GLOBALG.A.P.

Sustainable Agriculture Initiative Platform's

Farm Sustainability Assessment (FSA) V2.1

Data Access Rules

ENGLISH VERSION 1.1

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1 INTRODUCTION

The GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat offers customers various services in the GLOBALG.A.P. database (https://database.globalgap.org). This requires data to be collected and processed. As per our data protection policy, we commit to strict requirements for processing personal data and ensure compliance with national and international data protection laws, in particular the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) of the European Union. Further information on how we process personal data can be found in our privacy policy here.

Among other things, personal data is collected to allow the GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat provide the service to its partner Sustainable Agriculture Initiative Platform (SAI Platform) of organizing and managing the SAI Platform system and audits.

This document describes the default minimum data access settings for SAI Platform's Farm Sustainability Assessment (FSA). It details what information is published in the GLOBALG.A.P. database and visible to the different data access groups. By participating in the FSA, the verified party grants access to the company data as well as product and assessment data as defined below.

The verification body shall record this data and update in the GLOBALG.A.P. database whenever there is a change and at the latest with the re-acceptance of products for the next certificate cycle and/or the re-certification.

2 DEFINITIONS

2.1 DATA ACCESS GROUPS

Verification bodies and SAI Platform have access to FSA data in the GLOBALG.A.P. database located at https://database.globalgap.org.

Access rights to the data stored in the database depend on the data access group to which the user belongs. A user may belong to more than one data access group.

The following data access groups exist:

- GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat (chapter 2.1.1)
- Verification body (chapter 2.1.2)
- Observer (chapter 2.1.3)
- Public (chapter 2.1.4)

Except for the data access group "public," the users have a personalized account with personalized login credentials.

2.1.1 Data Access Group: GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat

This group represents individuals in the GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat with access to the data registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database. Only GLOBALG.A.P. staff who have signed a confidentiality agreement will be assigned to this data access group.

GLOBALG.A.P. Secretariat has access to all data filed in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.

2.1.2 Data Access Group: Verification Body

This group represents all FSA verification bodies, which have extended data access rights for their own clients. Verification body administrators are allowed to not only read, but also enter data into the GLOBALG.A.P. database for their clients.

Where a Farm Management Group (FMG) does not have any products in an active status (see definition below), any verification body, if it has the Global Farm Number (GFN), is able to transfer the producer to its own verification body and thereby gain access to the company (FMG) data registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database as well as to product data (assessment history).

2.1.3   Data Access Group: FSA Observer

FSA Observers have specific, extended access rights to the data. Currently, SAI Platform is the only FSA Observer. Additional FSA Observers may be added as decided by SAI Platform.

2.1.4   Data Access Group: Public

Any user of the GLOBALG.A.P. database without a personalized account is considered a "public user" and granted public access rights.

2.2   TYPES OF DATA AND DATA RELEASE

2.2.1   Standard Data/Standard Visibility

Standard data/standard visibility covers the general visibility of the FSA v2.1 standard in the GLOBALG.A.P. database to the defined data access groups. These settings cannot be modified.

2.2.2   Company (FMG) Data

Company (FMG) data covers all company- and/or FMG-related data described below. Examples of company (FMG) data are the company name and address.

Any company (FMG) data to which observers and/or the public have access as indicated in the tables detailing the access rights below is only visible to these data access groups if at least one product is in an active status (see definition below) for the respective producer/company/operation.

2.2.3   Product and Assessment Data

Product and assessment data cover all product-related data described below. Examples of product data are the number of FMG members and the quantity.

Furthermore, all assessment-related data is covered, e.g., the validity of the assessment.

All data to which observers and/or the public have access as indicated in the tables detailing the access rights for the FSA is visible to these data access groups for the respective company (FMG) only.

2.3   FURTHER DEFINITIONS

2.3.1   Active Status of a Product

A product that has one of the following statuses in the GLOBALG.A.P. database: accepted, certified, assessed, open non-conformance, suspended, self-declared suspension.

The active status may refer to a current assessment cycle, or to the next assessment cycle, provided the product has already been created in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.

2.3.2   Data Partners

GLOBALG.A.P. registers and licenses data partners. Data partners make the data stored in the GLOBALG.A.P. database available to data access groups that are entitled to access such data in accordance with these data access rules. All data partners must strictly adhere to these data access rules and the GLOBALG.A.P. privacy policy.

3   STANDARD DATA/STANDARD VISIBILITY

	Data access groups			
	GLOBALG.A.P. Staff	Verification Body	FSA Observer	Public
Standard visibility FSA	X	X	X	X

4   COMPANY (FMG) DATA

Mandatory/ Voluntary to enter in the database		Data access groups			
		GLOBALG.A.P. Staff	Verification Body	FSA Observer	Public
	Company (FMG coordinator)				
M	Company name	X	X	X	X
M	Company address [1]	X	X	X	X
M	Company city	X	X	X	X
M	Company country	X	X	X	X
M	Company contact information [2]	X	X	X	X
M	GFN/GLN	X	X	X	X
V	Legal registration per country	X	X	X	X
	Contact person (FMG coordinator)				
M	Contact name [3]	X	X	X	X
V	Contact information [2]	X	X	X	X

Notes
M: Mandatory entry
V: Voluntary entry

[1] Company address includes: street address (or information available to describe the producer/company location), postal address (M), postal code (V), state/province (V).

[2] Contact information includes (if available): phone number, fax number, email address.

[3] Contact name includes: title, first name, last name.

5   PRODUCT AND ASSESSMENT DATA

Mandatory/ Voluntary to enter in the database		Data access groups			
		GLOBALG.A.P. Staff	Verification Body	FSA Observer	Public
M	Product(s)	X	X	X	X
M	Standard version	X	X	X	X
M	Number of FMG members	X	X	X	X
M	Assessment validity date	X	X	X	X
M	Last assessment date [1]	X	X	X	X
M	Verification body	X	X	X	X
V	Quantity data [2]	X	X	X	
M	Assessment data [3]	X	X	X	X
M	Letter of attestation (incl. summary of continuous improvement and priority actions)	X	X	X	X

Notes

[1] Once available in the GLOBALG.A.P. database.

[2] Production surface in hectares.

[3] Data includes 'valid from' date and date of the assessment.

6   NORMATIVE FSA DOCUMENTS

FSA Third-Party Verification System Requirements for FSA Verification Bodies and Auditors

SAI Platform Farm Sustainability Assessment (FSA) Implementation Framework