

Data Protection Notice

CORS NEWSLETTERS via NEWSROOM

1. Introduction

The European Committee of the Regions (CoR) is committed to respecting and protecting your personal data in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 (EUDPR).

Your personal data may be collected and processed for the use of Newsroom, which is a tool that allows CoR to send newsletters or notifications in the areas of CoRs activities and political groups activities upon your request.

2. Who is responsible for the processing of personal data?

The CoR is responsible (as controller) for the processing of personal data. The responsible service (delegated controller) is Directorate D, Unit D.3, email: newsdatacontrol@cor.europa.eu
The processor who processes your personal data on behalf of the controller is the European Commission (EC/DG CONNECT, email: CNECT-NEWSROOM-SUPPORT@ec.europa.eu)

3. What is the purpose of the processing?

The controller and the processor collect and further process your personal data, upon your subscription to the respective newsletter depending on the topic of interests and the frequency of notifications. This allows you to receive information that you have requested on important developments, activities, events, initiatives or thematic issues in the area of the CoRs activities, consultations of the CoRs commissions (CIVEX, COTER, ECON, ENVE, NAT, SEDEC) and news, in particular through events, news, opinions, publications, regional news, studies.

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

4. What is the legal basis for the processing?

The legal basis for the processing of your personal data is Article 5.1.d of the EUDPR, according to which "the data subject has given consent to the processing of his or her personal data for one or more specific purposes".

You have subscribed to receive the information on important developments, activities, events, initiatives or thematic issues in the area of CoRs activities. We process your personal data, because you have given your consent to the processing of your data for the purpose of receiving the requested information.

5. What personal data are processed?

In order to ensure the delivery of the mailing, the controller and the processor collect the following categories of personal data:

- Name, surname
- Email address
- Organisation

Additional personal data is needed for providing you with a more personalised information and for generating anonymised statistics:

- Frequency of the newsletter (daily/weekly);
- Type of information preferred (events, news, opinions, publications, regional news, studies);
- Preferred language(s);
- Topics of interest.

6. Who are the recipients or categories of recipients of your personal data?

- Within the CoR:

CoR staff responsible for carrying out the processing activity of newsletter/notification according to the "need to know" principle (referred as "editors").

- Outside the CoR:

DG Connect (EC) staff, who is the processor for managing the subscriptions to the respective newsletter/notification system. Access to your personal data is provided to the processor's (EC) staff responsible for carrying out this processing operation on behalf of the controller according to the "need to know" principle. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

7. Are your personal data transferred to a third country or international organisation?

No, your personal data are not transferred to non-EU member states or to international organisations.

8. How can you exercise your rights?

You have the right to access your personal data, to rectify any inaccurate or incomplete personal data, to restrict (under certain conditions) the processing of your personal data, to request the deletion of your personal data (if processed unlawfully) and, where applicable, the right to data portability. You also have the right to withdraw your consent at any time. Please note that withdrawal of consent will not have retroactive effect. Additionally, you can unsubscribe from all CoR mailing lists at any time.

You can direct your queries to email: newsdatacontrol@cor.europa.eu. Your query will be dealt without undue delay and in any event within one month of receipt of the request. That period may be extended by two further months where necessary.

You have the right of recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor (edps@edps.europa.eu) if you consider that your rights under the EUDPR have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the CoR.

9. How long are your personal data kept for?

The controller and the processor only keep your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of collection, namely until you unsubscribe from the mailing list.

Depending on the technical solutions available, you can either write to the dedicated functional mailbox and ask to be unsubscribed from the mailing list or click on the "Unsubscribe option" within the subscription form, or follow the unsubscribe link in the information email you have received. Appropriate action shall be taken within one month of receiving the request.

In case where data is kept for statistical purposes, subscriber's additional data (frequency, type of information, preferred language(s), topics of interest) may be kept for five years after a subscriber erases his/her account or unsubscribes from the mailing list.

10. Are the personal data collected used for automated decision-making, including profiling? The CoR will not use your personal data to make automated decisions about you. "Automated decisions" are defined as decisions made without human intervention.

11. Will your personal data be further processed for a purpose other than that for which data have been obtained?

Your personal data will not be further processed for a different purpose, other than statistical reasons.

12. Who do I contact if I have queries or complaints?

If you have any further questions about the processing of your personal data, please contact first of all the data controller, email: newsdatacontrol@cor.europa.eu.

You may also contact the CoR data protection officer (data.protection@cor.europa.eu) and/or the European Data Protection Supervisor (edps@edps.europa.eu) at any time.