



Data Protection Notice

“Whoiswho” – Publications Office – Official Directory of the European Union

In accordance with the Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 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 data¹ (‘the Regulation’), the Research Executive Agency (‘the Agency’ or ‘REA’) collects your personal information only to the extent necessary to fulfil a precise purpose related to our tasks.

1. WHY DO WE COLLECT YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

The Publications Office uses your personal information for publication in the EU Whoiswho, <https://publications.europa.eu/en/web/who-is-who>.

The processing operation consists of making publicly available the list of staff working for REA in the official directory of the European Union (EU Whoiswho), for reasons of transparency and public interest (and to allow European citizens and professional bodies to consult REA’s organisational set-up and corresponding staff.)

Personal data will not be used for any automated decision-making or profiling.

2. WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS PROCESS?

The controller is the European Research Executive Agency (REA), represented by its Director. For organisational reasons, the role of the data controller has been entrusted by the Director to the delegated controller and is exercised by REA D.2 “People and Workplace.” The data controller may be contacted at: REA-HR@ec.europa.eu

Data Processor: Publication Office of the European Union. The data processor may be contacted at INFO@publications.europa.eu

3. WHAT IS THE LEGAL BASIS TO COLLECT YOUR DATA?

The 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 (Article 5(1)(a) of the Regulation);

Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/173 of 12 February 2021 establishing the European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency, the European Health and Digital Executive Agency, the European Research Executive Agency, the European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency, the European Research Council Executive Agency, and the European Education and Culture Executive Agency

¹ Regulation (EU) 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 (OJ L 295/39 of 21.11.2018).

and repealing Implementing Decisions 2013/801/EU, 2013/771/EU, 2013/778/EU, 2013/779/EU, 2013/776/EU and 2013/770/EU;

The mandate of the Publications Office, Decision 2009/496/EC, Euratom of the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission, the Court of Justice, the Court of Auditors, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions of 26 June 2009 on the organisation and operation of the Publications Office of the European Union.

4. WHICH PERSONAL DATA ARE COLLECTED?

The EU WhoisWho is the official directory of the European Union. It is a directory of staff members at all EU institutions, bodies and agencies.

The Publications Office processes and makes public the following personal data: surname and abbreviated first name (full first name for Head of Entity staff – Director, Head of Department, Head of Unit and Head of Sector); personal title (Ms/Mr), professional title, telephone number and affiliation of staff to a particular unit and sector in REA.

The Agency's work address (building), corporate e-mail contact address and central telephone number are listed.

The data of REA statutory staff are transmitted on a regular basis to the Publications Office database via an automatic extraction from ComRef.

All personal data in electronic format are stored on the servers of the European Commission. All processing operations are carried out pursuant to the Commission Decision (EU, Euratom) 2017/46 of 10 January 2017 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission.

In order to protect your personal data, the Commission has put in place a number of technical and organisational measures. Technical measures include appropriate safeguards to protect 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.

The Publication Office performs a data extraction for the data outlined above from ComRef in order to create an updated Whoiswho.

5. WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

a. WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE DATA WITHIN THE AGENCY?

The data is accessible to all persons within REA.

b. WHO WILL HAVE ACCESS TO THE DATA OUTSIDE THE AGENCY?

The Publication Office performs a data extraction for the data outlined above from ComRef in order to create an updated Whoiswho.

Once published, the data are publicly available on <https://publications.europa.eu/en/web/who-is-who>.

As publicly available information, it can be accessed from third countries and/or international organisations.

6. HOW LONG DO WE KEEP YOUR PERSONAL DATA?

The Publications Office keeps your personal data for the time necessary to maintain an up-to-date directory of EU staff in the EU Whoiswho. If you change your position within the EU services, this will be reflected after a short delay in the EU Whoiswho. If you leave the EU services, your personal data will disappear from the online EU Whoiswho after a short delay.

In addition to the EU Whoiswho website, the Publications Office also produces:

- An annual complete directory version (PDF), which is kept in the Archive section of the site (<https://op.europa.eu/en/web/who-is-who/archive>) and other historical versions of the Whoiswho may be retained for historical purposes;
- Bi-monthly extracts per EU institution (PDF). As these are updated regularly, each new version overwrites the previous one (which is not archived).
- The data of the EU Whoiswho is available for download from the EU Open Data Portal (<http://data.europa.eu/euodp/en/home>).

The personal data are archived in a non-public database, from which it will be deleted for non-political important persons (PIP) (e.g. EU staff not in a management position).

7. WHAT ARE YOUR RIGHTS?

You may have access to your personal data and may exercise your right of information / access / rectification / erasure / restriction / data portability / objection / withdrawal of consent by contacting the data controller at: REA-HR@ec.europa.eu

Any request from a data subject to exercise a right will be dealt within one month from receipt of the request. This period may be extended pursuant to Article 14(3) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

Your right to information, access, rectification, erasure, restriction or objection to processing, communication of a personal data breach or due to confidentiality of electronic communications may be restricted only under certain specific conditions as set out in the applicable [Restriction Decision](#) in accordance with Article 25 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

The Commission Data Protection Officer (DPO) publishes the register of all processing operations on personal data by the Commission, which have been documented and notified to him. You may access the register via the following link: <http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register>.

This specific processing operation has been included in the DPO's public register with the following Record reference: DPR-EC-00447: <https://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register/detail/DPR-EC-00447>

8. CONTACT INFORMATION

In case you have any questions about the collection/processing of your personal data, you may contact the data controller who is responsible for this processing activity by using the following email address: REA-HR@ec.europa.eu

Further to the above, the following instances can be addressed to:

REA Data Protection Officer (DPO): REA-DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu

In case of conflict, complaints can be addressed to the European Data Protection Supervisor: EDPS@edps.europa.eu.