

# Privacy Statement for Legal Entity and Bank Account Validation

In line with Article 86 of the Financial Regulation, the departments of the Commission's Accounting Officer will keep your personal data in a common file and record them in the Commission's accounting system only to the extent necessary to process and account for financial and contractual relations you have or will have, directly or indirectly, with the Commission.

## Who collects your information?

Your personal data are collected by your contact in the Commission's Directorate General, Agency, European External Action Service or consultative body, who will then send them to the Commission accounting department to be recorded in a common file.

## Who has access to your information?

All authorised Commission, European External Action Service, consultative bodies and agencies users dealing with financial and accounting matters have access to your data, which may also be sent to the Internal Audit Service, the Court of Auditors, the Financial Irregularities Panel, the Anti-fraud Office and any other institution or entity responsible for audits or investigations.

## How do we protect and safeguard your information?

The data collected in the Commission's accounts can be accessed by designated officials and staff of the Commission, consultative bodies and agencies, using a user ID and password. A Service Level Agreement with the organisational entities charged with operational execution of the budget ensures a level of confidentiality and technical and organisational security that complies with data protection law.

## How can you check or amend your information?

If you wish to check or amend any of your personal data, exercising your rights under Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 2018/1725 on the protection of personal data and the processing thereof, you shall contact in writing the department in the institutions or agencies of the European Union to whom you have submitted such data, and which is responsible for their collection and transmission to the central file. You can also write to the Commission's data protection officer ([DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu)) if you have any difficulties or questions regarding the processing of your data.

Please note that recorded data is only amended on compelling grounds supported by documentary proof.

## How long do we keep your data?

To provide an audit trail and allow queries on past payments at all times, no recorded data are deleted from the accounts. The forms and documents you submit are archived electronically.

## Recourse

In case of disagreement with the Controller or Data Protection Officer concerning the processing of your personal data, you have the right to submit a complaint to the [European Data Protection Supervisor](#).