

# Data Protection Information for the RKI CLIMADEMIC Summer School 2024

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Hereby we inform you about the processing of your personal data in connection with registering, conducting and following up on the **RKI CLIMADEMIC Summer School 2024** (hereinafter "the event"). Personal data are any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (hereinafter "data subject").

## 1. Name and contact details of the controller responsible for data processing and contact details of the data protection officer

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## 2. Scope of processing

During planning and organization (esp. registration, management of participants), conducting (esp. facilitation and technical provision) and follow up on the event, various types of personal data are processed. For the registration to the **RKI CLIMADEMIC Summer School 2024**, particularly processing of your first and last name, your organization and your e-mail address is required. If you are a speaker or participant in the discussion, we may also use your name, your organization, a photo of you, brief information about your CV and, if applicable, your presence on social media to announce or promote the event (e.g. in the form of (digital) event flyers).

The scope of data processing in the context of the event also depends on the information you provide when participating in the event and the settings you make. The following personal data are always subject to processing within the scope of the event and are necessary for its conducting:

Participant details, information marked as mandatory such as surname, first name, organization, e-mail address, and additional information provided voluntarily. If you give a presentation on Webex as part of the event, data from your device's microphone and from any camera connected to the device will be processed in accordance with your settings for the duration of the meeting, in order to enable the simultaneous transmission and display of video and the playback of audio data (live streaming). You can switch off or mute the camera or microphone yourself at any time via the web meeting application. The controller will set the default settings in such a way that no text, audio or video data from you will be processed without you initiating this processing yourself.

If (parts of) the event is recorded, the recordings might be saved and published on the RKI's communication channels after the event. In addition, the recorded photo, video, and audio data may be published in whole or in part on the website, on posters, in print and through online media of the RKI within and outside the RKI and on other social media channels of the RKI. If you do not wish to be filmed or

recorded with the possibility of this being published, please inform photographers or the event organization team on site.

### 3. Purposes and legal bases of data processing

Your personal data will be processed by the RKI in order to plan, organize and advertise the event. The legal basis for the associated processing is Art. 6

(1) sentence 1 (e) GDPR in conjunction with Section 4 of the Protection Against Infection Act (IfSG). If and to the extent that we process your data as a speaker/discussion participant in order to advertise the event, the legal basis for the processing is Art. 6 (1) sentence 1(a) GDPR.

Furthermore, RKI processes personal data in order to manage registrations, to send you access information, as well as to conduct and follow up on the event. In case of necessity, we also use web applications to the extent described here in order to be able to make the event also digitally accessible via live stream for speakers. The legal basis for the processing of the optional information in the registration mask is Art. 6 (1) sentence 1 (a) GDPR. Insofar as personal data of RKI employees is processed, Section 26 of the German Federal Data Protection Act (BDSG) is the legal basis for data processing.

If you are active as a speaker at the event, photos, audio and video data of you as well as your presentation will be processed for the purpose of live streaming during the web meeting and, if applicable, for the purpose of recording and subsequent publication. The legal basis for the associated processing is your consent pursuant to Art. 6 (1) sentence 1 (a) GDPR. In the exceptional case that these photos or audio and video recordings might also include participants on site, the legal basis for data processing is also Art. 6 (1) sentence 1 (a) GDPR.

If necessary for planning purposes, e.g. travel and/or accommodation, further personal data may be processed from speakers. The legal basis is Art. 6 (1) sentence 1 (b) GDPR. If we process sensitive personal data in this regard, e.g. specific dietary requirements or physical conditions, we require your consent (Art. 9 (2) a GDPR).

In principle, you are not obliged to provide your personal data. However, it is not possible to participate without registration. Speakers participants must consent to the live stream in order to participate. No automated decision-making, including profiling, takes place.

### 4. Recipients of the data

Personal data processed in connection with participation in the event will not in principle be disclosed to third parties, unless it is specifically intended to be disclosed. The provider of the webmeeting/streaming tool used and its subcontractors do receive the opportunity to become aware of the above-mentioned data, insofar this is necessary for the speakers for the event. We currently work with the service provider Cisco Systems, Inc., 170 West Tasman Drive, San Jose, California 95134, USA, which we use via Telekom Deutschland GmbH, Landgrabenweg 151, 53227 Bonn, Germany.

