EUROPEAN COMMISSION



PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA

Processing operation: Call for expression of interest to participate to selected activities of the EU network for children's rights

Data Controller: Unit JUST.C2 "Fundamental rights policy" within Directorate General for Justice and Consumers of the European Commission

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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.

This privacy statement explains the reasons 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, of the Data Protection Officer and of the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The information in relation to the processing operation "Call for expression of interest to participate to selected activities of the EU network for children's rights" managed by Unit JUST.C2 "Fundamental rights policy" within Directorate General for Justice and Consumers of the European Commission, is presented below.

This call for expression of interest aims to set up a list of organisations or individuals who might be able to participate in selected activities of the EU network for children's rights. It has the objective to simply collect and record all expressions of interest received, and use the information provided in the form to identify organisations to be associated to selected activities of the network. The expression of interests consists of a template, through which organisations or individuals submit information on how their work relate to the promotion and protection of the rights of the child. The encoded information is received, stored and used by DG JUST C.2.

If you have provided explicit consent by ticking an online box when submitting the form, you consent for the European Commission services to share your contact details with other European Commission services or interested parties working on the rights of the child.

The EU network for children's rights is officially set up and registered by the Secretariat General of the European Commission as a Special Group "EU Network for Children's Rights" with a number S22900.

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

Purpose of the processing operations:

The Data Controllers collect and use your personal data to collect and record expressions of interest received to take part in this Commission special group, to be able to identify organisations or individuals to be associated to selected activities of the network in the future.

Therefore, the data controller uses your personal information for the following reasons:

- to authenticate you as an authorised user (EU Login) and therefore grant you access to the survey form;
- to submit your personal or organisation information in relation to the call for expression of interest
- to enable other European Commission services or interested parties working on the rights of the child to have your contact details.

For organisations/individuals that express interest to participate to selected activities of the EU network for children's rights, personal data is stored by the Commission service managing the special group. Your personal data will not be used for 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 a task carried out in the public interest (Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725).

As regards, in particular, the declarations of interests, the processing of personal data serves the public interest of enabling the Commission to verify in the process of selection the experts' independence in providing advice to the Commission.

We also process personal data where the data subject has given consent to the processing of his or her personal data for one or more specific purposes.

Your consent is required for the following actions:

• Your contact details could be shared with other European Commission services or interested parties working on the rights of the child.

If you opt-in, you are giving us your explicit consent under Article 5(1)(d) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 to process your personal data for the above-mentioned purpose. You can give your consent via a clear affirmative act by ticking the box(es) on the online form in which you express interest of becoming a part of a list of individuals and organisations that might be associated to selected activities of the network.

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

In order to carry out these processing operations, the Data Controller may collect the following categories of personal data:

- Name (title, first name, surname)
- Contact details (e-mail address, telephone number);
- Information provided in the call for expression of interest to participate in certain activities of the Network (for example, position, expertise, technical skills and languages, educational background, professional experience, including details on current and past employment);

The data are processed when you create your account to register to the database (EU Login) as well as when submitting your contact details as part of the information to express your interest to be part of the list of organisations/individuals that can take part in the activities of the Network. The registration data are collected and stored in EU Login, which is the authentication system developed by the European Commission for its different IT-systems, including for the purpose of the network.

5. How long do we keep your personal data?

The Data Controller only keeps your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of collection or further processing, and in any case up to four years from the date of opening of this call for expression of interest (13 December 2021). Expression of interests may be submitted until 7 February 2022. Should data subjects wish to have their personal data modified or removed, this request will be granted within 15 working days from the time of the request.

For the personal data processed in EU Login, the authentication system used for your registration to the network, please refer to the EU Login privacy statement (point 6 "How long do we keep your data?"): https://ecas.ec.europa.eu/cas/privacyStatement.html.

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 Commission. All processing operations are carried out pursuant to the <u>Commission Decision (EU, Euratom) 2017/46</u> of 10 January 2017 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission.

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 collected in the course of the process of selection of members of expert groups is provided to the Commission staff authorised for carrying out this processing operation and to other authorised Commission staff according to the "need to know" principle. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

With the exception of sharing contact details with Commission services and third parties working on the rights of the child, and only if you have agreed to this possibility in the on-line form, the information we collect will not be given to any third party, except to the extent and for the purpose we may be required to do so by law.

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 your personal data and to rectify them in case your personal data is inaccurate or incomplete. Under certain conditions, you have the right to erase your personal data, to restrict the processing of your personal data, to object to the processing and the right to data portability.

You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data on grounds relating to your particular situation in accordance with Article 23(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

You have consented to provide your personal data to Unit C2 of the Directorate-General for Justice and consumers 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

Regarding the personal data collected in the course of this expression of interest, 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, please contact the functional mailbox of the Commission service in charge of a specific special group.

The Data Controller:

Unit C2 "Fundamental rights policy" within Directorate General for Justice and Consumers of the European Commission just-C2@ec.europa.eu

- The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission

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) 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 Data Protection Officer (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.

These specific processing operations will be included in the DPO's public register with the following Record references: DPR-EC-01066