Privacy statement regarding the EIT Stakeholder Forum 2021

This privacy statement provides information relating to the processing of personal data by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) while managing the EIT Stakeholder Forum 2021 (Launch Event for EIT Strategic Innovation Agenda 2021-2027) hereafter referred to as “event”.

The processing of personal data of the data subjects follows the provisions of 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 data (hereinafter “Regulation”).

What is personal data and what is personal data processing?

**Personal data** shall mean any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (“data subject”). An identifiable person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

**Processing** means any operation or set of operations which is performed on personal data or on sets of personal data, whether or not by automated means, such as collection, recording, organisation, structuring, storage, adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making available, alignment or combination, restriction, erasure or destruction.

Who is the controller?

The data controller is the Head of Communications and Stakeholder Relations Unit of the EIT.

Who are the data subjects (in particular)?

Speakers and stakeholders participating in the event.

What is the purpose of the personal data processing?

On 14 June 2021, the event is organised to mark the launch of the EIT’s new strategy as part of the Horizon Europe framework programme for research and innovation. The event will be held under the auspice of the Portuguese Presidency of the Council of the European Union in a hybrid format:

- at the International Iberian Institute of Nanotechnology Laboratory (INL), in Braga, in Portugal and
- online (via the Hopin platform: https://hopin.com/privacy)

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Participation is free but registration is necessary.

The event is open to innovators, entrepreneurs and organisations from business, education and research who want to learn more about the EIT and the different opportunities to innovate with the EIT Community. It will be interactive, and participants will be able to join discussions through Q&As and social media.

The processing of the personal data is necessary for the following purposes:
- to register participants to the event;
- to ensure the efficient organisation and management of the event, including the management of participation list, invitations and follow-up activities;
- to include participants, following their consent, in the EIT Stakeholder Database.

Steps of registration:
- First of all, data subjects need to fill in the form available at: https://hopin.com/events/new-eit-strategy-to-power-europe-s-largest-innovation-network
- Then, they can register to the event by signing up with email and password, or by choosing one of the following ways: Google account, Facebook, Linkedin, SSO

**What types of personal data are processed?**

For the registration the following data are processed:
- Name of organisation
- Type of organisation
- Department/Unit
- Position in organisation
- Phone number (optional)
- Email address
- Consent to be included in the EIT Stakeholder Database in order to receive updates on EIT activities and news (yes or no).

In case a data subject decides to use this/her Google, Facebook etc. account to register, the data subject may consult the privacy statements of these companies for more information.

During the event the privacy statement of the Hopin platform is applicable.

**Who has access to the personal data of data subjects and to whom can they be disclosed?**

**Within the EIT:**

For the purposes indicated above, access to personal data is provided to the EIT Director, the responsible Head of Unit and EIT staff managing the event and the follow-up activities.

Access to the personal data may be granted to the Internal Auditor of the EIT by request if necessary for the performance of the duties of the Internal Auditor.
Within the Commission and other EU institutions/bodies/agencies:

Exceptionally for the purpose of handling review procedures and litigation, access to the personal data may be granted also to the European Ombudsman, the European Data Protection Supervisor, the General Court and the European Court of Justice to the extent necessary for handling the review procedure and litigation.

Third parties subject to the GDPR\textsuperscript{2} and third parties not subject to the GDPR:

Registration of participants to the EIT Stakeholder Forum 2021 and the management of the event will be made by the International Iberian Nanotechnology Institute Laboratory (INL) which acts as the processor of the EIT.

The privacy statement of the INL is available at https://inl.int/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/INL-Data-Protection-Regulation_REGDIR003.pdf, while the privacy statement of the Hopin platform is available at https://hopin.com/privacy.

**How long do we keep your data?**

Personal data will be kept for audit and follow-up purposes for a period of maximum 7 years after the Stakeholder Forum event.

After the above mentioned retention period the data relating to the event required for scientific or historical research purposes, statistical purposes should be kept in an anonymous form.

The audio and video recording of the event will be published on the EIT’s website.

The personal data of those participants who give consent to be added to the EIT Stakeholder Database shall be managed in accordance with our privacy statement on the EIT Stakeholder Database (https://eit.europa.eu/sites/default/files/stakeholder_database_privacy_statement_2019.pdf)

**What are the rights of the data subject?**

In accordance with Articles 15, 17, 18, 19 of the Data Protection Regulation of European Institutions the data subjects have the right for information, the right of access, the right of rectification in case their personal data is not complete or not accurate and the right to erasure (“right to be forgotten”).

Data subjects have the right to obtain the erasure of their personal data in accordance with Article 19 of the Regulation and in particular in the cases when the personal data are no longer necessary in relation to the purposes for which they were collected, if the data subject withdraws its consent, or in case of unlawful processing. This means that data subjects may opt out of the processing of their personal data.

Data subjects have also the **right to restriction** of processing of personal data in accordance with Article 20 of the Regulation, and the **right to object** on grounds listed in Article 23 of the Regulation.

The rights of the data subjects can be exercised from the registration period and until the personal data is retained.

The rights can be exercised by sending a request in a written form to eit-stakeholder-relations@eit.europa.eu. As a general rule, the requests for information, access, rectification, erasure restriction are handled without undue delay and in any event within 30 days of receipt of the request. This period may be extended by two further months, where necessary, taking into account the complexity and number of the request(s).

Restrictions to the rights of data subjects may be applied by the EIT, in accordance with Article 25 of the Data Protection Regulation of the European institutions and the EIT internal rules on restrictions.

**Who should be contacted in case of queries or complaints?**

You have the right of recourse at any time to the EIT’s Data Protection Officer (EIT-DPO@eit.europa.eu) and to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS@edps.europa.eu) or contact the site: http://www.edps.europa.eu/EDPSWEB/.

**Legal basis of the processing operation**

**General legal basis**

- Articles 2(11), 6(o) and Section 5 (6)(i) of Regulation (EU) 2021/819 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 on the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (recast);4

**Specific EIT legal basis**

- Decision 06/2021 of the Governing Board of the EIT on the on the adoption of the Final Single Programming Document (2021-2023) of the EIT6

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3 Currently under adoption. The final version will be published at the following link: https://eit.europa.eu/who-we-are/legal-framework/data-protection

4 OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p. 61–90

5 OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p. 91–118

6 Ref. Ares(2021)1558856 - 01/03/2021
Grounds for lawfulness

In line with Article 5(a) of Regulation No. (EU) 2018/1725, 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 EIT.