

#### **Terms of Use**

Effective Date: January 15, 2025

You can find our previous terms as of November 1, 2023 <u>here</u>. You can find our previous terms as of April 21, 2021 <u>here</u>.

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Section 1: Acceptance, Access and Amendments



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# Section 3: Ownership

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### Biometric Authentication Login Services:

Validere may, from time to time, offer you the ability to use your "Biometric Credentials" (including fingerprints, facial map or any other biometric data) that are registered or stored on your mobile device as an alternative to using your login, password and/or two-factor authentication "Security Key" for verifying your identity and accessing the mobile Platform application ("App") on those devices (the "Biometric Authentication Service"). To activate the Biometric Authentication Service, you must activate the biometric identity sensor module on your device and complete the steps specified on the App. Once successfully registered, you may authenticate your identity with your Biometric Credentials in lieu of your Security Key. Having activated the Biometric Authentication Service on your device, you may still choose to login with your Security Key. You may deactivate the Biometric Authentication Service at any time by completing the steps specified on the App. We have the right to specify or vary, from time to time, the scope and features of the Biometric Authentication Service without prior notice to you.



By using the Biometric Authentication Service, you consent to the authentication process and our access to and use of the information obtained via the biometric identity sensor module. Validere does not store your Biometric Credentials.

You understand and agree that in order to use the Biometric Authentication Service you must: a) be a valid user of the App in a commercial or employment context, and not in an individual or household context, and solely on behalf of your Organization's use and purposes; b) install the App on a compatible Apple or Android mobile device and such other electronic equipment that we may accept for use with the Biometric Authentication Service from time to time; c) activate the biometric identity sensor module on your device and register at least one of your Biometric Credentials; and d) re-activate the Biometric Authentication Service and agree to these terms: (i) for each new device that you use; and (ii) each time that you reinstall the App or delete the local data on your device.

You fully understand and agree that upon successful registration for the Biometric Authentication Service on a device, all Biometric Credentials stored on that device must be your own. If you store any other person's Biometric Credentials or allow any other person's Biometric Credentials to be stored on the device, you are responsible for all liabilities related to the unauthorized access to the Platform by you or any other person.

The Biometric Authentication Service is provided to you on an "as is" and "as available" basis. We do not warrant that the Biometric Authentication Service will be available at all times, or that it will be compatible with any electronic equipment, software, system or services that we may offer from time to time. Validere is not responsible for the biometric identity sensor technology. We do not give warranty, whether express or implied, of any kind including any warranty of quality, accuracy or performance, merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, title or non-infringement of right.

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### Section 8: Network Access and Devices

You are responsible for obtaining the data network access necessary to use the Platform. Your mobile network's data and messaging rates and fees may apply if you access or use the Platform from a wireless-enabled device, and you shall be responsible for such rates and fees. You are responsible for acquiring and updating compatible hardware or devices necessary to access and use the Platform and any updates thereto. Validere does not guarantee that the Platform, or any portion thereof, will function on any particular hardware or devices. In addition, the Platform may be subject to malfunctions and delays inherent in the use of the Internet and electronic communications.

## Section 9: Terminating Access to the Platform.

You acknowledge and agree that we may terminate your access to, and use of, the Platform (a) if you breach (or we reasonably believe you have breached) these Terms of Use or any Supplemental Terms; (b) if required by applicable law; (c) if your Organization advises that you



are no longer an authorized user for its enterprise-level subscription; or (d) if we discontinue the provision of the Platform to our users generally. You acknowledge and agree that we will not be liable to you or any third party for any costs or damages of any kind for, or resulting from, any termination of your access to the Platform.

### Section 10: Miscellaneous

- a. Entire Agreement. These Terms of Use, together with the Supplemental Terms, constitute the entire agreement between you and Validere with respect to the subject matter hereof.
- b. Governing Law. These Terms of Use shall be governed by, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein, excluding their rules governing conflicts of laws. Both parties hereby expressly and irrevocably attorn to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of competent jurisdiction sitting in Toronto, Ontario, or in such other jurisdiction as Validere may determine in its sole and unfettered discretion to enforce its rights.
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