

Specific privacy statement

for the consultation on the EU biogeographical assessments of the Art 17 reported data (2019-2024)

Any personal data you submit to the EEA in the context of the consultation referred to above will be processed in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1275 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, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC.

Processing operations are under the responsibility of the Nature Reporting project managers in the EEA, acting as data controllers, with assistance from task managers of European Topic Center on Biodiversity and Ecosystems (ETC BE) and the project managers of the specific contract on habitats EU assessments of the Framework Contract Lot1, acting as processor on behalf of the EEA, regarding the collection and processing of personal data.

1. Purpose(s) of the processing

Your personal data are kept and further processed for the purpose of having a public consultation for the EU biogeographical assessments of the Art 17 reported data (2019-2024) and for ensuring that you can be reached in the eventuality of a request for clarification on submitted comments. Only the minimum amount of personal data needed is involved in the process.

2. Recipients of the data processed

For the purpose detailed above, access to your personal data (name, institution, Member State and submitted comments) is open to all visitors of the Web Tool used for the consultation. Access to remaining personal data (e-mail address, username) is available to the administrators of the consultation, which are members of European Topic Center on Biodiversity and Ecosystems (ETC BE), members of the specific contract on habitats EU assessments under the Framework Contract Lot1 and the Consultants of EEA for developing the relevant Web Tool (Eau de Web) as well as to EEA project managers and members of the working team and members of ETC BE with access to the EEA servers. The external collaborators and processors in the context of the data protection legislation, are bound by the same data protection rules. No personal data is shared with third parties for direct marketing purposes. Comments could be transmitted to other bodies for further consultation under the condition that they will abide by the data protection principles instructed to them by the EEA.

3. Categories of data processed

The only personal data further processed is the comments you submit to the Web Tool. EEA needs the other personal data (name, organization, e-mail) for contacting you in case a clarification is needed as regards your submitted comments.

4. Modalities for the processing operation

Comments are provided by you online at the Web Tool used for the consultation. Comments and other personal data (name, institution, e-mail) can be exported from the Web Tool only by the

administrators of the consultation. All data in electronic format are stored on the servers at EEA which guarantee the security and confidentiality of the collected information.

5. Right of access and rectification

You have no direct access to the data stored, though if you wish to personally modify or delete your comments, you can do it only as long as the consultation is open. If you wish to modify or delete any of your personal data or your comments after the consultation is over, you should address your request in writing by email to the administrator of the consultation [Eleni Tryfon, Eleni.Tryfon@eea.europa.eu]. If you wish at any time to withdraw your consent to the process, you should address your request in writing by email to the administrator of the consultation. The withdrawal of your consent does not affect the lawfulness of processing based on consent before its withdrawal.

6. Legal basis

The processing of your personal data is necessary for the performance and support of the numerous tasks carried out by the EEA as mandated by Regulation (EC) No 401/2009 of 23 April 2009 on the EEA and Eionet.

In addition, by submitting your comments, you express explicitly your consent to the processing operation (Article 5(d) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725).

7. Data retention

Your name, email address, institution, Member State and comments will be stored until the follow up actions to the consultation are completed, i.e. publication of the final report State of Nature in the EU 2027. This retention period is appropriate to the purpose of managing the comments while the assessment is still ongoing and communicating with the participants in case the EEA wishes to ask for clarifications. Six months after the final publication of the State of Nature 2027 report only anonymous comments, linked to the institution of the comment providers will be retained in the Web Tool and EEA servers.

8. Right to appeal

You are entitled to have recourse at any time to the European Data Protection Supervisor (<https://edps.europa.eu>; edps@edps.europa.eu) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the EEA.

You may also contact the EEA's Data protection Officer (DPO) in case of any difficulties relating to the processing of your data at the following email address: DPO@eea.europa.eu.