without the prior, written agreement of the data controller concerned and the implementation, in particular from a contractual point of view, of adequate safeguards to protect such data.

20.4 SIX shall be entitled to transfer personal data to other companies within SIX in Switzerland, as it is a country that offers a similar degree of protection to that of the European Union, in conformity with decision IP/00/865.

21. Liability

21.1 The contracting parties are liable to each other for any damage, loss or injury caused to the other party by breach of contract unless they are able to prove that no fault can be attributed to them. Except in the case of malicious intent, liability shall be capped at double the amount of the Contract value.

21.2 Supplier and/or its engaged third parties shall under no circumstances be liable for any damage, loss or injury caused by any force majeure (e.g. war, civil unrest, terrorist attacks, flooding, strikes, forces of nature). If Supplier is prevented from performing the Contract for more than thirty (30) days, SIX shall have the right to withdraw from the Contract.

21.3 The rules in this section shall be subject to clause 17.1.

22. Supplier's status as an independent contractor

22.1 In its capacity as an independent contractor, Supplier shall assume sole responsibility for payment of all taxes, social security charges, and the like that are payable by Supplier. Supplier shall also obtain any insurance coverage desired by Supplier in its own name.

23. Liability insurance

23.1 Supplier shall obtain liability insurance that covers any damages that may be attributable to Supplier or the personnel thereof, whereby the amount of the coverage obtained shall be concomitant with the value of the Deliverables.

23.2 At the behest of SIX, Supplier shall allow SIX to examine Supplier's liability insurance policy.

24. Assignment

24.1 Any assignment of the Contract by both parties to a third party shall require prior written authorization from the other party.

24.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, SIX shall be entitled to assign the Contract to any other SIX of SIX.

25. Written form

Changes and amendments to the Contract as well as termination of the Contract shall be required to be in writing.

26. Severability clause

Should any provision of the Contract be or become void, ineffective or unenforceable in full or in part, the validity and enforceability of all of the remaining provisions shall not be affected. The void, ineffective or unenforceable provision shall be regarded as replaced by the effective and enforceable provision that corresponds as closely as possible to the economic objective of the void, ineffective and unenforceable provision. The same shall apply to any gaps in the Contract.

27. Use of SIX as a reference

Any use of SIX as a reference shall be subject to SIX’s prior written authorization.

28. Applicable law; place of jurisdiction

28.1 This Agreement is subject to Belgian law, to the exclusion of all other laws. The Vienna Convention (United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods concluded in Vienna on 11 April 1980) is expressly excluded by the parties. In the case of any disputes arising out of or in connection with the interpretation, conclusion, execution or termination of the present Contract, the exclusive place of jurisdiction shall be the French-speaking Courts and Tribunals of Brussels.