



**Record¹ of processing activities regarding
the networking platform for the upcoming 2025 Call for proposals for a new EIT KIC
in water, marine and maritime sectors and ecosystems
to be designated by the European Institute of Innovation and Technology**

Nr	Item	Description
1	Reference number	DPO-62
2	Name of the data controller, the data protection officer and processor ² , if applicable and contact details	<p>The data controller is the Head of Operations of Innovation, Education and Communication.</p> <p>Contact e-mail: EIT-Conference@eit.europa.eu</p> <p>Contact e-mail of the Data Protection Officer: EIT-DPO@eit.europa.eu</p>
3	Purposes of the processing	<p>The processing of the personal data within the context of the networking platform is necessary for the following purposes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to register people participating in the networking; - to share updates about the Call for proposals among registered participants through direct messages sent via the platform. <p>The networking platform is a business-to-business platform, allowing registered participants to connect with other organisations interested in collaborating for the Call and to organise matchmaking sessions themselves freely. Potential meeting requests would be sent to registered participants by other registered users directly through the networking platform. As the organiser of the platform, the EIT may contact the participants</p>

¹ In line with Article 31 of 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, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39–98)

² For further information, please see “Categories of data recipients”



		through the platform to share updates about the Call via direct messages sent through the networking platform.
4	Categories of data subjects	The data subjects are the registered participants of the networking platform.
5	Categories of the personal data processed	<p>Within the context of the networking platform created by the EIT, the following types of personal data are processed in relation to the data subjects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - As part of the online registration process the following personal data are processed for all participants: first name, last name, email address, job position, profile picture (optional), name of employing organisation and address (city only). - In addition, B2MATCH collects the data subjects' IP addresses, website data, geolocation, and browser-generated information (including device information, operating system, device type, system, cookies or other technologies used to analyse users' activity).
6	Categories of data recipients	<p>Within the EIT:</p> <p>For the purposes indicated above, access to personal data is provided to the EIT staff, in particular the responsible officers, communication officer, head of unit and head of operations working on the organisation of the communication of the Call, including the networking platform.</p> <p>Within the Commission and other EU institutions/agencies/bodies:</p> <p>Access may also be provided for the fulfillment of their tasks to the Internal Audit Service of the Commission, the Court of Auditors (audit purposes), to the European Ombudsman, the European Data Protection Supervisor or the European Court of Justice and the General Court (in case of complaints or litigation).</p>



		<p>Third parties subject to the GDPR³ and third parties not subject to the GDPR:</p> <p>EIT uses the B2MATCH Platform for the purpose of registration to the networking platform. When the data subjects register to the networking platform, they are made aware that B2MATCH collects the personal data included in the registration form. For details about the B2MATCH platform’s privacy practices please consult their privacy statement here.</p>
7	Time limit storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The <u>personal data of registered participants visible within the platform</u> will be retained by B2MATCH according to its privacy policy. The EIT will retain personal data for <i>30 days</i> following the closure of the Call. - The same applies for <u>the applicants rejected to participate in the networking platform</u>. - After the above-mentioned retention periods, the data relating to the networking platform required for scientific or historical research purposes, statistical purposes should be kept in an anonymous form.
8	If applicable, transfers of personal data to a third country or to international organization (if yes, the identification of that third country or international organization and the documentation of suitable safeguards)	Please see “6. Categories of data recipients”
9	Legal basis and lawfulness	<p><u>Legal basis of the processing operation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regulation (EU) 2021/819 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 on the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (recast) (‘EIT Regulation’)⁴;

³ Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation, OJ L 119, 4.5.2016, p. 1–88)

⁴ OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 1.



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decision (EU) 2021/820 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2021 on the Strategic Innovation Agenda of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology (EIT) 2021-2027: Boosting the Innovation Talent and Capacity of Europe and repealing decision No 1312/2013/EU ('EIT Strategic Innovation Agenda 2021-2027')⁵; - Decision 42/2023 of the EIT Governing Board on the adoption of the Final Single Programming Document (2024-2026)⁶, as amended by decision 26/2024 of the EIT Governing Board⁷. <p><u>Lawfulness of the processing operation, the consent of the data subject</u></p> <p>In line with Article 5(a) of Regulation No. (EU) 2018/1725, the 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 EIT. The launch of Calls for proposals and supporting communication activities are part of the public interest activities of the EIT.</p> <p>The specific processing of personal data (e.g. organising the networking platform) is allowed only if the data subject gives his/her explicit consent for such processing. Therefore, such processing is lawful based on Article 5 (d) of Regulation No. (EU) 2018/1725.</p>
10	General description of the technical and organisational security measures	Access to personal data processed by the EIT is limited to the designated staff of the EIT on a need-to-know basis. Technical measures are in place.
11	For more information, including how to exercise rights to access, rectification, object and data portability (where	Please consult the Data Protection page on the EIT website at the following link: https://eit.europa.eu/who-we-are/legal-framework/data-protection

⁵ OJ L 189, 28.5.2021, p. 61.

⁶ Ares(2023) 8668848

⁷ Ares (2024) 4696519



	applicable), see the privacy statement:	
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Signature of the data controller (Approval is given via a workflow in ARES in place of a handwritten signature)

Annex: Privacy statement