

Privacy Statement pursuant to Art. 13 GDPR for participation in the network event “European Think Tank Network on Technological Resilience and Sovereignty (ETRS)”

1. Controller

Bertelsmann Stiftung (Carl-Bertelsmann-Strasse 256, 33311 Gütersloh, Germany, Email: datenschutz@bertelsmann-stiftung.de, Phone: +49 (0)5241 81-0) is the data controller in charge of processing personal data in connection with the network event “European Think Tank Network on Technological Resilience and Sovereignty (ETRS)”.

We, the Bertelsmann Stiftung, are strongly committed to protecting your privacy and your private and personal data. We collect, save, and use your personal data strictly in accordance with the provisions of this Privacy Statement and the applicable data protection provisions, including without limitation the European General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and national data protection provisions.

With this Privacy Statement, we wish to inform you to what extent and for what purpose your personal data is processed in connection with the use of our online offering.

2. Purpose of Data Processing

The processing of personal data is carried out for the preparation, implementation, and follow-up of the event *European Think Tank Network on Technological Resilience and Sovereignty (ETRS)*.

The information collected through the survey is used in particular to:

- Identify and invite suitable experts, think tanks and institutions,
- Promote exchange and collaboration within the network,
- Enable communication with participating organizations.

For the processing of data we use LimeSurvey. The tool is operated on servers of the Bertelsmann Stiftung in Germany.

If you have given us your consent to contact you, you will receive an email after the event inviting you to subscribe to our newsletter mailing list.

3. Categories of Data Processed

Category	Data Fields
Institution Details	Name of think tank / institution, country of activity, website, year of foundation, non-profit status
Contact Information	Name of main contact person, email address (for communication), phone number (optional)
Areas of Expertise	Description of main areas of work, relevant projects related to technological resilience & sovereignty in Europe
Motivation & Alignment	Reason for interest in ETRS, alignment with ETRS vision
Commitment	Potential contributions (resources, networks, expertise), willingness to actively participate
Additional Information	Source of information about ETRS, additional comments or questions

5. Legal Basis for Processing

The processing of your personal data is based on your consent pursuant to Art. 6 (1) (a) GDPR. You may withdraw your consent at any time with effect for the future, e.g., by email to datenschutz@bertelsmann-stiftung.de. Please include the keyword "ETRS" in your withdrawal. The lawfulness of data processing carried out prior to withdrawal remains unaffected.

6. Recipients of the Data and transfers of personal data to third countries

The data will be processed exclusively by authorized staff members of the Bertelsmann Stiftung. Data will only be shared with third parties if this is necessary for organizing the event or for network communication.

For organizational and operational purposes, it is essential that personal data is disclosed to Microsoft Operations Ireland Ltd., the technical provider. We have concluded data processing agreements with Microsoft. For transfers to the US, Microsoft's certification under the EU-US Data Privacy Framework ensures an adequate level of data protection. Furthermore, no automated decision-making is based on your personal data, nor is any personal data transferred to third countries outside the European Union.

7. Storage Period

Your personal data will be stored for as long as necessary to achieve the purposes stated above or until you withdraw your consent.

8. Your Rights

We, the Bertelsmann Stiftung, are committed to explaining how we process personal data and to inform you about your rights as transparently as possible. If you want more detailed information or wish to exercise your rights, you can contact us at any time so that we can take care of your concerns.

Rights of persons concerned

You have extensive rights with respect to the processing of your personal data. First of all, you have an extensive right to information and under certain circumstances may demand correction and/or deletion or blocking of your personal data. You can also demand restriction of processing and you have a right of objection. You also have a right to data portability with a view to personal data that you have transmitted to us.

If you wish to assert any of your rights and/or want more detailed information concerning your rights, please use the contact form to get in touch with our staff. Alternatively, you may contact our data protection officer.

Revocation of consent and objection

You may at any time revoke your consent with future effect. Revocation of the consent does not affect the legality of any processing performed on the basis of such consent given up until the revocation thereof. In such cases, too, please use our contact form to get in touch with our staff and/or our data protection officer.

Insofar as the processing of your personal data is not based on consent given by you but on another legal basis, you can object to the data processing. Your objection will lead to a review and, if necessary, to termination of the data processing. You will be informed of the outcome of the review and – if the data processing is to be continued after all – you will receive further information from us on why the data processing is admissible.

Data protection officer; contact

We have appointed an external data protection officer who supports us in data protection issues and who you can contact directly. If you have questions regarding our handling of personal data or if you require other information on data protection issues, please do not hesitate to contact our Data Protection Officer and his team:

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Complaints

If you are of the opinion that the processing of your personal data does not comply with this Privacy Statement or the applicable data protection provisions, you can file a complaint with our data protection officer. Our data protection officer will review the matter and inform you of the outcome of the review. In addition, you are entitled to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority.