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## **PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA**

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

**Processing operation:** Workshop on Energy use in the Wireless ECS Sector, monitoring, assessing and reducing its impact on the climate; Regulating for the future

Data Controller: European Commission, DG Connect, Unit B.4

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#### 1. Introduction

The European 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 of the European Parliament and of the Council 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 reason for the processing of your personal data in the context of Workshop on Energy use in the Wireless ECS Sector, monitoring, assessing and reducing its impact on the climate; Regulating for the future. It explains 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.

The information in relation to processing operation Workshop on Energy use in the Wireless ECS Sector, monitoring, assessing and reducing its impact on the climate; Regulating for the future, undertaken by CNECT Unit B.4, is presented below.

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

<u>Purpose of the processing operation</u>: CNECT Unit B.4 collects and may further process your personal data to provide you with information about the Workshop on Energy use in the Wireless ECS Sector, monitoring, assessing and reducing its impact on the climate; Regulating for the future (before, during and after) in order to enable your participation in that workshop.

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?

The processing operations on personal data, linked to the organisation, management, follow-up and promotion of the workshop (including web-streaming, photos, audio-visual recording, the use of video conferencing services) are necessary for the management and functioning of the Commission, as mandated by the Treaties. Those provisions are in particular, Article 11 of the Treaty on European Union and Article 15 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. Consequently, those processing operations are lawful under Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 (processing is 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).

More specifically, the objective of all processing activities related to WebEx is to support the management and the functioning of the European Commission, by adjusting the internal mechanisms and management systems to the new technological environment and advancements, by providing to EC Staff the necessary means and tools to perform their daily tasks and by organizing EC's operations according to the principles of sound financial management. Article 33.1 (a)(b) and (c) of the

Regulation 2018/1046 that refers to the performance and principles of economy, efficiency and effectiveness is also applicable here. The use of WebEx conferencing services are also in line with the EC's Digital Strategy 2018 for a modern and digital working environment, including unified communication with advanced video-conferencing.

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

When using web conferencing services: the following categories of personal data of the
participants may be collected: Participant identifiers; workshop Content (Participants' names
list (available to participants only during the workshop); Session identifier (determined by the
system, only on anonymised reports); Date of session (determined by user decision, only on
anonymised reports)

### 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.

For each of the categories of personal data that are processed, please find below the retention details and the reference to the relevant record of processing:

No personal data related to the organisation and management of the workshop (this includes
the information given during the registration, before, during or after the event) will be saved
or processed after the last action in relation to the workshop. This will be no longer than 5
years after the date of the workshop.

When using third party IT services during a virtual conference or event, the European
Commission keeps your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of
collection or further processing, namely for the duration of the conference and for an
additional period of no longer than 5 years in an anonymised format (Conference identifier,
start time and duration) (see Data Protection DPR-EC-05006 "Service de Web Conference
(Webex)"

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

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

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 is provided to the Commission staff responsible 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.

## **Third Party IT Tools during Video Conferencing**

Please note that this as this is a virtual meeting, a third-party IT service will used to run the meeting.

When using third party IT services during a virtual conference or event, the European Commission keeps your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of collection or further processing, namely for the duration of the conference and for an additional period of up to 5 years in an anonymised format (Conference identifier, start time and duration).

The content of the video/audio conference (documents, links, files etc.) will be deleted after the termination of the session.

The following categories of personal data of the participants are collected:

- Participant identifier (mainly email address, but potentially some other parameters)
- Conference Content (available to participants only at Conference duration)
- Participants' names list (available to participants only at Conference duration)
- Session identifier (determined by the system, only on anonymised reports)
- Date of session (determined by user decision, only on anonymised reports)
- Duration of the session (determined by user decision, only on anonymised reports)

The main recipient of the personal data is the conference's organiser who should identify the external participants. The organiser, by service definition, is part of EC staff. Participants are recipients as well of the contents during the duration of the session. The main organiser can take the decision of a local meeting recording, in such scenario a recording alert is shown to all participants.

### **International transfers**

Your personal data might be transferred to the following recipients in third countries due to the use of WebEX:

- Potential transfers to the United Kingdom are based on an <u>adequacy decision</u> (Article 47 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725): Commission Implementing Decision, of 28.6.2021, pursuant to

- Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the adequate protection of personal data by the United Kingdom;
- Potential transfers to the United States are based on <u>appropriate safeguards</u> (Article 48 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725), namely Standard data protection clauses adopted by the Commission.

For more information, please see Data Protection Record DPR-EC-05006 (Service de Web Conference (Webex).

### 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 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, DG Connect, Unit B.4, <a href="mailto:cnect-RSPG@ec.europa.eu">cnect-RSPG@ec.europa.eu</a>.

# - 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 European Commission, which have been documented and notified to him. You may access the register via the following link: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register">http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register</a>.