

## **Privacy statement for the 2022 Lorenzo Natali Media Prize**

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

**Processing operation:** The 2022 Lorenzo Natali Media Prize (LNP)

**Data Controller:** Directorate – General for International Partnerships, Political Strategy and Communication Unit (INTPA.DG.02)

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### **1. Introduction**

The European Commission (hereafter ‘the Commission’ or ‘Data processor’) 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 may exercise in relation to your 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 specific privacy statement concerns the data processing operations undertaken by Directorate – General for International Partnerships (hereafter ‘DG INTPA’) - Political Strategy and Communication Unit, for the organisation, management and follow up to the Lorenzo Natali Media Prize (hereafter ‘the Prize’), a prize awarded by DG INTPA to journalists who report on development issues around the world.

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

Purpose of the processing operation: DG INTPA (also hereafter referred to as ‘Data Controller’) collects and uses your personal information to:

- ensure an adequate organization, management, follow-up, communication and promotion of the Prize, in particular, to verify that applicants respect all eligibility criteria, to determine the category of eligible participants, to select and contact the winner(s), and to organize the ceremony (if applicable),
- contact the winner of each category following the Jury meeting taking place in May of the year, and to publish the results of the selection procedure leading to the award of the Prize on the website: <https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/lnp>,
- establish a mailing list to mobilise a network of ambassadors to raise the profile of the Prize and for future promotion of the Prize.

Participants will introduce their personal data on an IT application of the European Commission called EU Survey or by submitting their application via e-mail.

Your personal data will not be used for any 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 exercise of official authority vested in the Union institution or body in the meaning of **Article 5(1)(a)** of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725. More specifically, Articles 4(4) and 208 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) provide that the Union shall have competence to carry out activities and conduct a common policy in the area of development cooperation. Within the European Commission, the Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA) is in charge of development policy in a wider framework of international cooperation. In addition, Article 15(1) TFEU foresees that in order to promote good governance and ensure the participation of civil society, the Union's institutions, bodies, offices and agencies shall conduct their work as openly as possible, while Article 11(1) of the Treaty on European Union stipulates that the institutions shall, by appropriate means, give citizens and representative associations the opportunity to make known and publicly exchange their views in all areas of Union action. The coordination and promotion of awareness on development policy are implemented by virtue of tasks deriving from the Commission’s institutional prerogatives in line with the Commission’s political priorities, and DG International Cooperation and Development's Communication Strategy.
- You are freely giving us your explicit consent under **Article 5(1)(d)** of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 to process your personal data for the specific purposes of establishing a mailing list to mobilise a network of ambassadors to raise the profile of the Prize, and for future promotion of the Prize. We process your personal data because you have given your consent to the processing of your personal data for the purpose of receiving the requested information. You

can freely give your consent via a clear affirmative act by ticking the optional box(es) on [the online application form](#). For Prize winners only: you are freely giving us your explicit consent to take and/or publish your pictures and interviews. Your consent can be withdrawn at any time by contacting the Data Controller (see contact details under Heading 9 below).

No restrictions under Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 apply.

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

1. Application to the Prize:
  - a. Name;
  - b. Contact details (e-mail address, nationality, telephone number, mobile telephone number, company and department, country of residence);
  - c. Information for the evaluation of eligibility criteria such as the applicant's date of birth, the country where the applicant's news outlet is headquartered, a writing sample, audio file or video file that has been published or broadcast between 10 March of the previous year and 9 March of the ongoing year. None of the personal information requested to assess eligibility will be made public.
2. Organisation of the award ceremony and communication with the winners:
  - a. Name of the winners;
  - b. Contact details of the winners (e-mail address, telephone number, mobile telephone number, company and department, country of residence);
  - c. For Prize winners only - bank account reference (IBAN and BIC codes), passport number or ID number. This information will be needed once the winners have been identified, to organise their coming to Brussels to receive their prize.
  - d. Photographs taken and interviews of the winners given before, in the lead-up to, and after the award ceremony to be used for communication and promotion purposes in the framework of European Commission activities.
3. Communication and promotion of the Prize:
  - a. Name of the winners;
  - b. Contact details of the winners (e-mail address, telephone number, mobile telephone number, company and department, country of residence);
  - c. Photographs taken and interviews of the winners given before, in the lead-up to, and after the award ceremony to be used for communication and promotion purposes in the framework of European Commission activities.
4. Data kept for mailing purposes (optional):
  - a. Name and email address.