The recordings of the meeting can be published on the publicly accessible Youtube channel of the RKI. Youtube is a video platform operated for European users by Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland. Here, in principle, only the personal data of the speakers contained in the recordings are processed. Exceptionally, the recordings may also contain personal data of participants on site.

Photo, audio, and video data taken during the event may also be published in whole or in part on the following publicly accessible RKI social media channels as part of the RKI's public relations work:

- Twitter (Twitter International Unlimited Company , One Cumberland Place, Fenian Street, Dublin 2, DO2 AX07 Ireland),
- Instagram (Meta Platforms Ireland Ltd., 4 Grand Canal Square Grand Canal Harbour, Dublin 2, Ireland),
- LinkedIn (LinkedIn Ireland Unlimited Company, Wilton Place, Dublin 2, Ireland)
- Mastodon (Mastodon gmbH, Mühlenstraße 8a, 14167 Berlin, Germany).

In the context of announcing and advertising the event and the subsequent reporting, the RKI may publish your data as a speaker/discussion participant on its communication channels within and outside RKI and to potential event participants (esp. (inter)national research institutions and organizations).

## 5. Data processing outside the European Union

“Cisco Webex” is a service provided by Cisco Systems, Inc. which is based in the US. We receive the Cisco Systems service via Deutsche Telekom, which allows us to have a German contact and contractual partner for consultation and services. Webex is provisioned from the European cloud. We use Cisco Webex as part of the implementation of this event. Cisco Systems Inc. is a US service provider. It is certified in accordance with the EU-U.S. Data Privacy Framework. This certification ensures the adequacy of the level of data protection.

In the context of the announcement/application of the event, a transfer of your data to third countries/international organizations is possible. In addition, event recordings of the **RKI CLIMADEMIC Summer School 2024** are published on the Youtube channel or parts thereof as photo, video and audio data on other social media channels of the RKI mentioned here in section 4 (e.g., to other companies of the Google Group such as Google LLC, 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway, Mountain View, CA 94043, USA, LinkedIn, 1000 W Maude Ave, Sunnyvale, CA, USA). Since a transfer to third countries (countries outside the European Union or the European Economic Area where the level of data protection does not correspond to that of the European Union), might be possible and we cannot guarantee the existence of a level of data protection equivalent to that of the EU there, in accordance with Art. 49 (1) sentence 1 lit. a GDPR, we will request your express consent for transferring your personal data to third countries. You can withdraw your consent at any time with effect for the future, although your withdrawal will not apply to any processing performed in the basis of your consent prior to the withdrawal. As explained above, this generally only applies to our speakers and discussion participants. However, as described above, in exceptional cases this may also affect participants on site. If you do not wish to be photographed and your data to be published, please make sure that you contact the photographers or the event organization team.

## 6. Storage period

Your personal data will be stored until the basis for data processing no longer applies or after the expiry of statutory or official retention obligations.

Only in the event that an (audio/video) recording is made will the recorded data be stored for as long as the consent of the data subjects permits, and on YouTube in any case for no longer than two years. On

other social media platforms, the deletion periods may be longer. Personal data arising from e-mails or via chat during the web meeting will be deleted immediately after the end of the event.

The data required for the implementation/organization of the event will be deleted after completion of the post-event processing. If data subjects expressly request deletion of their data beforehand, the data will be deleted without undue delay.

## 7. Rights of data subjects

Under the GDPR, you have the following rights under the conditions set out in the law: right of access (Art. 15 GDPR), right to rectification (Art. 16 GDPR), right to erasure (Art. 17 GDPR), right to restriction of processing (Art. 18 GDPR), right to data portability (Art. 20 GDPR), right to consent withdrawal (Art. 7(3) GDPR), right to object (Art. 21 GDPR). In addition, you have the right to lodge a complaint with a relevant authority (Art. 77 GDPR).

If you wish to exercise any of these rights, please contact the RKI using the above contact details.