



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## **PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA**

**This privacy statement provides information about the processing and the protection of your personal data.**

**Processing operation:** *Catalog*

**Data Controller:** *DG SANTE, Unit G1 Plant Health*

**Record reference:** *DPR-EC-00468*

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## **1. Introduction**

The European Commission (hereafter 'the Commission') is committed to protect your personal data and to respect your privacy. The Commission collects and further processes personal data pursuant to [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 (repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001).

This privacy statement explains the reason for the processing of your personal data, the way we collect, handle and ensure protection of all personal data provided, how that information is used and what rights you have in relation to your personal data. It also specifies the contact details of the responsible Data Controller with whom you may exercise your rights, the Data Protection Officer and the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The information in relation to processing operation Common Catalogues of varieties of vegetable and agricultural plant species, undertaken by Directorate General Health and Food Safety, unit Plant Health, is presented below.

## **2. Why and how do we process your personal data?**

Purpose of the processing operation: CATALOG is a supportive tool for the compilation and publication of the Common Catalogues of varieties of vegetable and agricultural plant species foreseen by Council Directive 2002/53/EC and Council Directive 2002/55/EC. Publication of a variety in these catalogues is the condition to be fulfilled before seeds of this variety can be marketed throughout the EU. The processing of personal data of individuals designated as contact persons for a given national authority according to Council Directive 2002/53/EC and Council Directive 2002/55/EC is carried out for the purposes of managing the Common catalogues and allowing interested parties operating in the seed market to easily obtain information on the Catalogues and the listed varieties of vegetable and agricultural plant species.

Your personal data will not be used for an automated decision-making including profiling.

## **3. On what legal ground(s) do we process your personal data**

We process your personal data, because:

(a) 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;

(b) processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which the controller is subject (Council Directives 2002/53/EC and 2002/55/EC);

Processing is based on Articles 9, 10 and 17 of Council Directive 2002/53/EC and Council Directive 2002/55/EC (see above).

## **4. Which personal data do we collect and further process?**

In order to carry out this processing operation DG Health and Food Safety, Unit Plant Health, collects the following categories of personal data:

Contact persons in the national competent authorities responsible for compiling the national Catalogues of varieties of vegetable and agricultural plant species and for holding the list of names of the person(s) responsible for the maintenance of those varieties.

Description of the categories of data that will be processed:

Name, e-mail address and work address

**5. How long do we keep your personal data?**

DG Health and Food Safety, Unit Plant Health, only keeps your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of collection or further processing. Personal data stored in the CATALOG database will be deleted as soon as the Commission is notified that the person in question is no more recognized as being the official contact person for a given national competent authority.

Legitimate requests from data subjects will be dealt with within 15 working days as from receipt of the request.

**6. How do we protect and safeguard your personal data?**

All personal data in electronic format (e-mails, documents, databases, uploaded batches of data, etc.) are stored either 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 in place. Technical measures include appropriate actions to address 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. Organisational measures include restricting access to the personal data solely to authorised persons with a legitimate need to know for the purposes of this processing operation.

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

Access to your personal data is provided to the Commission staff responsible for carrying out this processing operation and to authorised staff according to the “need to know” principle. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

The data will be made publicly available on the DG SANTE website.

**8. What are your rights and how can you exercise them?**

You have specific rights as a ‘data subject’ under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, your personal data and to rectify them in case your personal data are inaccurate or incomplete. Where applicable, you have the right to erase your personal data, to restrict the processing of your personal data, to object to the processing, and the right to data portability.

You can exercise your rights by contacting the Data Controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer. If necessary, you can also address the European Data Protection Supervisor. Their contact information is given under Heading 9 below.

Where you wish to exercise your rights in the context of one or several specific processing operations, please provide their description (i.e. their Record reference(s) as specified under Heading 10 below) in your request.

## **9. Contact information**

### **- The Data Controller**

If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller, DG Health and Food Safety, unit Plant Health, [SANTE-G1-PLANT-HEALTH@ec.europa.eu](mailto:SANTE-G1-PLANT-HEALTH@ec.europa.eu) .

### **- The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission**

You may contact the Data Protection Officer ([DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu](mailto:DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu)) with regard to issues related to the processing of your personal data under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

### **- The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)**

You have the right to have recourse (i.e. you can lodge a complaint) to the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the Data Controller.

## **10. Where to find more detailed information?**

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-00468.