

Information on the processing of personal data pursuant to Articles 13 and 14 of the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)¹

ERA-ENVHEALTH Open Conference 2026 – One Health for Sustainable Cities

1. Data processor and controller – contact data:

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¹ REGULATION (EU) 2016/679 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 27 April 2016 on the protection of the public with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR)

Our official data protection officer, Mr Udo Langhoff, is available at udo.langhoff@uba.de or 030/8903-5141.

2. Processing framework

Categories of data collected

In accordance with Articles 13 and 14 of GDPR, we collect and process personal data in the following categories for events organisation and participant management:

First name, surname, company, institution, position, phone number, email.

As we will have a hybrid event, a web conferencing tool is used, the following personal data of online participants may be subject to processing.

Registration on the event website:

- User details: first name, surname, phone (optional), email, institution
- IP address and date and time of registration

Visit to/use of the event website:

- Access data: e.g. an individualised link that participants can use to dial into the online event.
- Meeting metadata: topic, participant IP addresses, device/hardware information (e.g. date and time of access, browser type and version, operating system) if applicable.
- For recordings (optional): files of all video, audio and presentation recordings and online chat.
- Text data: you may have the opportunity to use chat, question or survey functions during the event. Your text entries will be processed for display purposes and, if necessary, recorded during the online event.
- Video and audio playback: data from the microphone and any video camera on the terminal device may be processed during the event to enable the display of video and playback of audio. You can turn off the camera or the microphone or mute the latter yourself at any time.
- Support/feedback data: information related to any troubleshooting or feedback.

When dialling in by telephone:

- Specification of incoming and outgoing call numbers, country names, start and end times.

Origin of the collected data

The data we have collected comes from a direct survey in accordance with Article 13 of GDPR (via a registration form).

Purpose of processing

In addition to its purely scientific work, the German Environment Agency has the task of maintaining contacts for scientific research and organising conferences, specialist events, online or hybrid workshops, etc. in accordance with Section 2 Article 2 of the Establishment Act. The German Environment Agency also organises events within the scope of the enforcement tasks assigned to it. In fulfilling these tasks, the

German Environment Agency collects and processes personal data which is required among others for compiling lists of participants and for the organisation, registration, postprocessing and accounting of the event. In addition, personal data is used to create name and table badges and in some cases, address data may be used for inviting participants to follow-up events. Personal data is also processed when using conferencing tools. What this may include is listed under 'Categories of data collected'.

For the digital implementation of the event, the German Environment Agency uses the web conferencing tool "WebEx".

The address of the provider is <https://www.webex.com/>.

You can find the provider's exact privacy policy here:

<https://help.webex.com/en-us/article/nv2hm53/Webex-Security-and-Privacy?tab=support>

The German Environment Agency also processes personal data for the fulfilment of the tasks assigned to it by law. The processing of personal data serves the following purposes for the present procedure: Organising the above-mentioned conference only.

Legal basis

The German Environment Agency processes personal data based on Article 6(1) (e) GDPR and Section 3 of the German Data Protection Act (BDSG), according to which processing is permitted if it is necessary for the performance of a task in the public interest or if it is carried out in the exercise of official authority assigned to the German Environment Agency.

The German Environment Agency processes personal data – particularly in the area of its research tasks – alternatively on the basis of consent pursuant to Article 6(1)(a) GDPR.

In individual cases, the German Environment Agency also processes personal data as a contracting party under civil law. The legal basis in this respect is Article 6(1)(b) GDPR in conjunction with the respective contract.

Recipient categories

In the performance of its duties in the public interest, the German Environment Agency transmits personal data in individual cases to other public bodies in Germany or the states (Länder) and to contractors of the German Environment Agency. Contractors may, for example, be companies that provide IT services to the German Environment Agency, are involved in research projects, provide printing services or take on shipping tasks. In these cases, agreements are concluded on order processing. It is always checked whether data transmission is necessary in this sense.

