"Consultations for a study on exploring the possible employment implications of connected and automated driving"

Referred to as "consultation" in the text

Introduction

This privacy statement explains the reason for the processing, 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 (*the right to access, rectify, block etc.*).

The European institutions are committed to protecting and respecting your privacy. As this service/application collects and further processes personal data, Regulation $(2018)1725^1$ is applicable, referred to as the Regulation.

This privacy statement concerns the consultation above, undertaken by Directorate-General Research and Innovation (*DG RTD*), hereinafter referred as the operating DG or Data Controller.

Why do we process your data?

<u>Purpose of the processing operation</u>: DG RTD (*referred to hereafter as Data Controller*) collects contributions on a specific topic and, eventually, publishes them through different means (*the Internet, Commission's publications, meetings etc.*).

Only further to your explicit prior consent (e.g. provided in the consultation's questionnaire published on line or circulated by email), your identity and contact details data collected in this context will become part of a database, with the purpose of facilitating the interaction between the EC and its stakeholders in their areas of interest. A specific record covers this optional part of the processing (record DPR-EC-00709 on communication and mass mailings).

Lawfulness of the processing operations:

The processing operations of personal data in the context of consultations are necessary and lawful under article 5(a) of the Regulation.

In addition, the possible disclosure and/or publication of:

- Your identify as respondent;
- Your answers to the consultation;

¹ Regulation 2018/1725 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 (*OJ L 295 of 21 November 2018*).

Are conditioned upon your prior agreement (Art. 5(d) of the Regulation).

Your consent is required for:

- Your registration in a database of stakeholders for receiving future news, invitations to meetings, to answer surveys, and other communications of the Data Controller;
- Using your answers to this consultation for the study.

The publication of aggregated or anonymised data does not fall within the scope of the Regulation.

Which data do we collect and process?

Only data necessary for the participation to the consultation are collected and processed, namely: title, first name, family name, organisation, department/service, organisation's geographic area of activity, street and number, country, postal code, city, phone, fax, e-mail address, data subject's categories they represent, language, age group and contributions to the consultation.

How long do we keep your data?

The Data Controller only keeps the data for as long as follow-up actions to the consultation are necessary with regard to the purpose(s) of the processing of personal data.

Reports containing personal data will be archived according to the Commission's legal framework.

If you have given your explicit prior-consent for this, your personal data will be part of a list of contact details shared internally amongst the staff of the Data Controller for the purpose of contacting you in the future in the context of the Commission activities.

How do we protect your data?

All data in electronic format (*e-mails, uploaded batches of data, etc.*) are stored either on the servers of the European Commission, the operations of which abide by the European Commission's security decision of 10 January 2017^2 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission, or of its contractor(s).

The Commission's contractors are bound by a specific contractual clause for any processing operations of your data on behalf of the Commission, and by the confidentiality obligations

² Commission Decision (*EU, Euratom*) 2017/46 of 10 January 2017 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission (*OJ L 6 of 11 January 2018, p. 40-51*)

deriving from the transposition of the General Data Protection Regulation in the EU Member States ('GDPR' <u>Regulation (EU) 2016/679</u>³).

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.

Who has access to your data and to whom is it disclosed?

The Data Controller and its processors (*if any*) will have access to your answers to this consultation.

In addition, and only further to your explicit prior consent, some of your personal data could be published on the Internet or transmitted to other EU Institutions or bodies (*cf. list in 3*).

The information we collect will not be given to any third party, except to the extent and for the purpose we may be required to do so by law.

What are your rights and how can you exercise them?

You are entitled to access your personal data and rectify, block or delete it in case the data is inaccurate or incomplete.

You can exercise your rights by contacting the Data Controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer, and if necessary the European Data Protection Supervisor using the contact information given in point 8 below.

Contact information

If you have comments or questions, any concerns or a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller using the following contact information:

The Data Controller:

- DG RTD, Unit C5;
- Phone number: +32 229-89592;
- Mailbox address: Nikolaos.GAVANAS@ec.europa.eu

³ 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.

The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission: DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu.

The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS): edps@edps.europa.eu.

Where to find more detailed information?

The Commission Data Protection Officer publishes the register of all operations processing personal data. You can access the register on the following link: http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register.

This specific processing has been notified to the DPO with the following reference: record DPR-EC-01939 (*legacy notification DPO-2690*).