

Specific Privacy Statement

Consultation on the Commission's Broadband Guidelines (on the application of EU state aid rules to public funding of broadband networks)

1. Objective

The objective of this consultation is to receive the views of stakeholders concerned by the topic of the consultation and to publish them on the Internet, under the responsibility of Mr. Wouter Pieké, Head of the Unit C4 (State aid: Information, Communication and Media sectors), Competition Directorate-General, acting as the Controller.

As this consultation collects and further processes personal data, [Regulation \(EC\) 45/2001](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data, is applicable.

2. What personal information do we collect and through which technical means?

Identification Data

The personal data collected and further processed are data necessary for the participation in the public consultation, such as name/surname/organisation/ postal & e-mail addresses/phone number/fax number, including their views on the topics concerned.

The processing operations on personal data linked to the organisation and management of this consultation are necessary for the management and functioning of the Commission, as mandated by the Treaties, and more specifically articles 5, 7 and 211 - 219 of the EC Treaty.

Technical information

Your reply and personal data will be collected through e-mail or scanned by electronic means. The IT systems of the European Commission abide by the Commission's security decisions and provisions established by the Commission [Security Directorate](#).

3. Who has access to your information and to whom is it disclosed?

Received contributions, together with the identity of the contributor, will be published on the Internet, unless the contributor objects to publication of the personal data on the grounds that such publication would harm his or her legitimate interests.

Confidentiality: Please be informed that we cannot consider submissions that are entirely classified as confidential. To the extent that your submission contains partially information which qualifies as business secret, it is your responsibility to provide us with two clearly distinctive versions of your reply, one marked as "confidential" (i.e.: containing business secrets) and the other one marked as "non confidential" (i.e.: where business secrets are redacted and replaced with the words "[BUSINESS SECRETS]").

Please be informed that ALL replies to this consultation will be published on the Commission's website except for replies which are clearly marked (in the header of the reply and/or across the text of each page) as "confidential".

Any objections in this regard should be sent to the service responsible for the consultation. (See Contact information below).

4. How do we protect and safeguard your information?

Your replies are recorded in a secured and protected server in the Data Centre of the European Commission, the operations of which abide by the Commission's security decisions and provisions established by the Directorate of Security for this kind of servers and services. The information is not accessible from outside the Commission. Inside the Commission the database can be accessed using a UserId/Password.

5. How can you verify, modify or delete your information?

In case you want to verify which personal data is stored on your behalf by the responsible controller, have it modified respectively corrected or deleted, please contact the Controller by using the Contact Information below and by explicitly specifying your request.

6. How long do we keep your data?

All replies to the consultation will remain in the database until the results have been completely analysed, and they will be archived for reference purposes thereafter.

7. Contact Information

In case you wish to verify which personal data is stored on your behalf by the responsible controller, have it modified, corrected, or deleted, or if you have questions regarding the consultation, or concerning any information processed in the context of the consultation, or on your rights, feel free to contact the support team, operating under the responsibility of the Controller:

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8. Recourse

Complaints, in case of conflict, can be addressed to the [European Data Protection Supervisor](#).