

# **End User Licence Agreement (EULA)**

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- 14.7 This EULA is governed by **Swiss law**, without regard to the conflict of laws provisions. The United Nations' Convention on International Sales of Goods of 11 April 1980 (SR 0.221.211.1) does not apply.
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