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## PRIVACY STATEMENT

### Processing of personal data in the context of events, meetings and related communications

#### 1. Introduction

The protection of your personal data is of high importance to the Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS JU). SNS JU is committed to respecting and protecting your personal data and ensuring your rights as a data subject.

All personal data processed in the framework of SNS JU events, meetings and related communications, namely data that can identify you directly or indirectly, will be handled fairly, lawfully and with due care.

This processing operation is subject to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725. The present privacy statement is provided pursuant to Articles 15 and 16 of that Regulation.

#### 2. Controller

The controller for this processing operation is:  
Smart Networks and Services Joint Undertaking (SNS JU)  
Avenue de la Toison d'Or 56-60  
1060 Brussels, Belgium  
Email: [data-protection@sns-ju.eu](mailto:data-protection@sns-ju.eu)

SNS JU has appointed a Data Protection Officer (DPO), who can be contacted at the same address.

#### 3. Purpose of the processing

Personal data are processed for the organisation and management of SNS JU events, meetings and related activities, including:

- registration and participation management
- organisation of meetings (physical, virtual or hybrid)
- logistical arrangements (including travel and accommodation where applicable)
- preparation and distribution of agendas, minutes and documentation
- communication with participants before, during and after events

- dissemination of information related to SNS JU activities (including newsletters where applicable)
- collection of feedback through surveys or similar tools
- publication of event-related content (e.g. presentations, recordings, web streaming)

#### 4. Categories of data subjects

The processing concerns:

- participants in SNS JU events and meetings
- speakers, moderators and organisers
- individuals interacting with SNS JU in the context of event-related communications

#### 5. Personal data processed and legal basis

##### Personal data processed

Depending on the specific activity, SNS JU may process:

- identification data (name, surname, gender or nationality if requested for reporting requirements)
- contact details (email address, telephone number, postal address)
- Professional information (organisation, position, affiliation)
- logistical information (travel and accommodation details where relevant)
- audio-visual data (photos, video or sound recordings)
- survey responses and feedback
- in specific cases, health-related information (e.g. dietary requirements, accessibility needs)

##### Legal basis

Processing is based on:

- Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 (task carried out in the public interest)
- Article 5(1)(d) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 (consent), in particular for:
  - photographs, recordings and publication
  - optional data provided through surveys
  - specific categories of personal data where applicable

Special categories of personal data (e.g. health data) are processed in accordance with Article 10 of the Regulation, where necessary and/or based on explicit consent.

#### 6. Source of the data

Personal data are:

- provided directly by data subjects (e.g. registration forms, surveys)
- obtained from publicly available sources or internal databases where relevant
- provided by third parties authorised to share such data (e.g. event organisers or partners)

#### 7. Recipients of the data

Access to personal data is granted on a need-to-know basis to:

- authorised SNS JU staff involved in event organisation and communication
- external service providers and contractors supporting events (e.g. logistics, IT tools), under appropriate data protection arrangements
- European Commission services or other EU bodies where required

Event-related content (e.g. participant lists, minutes, recordings, presentations) may be shared with participants and, where applicable, made publicly available.

## 8. Transfers to third countries

In principle, personal data are processed within the European Economic Area (EEA).

Where processing involves service providers located outside the EEA, transfers are carried out in accordance with Articles 46–49 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 and subject to appropriate safeguards.

## 9. Data retention

Personal data are retained:

- for a maximum period of **5 years**, or
- until the withdrawal of consent, where processing is based on consent

Survey data may be retained for shorter periods (e.g. until aggregation of results), depending on the purpose.

At the end of the retention period, data are securely deleted.

## 10. Security measures

SNS JU implements appropriate technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of security appropriate to the risk, including:

- secure IT systems and controlled access rights
- role-based access to data
- confidentiality obligations for staff and contractors
- monitoring and protection of IT infrastructure

## 11. Rights of data subjects

Under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, you have the right to:

- access your personal data
- rectify inaccurate or incomplete data
- request erasure of your data
- request restriction of processing
- object to processing
- withdraw your consent at any time (where applicable)
- not be subject to automated decision-making

Requests can be addressed to: [data-protection@sns-ju.eu](mailto:data-protection@sns-ju.eu)

SNS JU will reply within one month, which may be extended in complex cases.

## 12. Complaints

If you consider that your rights have been infringed, you may contact the SNS JU DPO.

You also have the right to lodge a complaint with the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS):

European Data Protection Supervisor

Rue Wiertz 60

B-1047 Brussels

Email: [edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)

## 13. Further information

The SNS JU public register of processing activities is available at:  
<https://smart-networks.europa.eu/data-protection-declaration/>