EUROPEAN COMMISSION



PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA

This privacy statement provides information about the processing and the protection of your personal data

Processing operation: European Monitor of Industrial Ecosystems

Data Controller: European Commission, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, D.2 – Industrial Forum, Alliances, Clusters (hereinafter "DG GROW Unit D.2" or the "Data Controller")

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1. Introduction

The European Commission (hereafter 'the Commission') is committed to protect your personal data and to respect your privacy. The Commission collects and further processes personal data pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council 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 (repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001).

This privacy statement explains the reason for the processing of your personal data, the way we collect, handle and ensure protection of all personal data provided, how that information is used and what rights you have in relation to your personal data. It also specifies the contact details of the responsible Data Controller with whom you may exercise your rights, the Data Protection Officer and the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The information in relation to processing operation "European Monitor of Industrial Ecosystems" undertaken by the Data Controller is presented below.

2. Why and how do we process your personal data?

The Data Controller processes your personal data to include it as technology centre contact information in the public online database (https://monitor-industrial-ecosystems.ec.europa.eu/) and mapping of technology centres. The online database provides an overview of the technology facilities and expertise ("centres") available in the EU to help SMEs innovate with advanced and green technologies. The mapping is meant to: allow the identification of possible gaps and overlaps in the technology facilities and capabilities available to SMEs in the EU; demonstrate the need for and encourage pan-European, easy access by SMEs to technology centres; and foster complementary specialisations and networking between technology centres.

Publicly available data of Technology Centres is included on an inventory and complemented by a registration procedure in the public online database. The registration is done on a voluntary basis by Technology Centres themselves, based on EU Login and filling an online application form that, among other information, includes the personal data explained under heading 4.

Your data will not be used for an automated decision-making, including profiling.

3. On what legal ground(s) do we process your personal data?

We process your personal data, because processing is necessary for the performance of the task explained under heading 2, which is carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the Union institution or body.

In addition, when you register for the purpose of mapping of technology centres, you (the data subject) give your consent to the processing of your personal data (or your colleagues' personal data) for such purpose, which includes the publication of the contact information on the public online database.

4. Which personal data do we collect and further process?

In order to carry out this processing operation, the Data Controller processes the following categories of personal data:

From your EU Login (mandatory data):

- Your surname
- Your given name
- Your EU Login ID
- Your email address

From the registration, about yourself or your colleagues (optional data):

- Surname
- Given name
- Position / Department
- Email address
- Phone

After your application is reviewed by a processor, you can modify your data and create new records for other persons (not necessarily having EU Login accounts).

The application respects the cookies rules explained at the following page: https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/cookies en.

5. How long do we keep your personal data?

The Data Controller only keeps your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the abovementioned purpose of providing an inventory and mapping of technology centres to the general public, including technology centre contact information. Therefore, your personal data will be deleted 3 years after the inventory (IT platform) is closed.

If needed, you can delete yourself the information you entered previously or you can ask the Commission staff to delete it if you estimate that it no longer needs to be kept.

You can delete at any moment yourself the optional data mentioned above, as it is not necessary for getting access to the platform itself.

6. How do we protect and safeguard your personal data?

All personal data in electronic format (e-mails, documents, databases, uploaded batches of data, etc.) are stored on the servers of the European Commission or of its contractors. All processing operations are carried out pursuant to the Commission Decision (EU, Euratom) 2017/46 of 10 January 2017 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission.

The Commission's contractors are bound by a specific contractual clause for any processing operations of your data on behalf of the Commission, and by the confidentiality obligations deriving from the transposition of the General Data Protection Regulation in the EU Member States ('GDPR' Regulation (EU) 2016/679).

In order to protect your personal data, the Commission has put in place a number of technical and organisational measures. Technical measures include appropriate actions to address online security, risk of data loss, alteration of data or unauthorised access, taking into consideration the risk presented by the processing and the nature of the personal data being processed. Organisational measures include restricting access to the personal data solely to authorised persons with a legitimate need to know for the purposes of this processing operation.

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

Access to your personal data is provided to the Commission staff responsible for carrying out this processing operation according to the "need to know" principle. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

The following entities are processing your personal data on behalf of the responsible Commission Services: European Innovation Council and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Executive Agency (EISMEA) (Place Rogier 16, 1049 Brussels) and its contractor IDEA Consult (Jozef II straat 40 box 1, 1000 Brussels, Belgium) acting as sub-processor. Access to your personal data is thus provided to authorised staff of EISMEA and of its contractor IDEA Consult according to the "need to know" principle. Such staff abide by contractual, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

Your personal data, as well as your colleagues' personal data you have provided, will be published on the online database (https://monitor-industrial-ecosystems.ec.europa.eu/) subject to your Centre's application being accepted by the European Commission.

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

You have specific rights as a 'data subject' under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, rectify or erase your personal data and the right to

restrict the processing of your personal data. Where applicable, you also have the right to object to the processing or the right to data portability.

You have consented to provide your non-mandatory personal data to the Controller 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. If necessary, you can also address the European Data Protection Supervisor. Their contact information is given under Heading 9 below.

Where you wish to exercise your rights in the context of one or several specific processing operations, please provide their description (i.e. their Record reference(s) as specified under Heading 10 below) in your request.

Any request for access to personal data will be handled within one month. Any other request mentioned above will be addressed within 15 working days.

9. Contact information

- The Data Controller

If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller,

European Commission – DG GROW Unit D2 - Industrial Forum, Alliances, Clusters - E-mail: GROW-D2@ec.europa.eu

- The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission

In case of disagreement with the Data Controller, you may contact the Data Protection Officer (<u>DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu</u>) with regard to issues related to the processing of your personal data under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

- The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)

You have the right to have recourse (i.e. you can lodge a complaint) to the European Data Protection Supervisor (edps@edps.europa.eu or https://edps.europa.eu/data-protection/our-role-supervisor/complaints_en) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the Data Controller.

10. Where to find more detailed information?

The Commission DPO publishes the register of all processing operations on personal data by the Commission, which have been documented and notified to him. You may access the register via the following link: http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register.

This specific processing operation has been included in the DPO's public register with the following record reference: DPR-EC-00076.