Subject: Privacy "agreements" and similar legal stuff
Posted by Tufa on Tue, 12 Nov 2013 15:54:35 GMT
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I just tried to read the LINKEDIN privacy policy.
they didn't even provide a NO button.

Subject: Re: Privacy "agreements" and similar legal stuff
Posted by Tufa on Wed, 13 Nov 2013 04:18:30 GMT
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I must share this with you:
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They have CHILDREN employed at Legal Office ??!?!?

process, analyze, use and commercialize, ...
in any way now known or in the future discovered, ...
I must include this in all my future agreements !

Any information you submit to us is at your own risk of loss.

As most "agreements" in software industry, I strongly doubt that this can be legal and enforceable. Nevertheless, Linkedin will probably run data mining techniques to obtain the most they can form their database.