



**Working Group Opt-In Agreement**  
GS1, AISBL  
Automatic Participation Commitment (Opt-In Agreement)

*By signing below*, the undersigned acknowledges and certifies as follows:

1. He/she is authorized to sign this Automatic Participation Commitment on his/her own behalf and on behalf of the entity indicated below.
2. He/she and his/her company desires to participate in the activities of all of the GSMP Working Groups, both in progress and yet to be formed.
3. He/she has reviewed the relevant Working Group Charter(s), provided on the GSMP website, understands the nature and scope of the work to be undertaken by the Working Group(s). In regard to future GSMP Working Groups, he/she agrees to review the Charter(s) upon distribution from GS1. If Participant is unclear about the nature and scope of the work to be undertaken by any Working Group(s), he/she agrees to opt-out of that Working Group prior to the first scheduled meeting of that Working Group.
4. To participate in these Working Groups, it is necessary to execute the GS1 Intellectual Property Policy (IP Policy) which provides, *inter alia*, that Participant and its Affiliates shall grant a royalty-free and otherwise reasonable and non-discriminatory license to any Necessary Claims contained in intellectual property owned or controlled by Participant or its Affiliates that may be embodied in the work of the Working Group (See §3.1 of the IP Policy), by submitting an IP Declaration attached hereto. If Participant is unwilling to grant such a license, it shall disclose this fact at least 30 days before a Standard/Specification is finalized (See §3.3 of the IP Policy). Participant or a duly authorized member of Participant's company has executed the IP Policy and delivered same to GS1. In the event of any difference between the provisions of the IP Policy and this, or any other document, the IP Policy shall control.
5. Participant agrees to waive his/her IP rights during the prototyping stage, for prototyping purposes only, whether or not Participant is involved in prototyping. The prototyping stage shall be considered completed upon the transition of the Standard/Specification from Prototype Standards status to Unratified Standard status and submission of the Unratified Standard/Specification to the Board Committee for Standards for review. At this time, the waiver will lapse.
6. Upon agreement of a Working Group, the Working Group may decide to reduce the scope of work as specified in this charter. Such a reduction is subject to Process Oversight Committee approval and does not require a new opt-in.
7. Participant agrees to be bound by the most current version of the GS1 GSMP Manual.



When you are ready to sign the GS1 Automatic Participation Commitment (Opt-In Agreement), follow these instructions.

1. [Click here](#) to request to sign the GS1 Automatic Participation Commitment (Opt-In Agreement)
2. You will receive the document via email
3. Click on document link
4. Please click “click here to review and e-sign the GS1 Automatic Participation Commitment (Opt-In Agreement)”
5. Review the document
6. Scroll to the bottom to fill out the required fields.
7. Click the signature box. A pop up window will appear.
8. Enter your name, when entering your name, and electronic signature is generated.
9. If you would like to draw your signature, click “I would like to draw my signature”
10. Click Apply
11. To finish signing the document, click “click to eSign” box at the bottom.
12. You will receive an email confirmation the document has been signed. A .pdf of the signed document will be attached for your records.

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If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact [gsmp@gs1.org](mailto:gsmp@gs1.org).

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