

## DATA PROTECTION NOTICE – Selection and management of external experts (selected experts) PO-2-02-a)

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*Selection and management of external experts (selected experts) involves processing of personal data, which shall comply with Regulation (EU) N° 2018/1725<sup>1</sup> (the “Regulation”).*

This data protection notice explains how the Europe’s Rail Joint Undertaking (here after referred to as EU-RAIL) uses any information you give to us, and the way we protect your privacy. Furthermore, it describes the rights you have as a data subject and how you can exercise these rights.

EU-Rail protects the fundamental rights and freedoms of natural persons and in particular their right to privacy with respect to the processing of personal data.

We provide the following information based on Article 15 of the Regulation.

### What is the purpose of the processing?

- Personal data is collected for the selection and the management (including reimbursements of expenses and payment where appropriate) of independent experts appointed by EU-RAIL to advise on or assist with: the evaluation of proposals, the monitoring of the implementation of actions carried out under Horizon 2020 as well as of previous Research and/or Innovation Programmes, advice or assistance with other tasks related to EU-RAIL activities.

### Which personal data do we process?

Personal data:

- Profession
- Education
- Personal characteristics
- Financial information
- Personal details

### Why do we process your personal data and under what legal basis?

Personal data:

- Legal obligation Article 5 b) of Regulation 2018/1725
- Public Interest Article 5 a) of Regulation 2018/1725

### Who is the controller and other actors involved in the processing?

Controller: The Europe’s Rail Joint Undertaking, legally represented by Mr Giorgio Travaini, Executive Director, White Atrium building – 2nd floor, 56-60 Avenue de la Toison d’Or 1060 St Gilles, Bruxelles.

Processor(s) of personal data:

- EC external service providers (contractors or subcontractors) under direct or framework service procurement contracts

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<sup>1</sup> Regulation (EU) N° 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, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (“EUDPR”).

Joint controller(s):

- Research Executive Agency

### **How is EU-Rail processing the personal data?**

See the EU-Rail Data Protection & Legal Notices web page for more information

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

- Data kept according to the security measures adopted by the European Commission
- Access control and technical measures such as physical locks and/or secure connections and firewalls
- Obligation of confidentiality of the staff
- Standard clause for the processing of personal data included in the contract
- Staff dealing with this processing operation is designated on a need-to-know basis
- Automated system (Grants management)
- Appropriate technical and organisational security measures, giving due regard to the risks inherent in the processing and to the nature of the personal data concerned

### **Who can access to your personal data and to whom is it disclosed?**

The following might have access to your personal data:

- European Commission and its services: Research Executive Agency via the H2020 Participant Portal
- EU-Rail Executive Director
- EU-RAIL Staff members: IP Coordinators
- EU-RAIL Staff members: Staff participating in the selection of external experts
- External evaluators or experts assisting the EU-RAIL

## What are your rights and how can you exercise them?

You have the right of access to your personal data and to relevant information concerning how we use it. You have the right to rectify your personal data. Under certain conditions, you have the right to ask that we delete your personal data or restrict its use. You have the right to object to our processing of your personal data, on grounds relating to your particular situation, at any time. In addition, you have the right not to be subject to a decision based solely on automated processing of data, including profiling, if such decision has legal effect on him or her, except for certain situations, such as entering into a contract (as required by articles 14-16 & 24 of EU DPR Regulation).

Information on action taken on the data subject's request to exercise her/his rights shall be provided without undue delay and in any case within one month of receipt of the request. In case of complex or voluminous requests, this period may be extended by another two months, in which case the JU will inform the data subject.

In case data subjects wish to exercise their rights, they should send an email to the EU-Rail Data Protection Officer at [data-protection@rail-research.europa.eu](mailto:data-protection@rail-research.europa.eu).

## How to withdraw your consent and the consequences of doing this

Data subjects have the right to withdraw their consent at any time by sending a written request to the above-mentioned email address. Please note that withdrawing your consent does not affect the lawfulness of any processing based on your consent before this consent is withdrawn.

*Possible restrictions as laid down in Article 25 of the EU DPR Regulation can apply.*

## How long is the data retained?

- 10 years after end of contract: Profession, Education, Personal characteristics, Financial information, Personal details

## Complaints, concerns and recourse

Should you have any complaint or concern you may contact:

- the Data Protection Officer of *EU-Rail* at [data-protection@rail-research.europa.eu](mailto:data-protection@rail-research.europa.eu)

In addition, as a data subject, you have a right to recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) at any time by e-mail to [edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu) or a letter to the EDPS postal address marked for the attention of the EDPS DPO:

European Data Protection Supervisor, Rue Wiertz 60, B-1047 Brussels, Belgium

For more information on the EDPS, please consult their website: <https://edps.europa.eu>

## Additional information

More information on Data Protection at the EU-Rail can be obtained in the [Data Protection Register](#) and in the [privacy notices](#) published in the EU-Rail web site.