Personal data for the application process will be collected through an online application form called EU Survey, which is an IT application of the European Commission.

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

- All personal data related to the application to the Prize will be kept for **two (2) years** from time of application for unsuccessful applicants and **five (5) years** from time of application for the winners.
- All personal data related to the organisation of the award ceremony and communications with the winners will be kept two **five (2) years** from the date of the award ceremony.
- Data collected for mailing purposes will be kept for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of collection, namely **until you unsubscribe from the mailing list**. You can request to be removed from the mailing list by writing to: [info@nataliprize.eu](mailto:info@nataliprize.eu). Depending on the technical solutions available, you can either write to the dedicated functional mailbox and ask to be unsubscribed from the mailing list or follow the unsubscribe link in the

information email you have received. Appropriate action shall be taken within a week of receiving the request.

- In cases where data is kept for statistical purposes, some subscribers' optional data may be kept for **five (5) years** after the un-subscription, providing these do not allow to identify the subscriber anymore and that these are available to a very restricted number of authorised persons performing the processing operation on a need-to-know basis, for the sole purposes of generating anonymised statistics – in line with Article 13 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

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

All personal data in electronic format (e-mails, documents, uploaded batches of data, etc.) are stored either 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 external contractors (hereafter 'Data Processor') 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 [Regulation \(EU\) 2016/679](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC ('GDPR' - General Data Protection Regulation).

The Data Processor will store participants' data on its own server, located in the European Union (Brussels), in a password protected file. The password will only be known by the team members working on the project to assess the eligibility of submissions and contact the Prize's winners. The Data Processor only communicates personal data via a secured FTP to the Data Controller. The Data Processor will extract the personal data and store it on a secured server with limited access.

In order to protect your personal data, the Commission has put in place a number of technical and organisational measures in place. 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 and to authorised staff according to the "need to know" principle. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

The Data Processor (also referred hereafter as 'Commission's contractors') will have full access to applicants' personal data submitted via the EU Survey form.

The Commission's external contractors are Tipik and BCW. Your personal data are disclosed to TIPIK and BCW because they will perform processing operations on behalf of DG INTPA for the purposes of testing the website of the Data Controller, as well as to assess eligibility of applicants, interact with the participants and winners of the Prize. The Commission's external contractors are bound by confidentiality clauses under a contract or legal act.

The Commission's external contractors will process the following personal data: e-mail address, nationality, telephone number, mobile telephone number, company and department, country of residence.

The Commission's external contractors will share the participants' applications with four journalism schools (Vesalius College, Belgium; Université Saint Joseph, Lebanon; Universidad de Navarra, Spain; Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Portugal) and Jury members to assess their quality and select the winners. No personal data will be shared with the journalism schools or the Grand Jury.

EU Survey uses session "cookies" in order to ensure communication between the client and the server. Therefore, the user's browser must be configured to accept "cookies". The cookies disappear once the session has been terminated; local storage to save copies of the inputs of a participant to a survey in order to have a backup if the server is not available during submission or the user's computer is switched off accidentally or any other cause. The local storage contains the IDs of the questions and the draft answers. Once an applicant has submitted one's answers successfully to the server or has successfully saved a draft on the server, the data is removed from the local storage.

Personal data of the winners will be used to organise their coming to Brussels to receive their prize and during the Award Ceremony organised during the European Development Days (EDD). The winners of the Prize (full name and link to winning report, whether article, video or audio) will be communicated on DG INTPA's [website](#) and on its official social media channels ([Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [LinkedIn](#)).

## **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 are inaccurate or incomplete. Where applicable, 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, which is lawfully carried out pursuant to Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on grounds relating to your particular situation.

You have consented to provide your personal data to the data controller for some of the processing operations described above. You can withdraw your consent at any time by notifying the Data Controller using the contact details mentioned in Heading 9 below. The withdrawal of your consent 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.

## **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,

INTPA.02 Political strategy and communication unit: [INTPA-LNP-2022@ec.europa.eu](mailto:INTPA-LNP-2022@ec.europa.eu)

- **The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission**

You may contact the Data Protection Officer ([DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu)) 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](mailto: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>.

This specific processing operation has been included in the DPO's public register with the following Record reference: DPR-EC-12868

You may also consult the EU Survey privacy statement available here: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/home/privacystatement>. Corresponding record for the EU Survey is included in the DPO's public register with the following Record reference: [DPR-EC-01488](#).