

Specific Privacy Statement

Public Consultation "A dedicated legislative instrument on invasive alien species"

1. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this consultation is to receive the views of stakeholders or people concerned by the topic of the consultation and potentially to publish them on the Internet, under the responsibility of the Head of the Unit "ENV.B2", Directorate-General Environment, acting as the Controller.

As this online service 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 consultation, such as name/surname/profession/ postal & e-mail addresses/phone number/fax number..., of the contributors, 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

The system uses session "cookies" in order to ensure communication between the client and the server. Therefore, your browser must be configured to accept "cookies". However, it does not collect personal or confidential information of any kind, nor any IP address from your PC. The cookies disappear once the session has been terminated.

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. In this case the contribution may be published in anonymous form. Otherwise the contribution will not be published nor will, in principle, its content be taken into account. 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, together with your chosen language used for drafting the reply, are recorded in a secured and protected database hosted by 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 database is not accessible from outside the Commission. Inside the Commission the database can be accessed using a UserId/Password.

Access to the application is via a non-encrypted connection using the normal http protocol.

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, 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?

Your personal data will remain in the database until the results have been completely analysed and will be rendered anonymous when they have been usefully exploited, and at the latest after 1 year from the end of the consultation.

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, using the following contact information:

DG Environment, unit B2 Biodiversity
<mailto:ENV-BIODIVERSITY@ec.europa.eu>

8. RECOURSE

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