

Privacy Statement regarding the processing of personal data in the context of ECHA's Consultations

What does the privacy statement cover?

ECHA organises consultations to gather feedback from all interested parties and to collect a comprehensive range of scientific information for the regulatory processes. In order to provide comments, certain personal data is required by the Agency. This privacy statement covers the personal data processed via ECHA's e-services (web forms) utilized for submitting comments within the "CONSULTATIONS" section of the ECHA website. These consultations may take different forms, such as Consultations, Calls for evidence, Calls for comments, etc.

What personal data do we collect, for what purpose and through which technical means?

The data collected to submit comments for consultations shall include:

- First Name and Family Name.
- Email Address.
- Address.
- Phone number.
- Country.
- Name of the company/organisation/authority.
- Type of organisation.
- Country where the organisation is legally established.
- Any attachments uploaded to submit a comment, such as *Public attachment*, *Confidential attachment*, etc.
- Any subjective data, opinions expressed and potentially additional personal data provided while filling a "comments" section.

Any personal data will be processed solely for the purpose of facilitating consultations and gathering feedback from stakeholders. These data enable ECHA to effectively manage and process comments submitted through the website's consultation forms.

What is the legal basis?

ECHA processes this personal data in the context of its statutory duties to perform consultations of third parties under the legal mandates it implements, such as the REACH Regulation, CLP Regulation, Biocidal Products Regulation, etc. In that sense, the personal data is lawfully processed by ECHA in line with Article 5.1(a), (b) and (d) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the processing of personal data.

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

Your personal data may be processed by ECHA, including its Committees, and/or the Member State Competent Authorities, as well as the European Commission and/or other relevant EU institutions, bodies or agencies for the purpose of implementing the REACH, CLP, BPR or PIC regulations and other relevant Community and Member State legislation. Your personal data will only be accessible to authorised staff on a strictly need to know basis.

In certain limited situations, which are separately indicated on the ECHA website, the Agency may make public (parts of) the data submitted to it for general transparency purposes.

How long are your personal data kept and how are they protected?

Your personal data will not be kept beyond the necessary timeframe to achieve the purposes stated above. More in particular, the data will be stored for as long as regulatory follow-up may be required.

ECHA's website and its databases are hosted by the European Chemicals Agency of the EU. It is protected by the IT security measures implemented by the Agency that ensure an adequate security level as concerns threats to electronic assets integrity, confidentiality and availability.

What are your rights?

You have the right to access and rectify the personal data submitted via these web forms at any time. Under certain conditions, a right to erasure, restriction, objection and/or data portability also applies. Finally, you also have the right to withdraw your consent for ECHA to process your personal data at any time, where applicable.

However, if you feel your Data Protection rights have been breached you can always file a complaint with ECHA's Data Protection Officer (data-protection-officer@echa.europa.eu) or have recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor.

Who is the data controller and how can I contact ECHA?

The Executive Director of the European Chemicals Agency shall exercise the tasks of the data controller for the purpose of these processing operations. To exercise the above-mentioned rights, you can contact ECHA via the [contact form](#) on ECHA's website. Please use the phrase "Exercising Data Protection rights" in the heading.