Community of Users

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1. Introduction

This privacy statement explains the reasons for the processing, the way we collect, handle and ensure protection of all personal data provided, how that information is used and what rights you may exercise in relation to your data (the right to access, rectify, block etc.).

The European institutions are committed to protecting and respecting your privacy. As this service/application collects and further processes personal data, Regulation 2018/17251 is applicable.

This privacy statement concerns meetings, workshops, and other similar events undertaken by Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs (DG HOME), hereinafter referred to as the operating DG.

2. Why do we process your data?

Purpose of the processing operation: DG HOME (referred to hereafter as Data Controller) collects and uses your personal information to ensure an adequate organisation and follow-up of the Community of Users and meetings organised by the operating DG as well as to register you as a visitor for the purpose of granting access to Commission premises.

Lawfulness of the processing operation:

The processing operations on personal data for the organisation and management of the Community of Users and meeting are necessary and lawful under the following article of the Regulation:

- Article 5.1 (a): "processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or the exercise of official authority vested in the Union institution or body".

1 Regulation 2018/1725 of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295 of 21 November 2018).
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- Article 5.1 (d): "the data subject has given consent to the processing of his or her personal data for one or more specific purposes".

3. Which data do we collect and process?

The personal data collected and further processed are:

- Name;
- First name;
- Organisation and function;
- Contact details (e-mail address);

How long do we keep your data?

The Data Controller only keeps the data for as long as follow-up actions to the Community of Users and the meetings are necessary, considering the purpose(s) of the processing of personal data: the Community of Users and meeting and related management. All personal data will be deleted from databases 1 year after the last action in relation to the Community of Users and its meetings.

Reports containing personal data might be archived according to the Commission’s legal framework. Nevertheless, where needed, after this delay, personal data will be part of a list of contact details shared internally amongst the European Commission services for the purpose of contacting data subjects in the future in the context of the Commission’s activities. If data subjects do not agree with this, they may contact the Controller by using the Contact Information as mentioned in this Privacy Statement.

How do we protect your data?

All data in electronic format (e-mails, documents, uploaded batches of data etc.) are stored either on the servers of the European Commission or of its contractor, the operations of which abide by the European Commission’s security decision of 10 January 2017 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission².

The Commission’s contractors are bound by specific contractual clauses for any processing operations of your data on behalf of the Commission, and by the confidentiality obligations deriving from the transposition of Directive 95/46/EC³ as repealed by Regulation (EU) 2016/6794⁴.

4. Who has access to your data and to whom is it disclosed?

Members of the Community of Users and participants of the meetings, and a wider public if it is provided that personal data are published on the Internet, without prejudice to a possible transmission to the bodies in charge of a monitoring or inspection task in accordance with Community legislation.

Your personal data will be part of a list of contact details shared internally amongst the research and innovation family's EU institutions and bodies for the purpose of contacting data subjects in the

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future in the context of their activities. If you do not agree with this, please contact the Controller by using the Contact Information mentioned in chapter 7 and by explicitly specifying your request.

5. What are your rights and how can you exercise them?

According to the Regulation, you are entitled to access your personal data and rectify or block or delete it in case the data is inaccurate or incomplete.

You have consented to provide your personal data to the European Commission DG HOME, for the present processing operation. You can withdraw your consent at any time by notifying the Data Controller. The withdrawal will not affect the lawfulness of the processing carried out before you have withdrawn the consent.

You can exercise your rights by contacting the data controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer and if necessary the European Data Protection Supervisor using the contact information given at point 8 below.

6. Contact information

If you have comments or questions, any concerns or a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller using the following contact information:

The service concerned of the Data Controller:

- Directorate-General for Migration and Home Affairs, Unit B.4 Innovation and Industry for Security
- Email: HOME-COMMUNITY-OF-USERS@ec.europa.eu

The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission: DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu

The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS): edps@edps.europa.eu.

7. Where to find more detailed information?

The Commission Data Protection Officer publishes the register of all operations processing personal data. You can access the register on the following link: http://ec.europa.eu/dporegister