Information obligations under GDPR

Privacy Statement for Applicants – LIFT_C Call

I. Indication of contact data

The party responsible for the data processing described below is Johannes Kepler University of Linz (JKU), Altenberger Strasse 69, 4040 Linz, datenschutz@jku.at.

The data protection officer can be reached at Johannes Kepler University of Linz (JKU), Staff Office for Data Protection, Altenberger Strasse 69, 4040 Linz, datenschutz@jku.at.

II. Background of the processing / Indication of the purpose for which the personal data are to be processed / Legal basis of processing / Categories of recipients of personal data:

1. The JKU invites researchers to submit project proposals for funding under the JKU LIFT_C program, as described in the documents provided (especially “Call for Project Proposals”). JKU LIT focuses on excellent, practically-oriented research in all areas of science and technology along the entire innovation chain. The emphasis is on High Risk – High Gain projects. For the purpose of administering and organizing the project proposals and implementing the funding process, the JKU processes the submitted personal and project related data of applicants and, if applicable, of further persons that are involved in the project as data subjects.

2. The legal basis for processing the personal data is the requirement of processing for fulfillment of a contract whose contract party the individual in question is or rather in order to take steps at the request of the data subjects prior to entering into a contract (cf. art 6, par 1, letter b of GDPR) as well as the legitimate interest of the JKU in the proper implementation of the LIFT_C Call and the assertion, exercise or defense of any related claims as well as and in the legitimate interest of the funding bodies (Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research and the State of Upper Austria) in the proper use of funding (cf. art 6, par 1. letter f of GDPR).

There is no legal obligation to provide the personal data, however, if the data is not provided, there will be no participating in the JKU LIFT_C Call.

3. Recipients of the aforementioned data are the necessary organisational units at JKU necessary for the corresponding operation, in particular the financial accounting department, the organisational (host-)unit referred to in the project proposal and the members of the Rectorate and their offices.

Furthermore the information included in the project proposals may be transmitted to the external panel for the purpose of evaluation and to consultants of JKU.

As part of the application procedure and funding process, the project proposal together with personal data may be transmitted or disclose in context with control and review purposes to organs and agents of the Court of Auditors or verifying bodies of the federal government or the Upper Austrian Government.

In order to assert, exercise or defend claims, personal data may also be forwarded to courts, authorities and legal representatives.

Due to legal filing obligations, it may be required that these data, including in the context of project implementation and/or project results are transmitted to other third parties (in particular, public authorities, government institutions, Article 89 subsidisation and grant offices under the Research Organisation Act, FOG, and other investors involved).
III. **Indication of the criteria for determining the retention period:**

The data shall be saved by JKU for the duration of the statutory retention periods as well as until the expiry of the statutes of limitation on potential legal claims. The data will subsequently be deleted unless there are other justified interests of JKU justifying further saving.

Due to the funding requirements, all project-relevant documents must be retained for the duration of the retention period specified in the grant agreement, which is usually set up with 10 years after the end of the project.

IV. **Information on the rights of those concerned:**

Under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), there are the following rights of those concerned:
- Right to information
- Right to correction and deletion
- Right to restriction of processing
- Right to object
- Right to data portability

V. **Right to appeal to the regulatory authority:**

You are entitled to appeal to the Austrian Data Protection Authority, Barichgasse 40-42, 1030 Vienna, Tel. +43 1 52 152-0, E-Mail: dsb@dsb.gv.at, if you are of the opinion that the processing of personal data is in breach of these guidelines.

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