We are required by the Federal Press Office (Bundespresseamt), the meeting venue, to provide the names of registered on-site participants alongside with information on the institution they are working 7 days before the event will take place. The personal data we provide to the Federal Press Office will be processed by the Press and Information Office (BPA), Division 110 – Security. The purpose of this processing is solely to ensure the security of the BPA's premises, its employees and its visitors. The legal basis for the processing is Article 6(1)(e) of the GDPR in conjunction with Section 3 of the Federal Data Protection Law: The processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out by the Press and Information Office of the Federal Government in the public interest, and is carried out in the exercise of official authority vested in the BPA. Deletion: The data will be deleted as soon as it is no longer required to fulfil the purpose for which it was collected. We expressly draw your attention to your rights as a data subject under Article 15 of the GDPR (right of access). The Federal Press Office will delete the list afterwards.

Storage period

Your data will be used for the specific event and will only be retained for as long as it is required.

Participant data (list of participants and signatures) will be stored at the German Environment Agency for budgetary reasons for 10 years.

In addition, the data collected will be used for creating distribution lists relevant to the event insofar as you have agreed to its use for distribution lists. The data will be stored until revoked.

The Federal Press Office is also obligated to delete the data of on-site participants soon after the conference as mentioned under the section “recipient categories”.

3. Rights of data subjects

The German Environment Agency is responsible for the processing of personal data both within the framework of fulfilling tasks in the public interest and as a contracting party under civil law. Data subjects therefore have the following rights under the GDPR:

Right of access – Article 15 GDPR

Through the right of access, the data subjects have comprehensive insight into the data which concerns them and some other important criteria such as the purposes of the processing or the duration of storage. The exceptions to this right regulated in Section 34 BDSG apply.

Right to rectification – Article 16 GDPR

The right to rectification includes the possibility for the data subject to have inaccurate personal data corrected.

Right to erasure – Article 17 GDPR

The right to erasure includes the possibility for the data subject to have data deleted by the controller. However, this is only possible if the personal data concerning them is no longer necessary, is processed unlawfully or if consent has been revoked. The exceptions to this right regulated in Section 35 BDSG apply.

Right to restriction of processing – Article 18 GDPR

The right to restrict processing includes the possibility for the data subject to first prevent further processing of personal data concerning them. A restriction occurs primarily during the examination phase of other rights exercised by the data subject.

Right to data portability – Article 20 GDPR

The right to data portability includes the possibility for the data subject to obtain the personal data concerning them from the controller in a commonly used, machine-readable format, in order to have them transferred to another controller if necessary. However, pursuant to Article 20(3)(2) GDPR, this right is not available if the data processing serves the performance of tasks carried out in the public interest. This does not apply at the German Environment Agency only if the processing of personal data is carried out for fiscal purposes.

Right to object – Article 21 GDPR

The right to object includes the possibility for data subjects in a particular situation to object to the further processing of their personal data, insofar as this is justified by the exercise of public functions or public or private interests. According to Section 36 BDSG, this right does not apply if a public body is obligated by law to process personal data.

Right to withdraw consent – Article 7(3) GDPR

In addition, you have the right to revoke your consent within the meaning of Article 6(1)(a) or Article 9(2)(a) GDPR at any time without affecting the legality of the processing carried out on the basis of your consent until revocation.

4. The right to lodge a complaint

Pursuant to Article 77 GDPR, every data subject has the right to lodge a complaint with the competent data protection supervisory authority. The competent data protection supervisory authority for the German Environment Agency is the Federal Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information, Graurheindorfer Str. 153, D-53117 Bonn, Germany, Tel. 00/49/228/997799-0, poststelle@bfdi.bund.de, www.bfdi.de.

5. Necessity of data processing

The processing of personal data by the German Environment Agency is directly related to the performance of its duties in the public interest. The personal data is collected for the purpose of organising the above-mentioned conference only, i.e. for registration purposes.