

Specific Privacy Statement

Public consultation on the preparation of the EU Adaptation Strategy

1. OBJECTIVE

This consultation seeks the views of the general public and targeted groups. Responses might be published on the Internet, under the responsibility of the Head of the Unit CLIMA.C3, Directorate-General Climate Action (hereafter called 'the Controller').

Because this online consultation collects and processes personal data, it is covered by Regulation (EC) 45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the EU institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data.

2. WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION DO WE COLLECT AND THROUGH WHICH TECHNICAL MEANS?

Identification Data

The personal data collected and further processed are data necessary for the participation in the consultation. They might include the name / surname / profession / postal & email addresses / phone number / fax number, etc of the contributors, including their views on the topics concerned. The personal data processing operations required for the purposes of this consultation are necessary for the management and functioning of the Commission, as specifically mandated by the Treaties, and more specifically Articles 5, 7 and 211-219 of the EC Treaty.

Technical information

The system uses session "cookies" in order to ensure communication between the client and the server. Therefore, your browser must be configured to accept "cookies". However, it does not collect personal or confidential information of any kind, nor any IP address from your PC. The cookies disappear once the session has been terminated. Your reply and personal data will be collected through an online form or by e-mail, then be processed by the Commission. The Commission's email system adheres to the security rules established by the Commission's Directorate of Security.

3. WHO HAS ACCESS TO YOUR INFORMATION AND TO WHOM IS IT DISCLOSED?

Some of the contributions received, might be published on the Internet, together with the contributor's identity, unless the contributor objects to publication of the personal data on the grounds that such publication would harm his or her legitimate interests. In this case the contribution may be published anonymously. If the contribution cannot be published, in principle, its content will not be taken

into account. Any objections concerning publication of personal data should be sent to the service responsible for the consultation (see Contact information below).

4. HOW DO WE PROTECT AND SAFEGUARD YOUR INFORMATION?

Your replies are recorded in a secured and protected database hosted by the Data Centre of the European Commission, whose operations adhere to the security rules, established by the Commission's Directorate of Security for this kind of servers and services. The database is not accessible from outside the Commission. Inside the Commission the database can be accessed using a UserId / Password. Access to the application is via a non-encrypted connection using the normal http protocol.

5. HOW CAN YOU VERIFY, MODIFY OR DELETE YOUR INFORMATION?

If you want to check which of your personal data is stored by the controller, or have it modified, corrected or deleted, please address an explicit request to the Controller (see Contact Information below).

6. HOW LONG DO WE KEEP YOUR DATA?

Your personal data will remain in the database until the results of the consultation have been fully analysed. It will be deleted from the database 3 years after the last action relating to the consultation. Your personal data will be part of a list of contact details shared internally amongst Commission staff, for the purpose of contacting you in the future in the context of the Commission's activities. If you do not agree to this, please address an explicit request to the Controller (see Contact Information below).

7. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you want to check which of your personal data is stored by the controller, or have it modified, corrected, or deleted, or if you have questions about the consultation, or concerning any information processed in the context of the consultation, or about your rights, please contact the Controller's support team,

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8. RECOURSE

Complaints can be addressed to the European Data Protection Supervisor:
<http://www.edps.europa.eu/>