

# **Privacy Statement**

## ***Science is Wonderful! 2020***

### **1. Introduction**

The European Commission (hereafter ‘the Commission’) is committed to protecting your personal data and to respecting your privacy. The Commission collects and further processes personal data pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, hereinafter referred to as ‘the Regulation’<sup>1</sup>.

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.

This privacy statement concerns information on the processing of personal data in the context of the online application to participate in the events Science is Wonderful! 2020 and the EU Research and Innovation Days, which will be organised online from 22 to 24 September 2020. For this online edition researchers will, through this form, propose their participation consisting of different online activities that will be made available through a dedicated platform. The set of personal data requested and processed will allow the organisation of the event and the contact with the researchers to develop the activities proposed.

While applying, your personal data will be collected and further processed for the purposes detailed hereafter under point 3. The relevant processing operations thereof and the event are under the responsibility of the Data Controller, Head of Unit of the Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA), Directorate-General Education and Culture, European Commission.

### **2. Whose personal data do we process?**

We collect and process the personal data of both Participant 1 and Participant 2 as provided by you in the online application form.

### **3. Why do we process your data?**

The purpose of the processing of personal data performed in the context of the event is the selection of projects and the management/organisation of the online event by the contractors of the European Commission, including the management of lists for contacts, invitations and participants, the establishment, management and maintenance of the platform set-up to implement the event, event follow-up, information sharing, publication on the event’s website and publication on EUROPA website.

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<sup>1</sup> 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): <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32018R1725&from=EN>

The processing operations on personal data linked to the selection of projects and the organisation/management of this event is necessary and lawful under:

· Article 5(1)(a) of the Regulation (processing necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the Union institution or body);

In case explicit consent is requested:

· Article 5(1)(d) of the Regulation (explicit consent of the data subject).

#### **4. Which personal data do we collect and process?**

The personal data collected and further processed include the information below both for the applicants, Participant 1 and Participant 2:

- Title
- First names and family names
- Email
- Telephone
- Street address, city, postal code and country
- Links to social media accounts
- Professional information, notably links to professional profiles available online

If your application is selected, you will participate in the online edition of Science is Wonderful! 2020 and the EU Research and Innovation Days, in which case your title, name, family name, country and social media links (for both participants, if applicable), together with the information about your project, as well as the content produced for the purpose of the event, will be made publicly available on the event's website and any communication material produced for the event for the duration of the preparation and implementation of the event, as detailed at point 7.

#### **5. How long do we keep your data?**

Personal data is kept for the time necessary to fulfil the purposes described in this privacy statement, notably for as long as actions related to the event, its management and follow-up. Personal data will be deleted from databases after a maximum of 5 years after the last action in relation to the event. Recordings from the web-streamed meeting or event will be kept for 2 years before being deleted. In case of audio-visual recording of the meeting or event, the recordings will be kept for 3 months after the meeting or event before being deleted.

#### **6. How do we protect and safeguard your information?**

All data in electronic format (e-mails, documents, uploaded batches of data etc.) are stored either on the servers of the 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 Commission.

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

In order to protect your personal data, a number of technical and organisational measures are put in place by the controller. 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 each processing operation.

Access rights and controls are secured via the EU Login granted to persons authorised to get access to specific documents.

## **7. Who has access to your information and to whom is it disclosed?**

Access to your personal data is provided to the Commission staff responsible for carrying out the processing operation described in this privacy statement and to authorised staff on a 'need to know' basis. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

The personal data submitted through the online application form will be shared with an external contractor in charge of the logistics and communication of the event. The contractor is bound by confidentiality as specified at point 6 above. In order to keep the network of the participants operational a contact list of is shared between attendees.

Some of your personal data (title, name, surname, country, professional information, social media accounts) will be published on the website of the event as well as on any communication material for the event. When submitting your application, you can choose whether your personal data should be published or not ('opt-in'). You can also inform the data controller at a different stage by using the Contact Information below and by explicitly specifying your request.

We may use third party IT tools to inform about and promote the meeting/event through widely used communication channels, including the social media. For detailed information about the use of social media by the Commission, see the Record of Processing DPR-EC-00073.

No personal data is transmitted to parties, which are outside the recipients and the legal framework mentioned.

## **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 the Regulation, in particular the right to access your personal data and to rectify them in case your personal data are inaccurate or incomplete. Under certain conditions, you have the right to restrict or object the processing of your personal data, and the right to erase them.

If you would like to exercise your rights under the Regulation, please refer to the contact information list at point 9 below.

## **9. Contact Information**

### **Data Controller**

If you would like to exercise your rights under the Regulation, if you have comments, questions or concerns, regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the support team, operating under the responsibility of the Controller, using the following contact information:

Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture Directorate C – Innovation, International Cooperation and Sport

Unit C.2 - Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions

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[EAC-MSCA-COMMUNICATION@ec.europa.eu](mailto:EAC-MSCA-COMMUNICATION@ec.europa.eu)

### **Data Protection Officer of the Commission**

In case of issues related to the processing of your personal data, you may also contact the Data Protection Officer of the European Commission:

[DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu)

### **European Data Protection Supervisor**

In case conflicts related to the processing of your personal data, if you consider that your rights under the Regulation have been infringed, you have the right to file a complaint to the European Data Protection Supervisor: <https://edps.europa.eu/>.

## **10. More Information**

The Commission Data Protection Officer (DPO) publishes the register of all processing operations on personal data by the European Commission, which have been documented and notified to him. You may access the register via the following link: <https://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-1063.