



FRONTEX RESEARCH GRANTS PROGRAMME

Call for Proposals 2022/CFP/RIU/01

NOVEL TECHNOLOGIES FOR BORDER MANAGEMENT (OPEN THEME)

Annex 9 – Privacy Statement

Privacy statement regarding participation in the Call for Proposals

1. Purpose of the personal data processing operation

Within this Call for Proposals, Frontex will process personal data of applicants.

Upon reception of grant applications, the personal data included in the applications are collected and further processed for the purpose of the grant procedure, and in particular for:

- Evaluation of grant applications received in response to the Call for Proposals, containing personal data of key staff of the applicants' organisations responsible for managing, coordinating and executing the research projects (i.e. the authorised Legal Representatives, the Contact Persons, the bank account holders and the Project Team researchers) with a view to awarding the grants.
- Communication with the applicants' Contact Persons responsible for acting as single point of contact between the applicants and Frontex for any administrative and/or technical matters related to the grant application, the awarding procedure and, if the grant is awarded, to the project implementation.
- Signature of the grant agreements by the authorised Legal Representatives of the beneficiaries.
- Evaluation of technical reports containing personal data of the key staff of the beneficiaries for the purpose of progress monitoring, reporting and acceptance of projects deliverables with a view to making grant payments to the grant beneficiaries.
- Payment of the grant and payment arrangements.
- Publicity, as information related to grants awarded in the course of a financial year shall be published on Frontex website no later than on 30 June of the year following the financial year in which the grants were awarded.
- Internal (within Frontex, the European Border and Coast guard community and/or other stakeholders) and external (to the public) Frontex communication and dissemination initiatives regarding the grants awarded, involving representatives of the beneficiaries' organisations (e.g. press releases, videos, photographs, interviews, research projects presentations in Frontex events).
- For the purposes of safeguarding the financial interests of the Union because, pursuant to Article 40 of Frontex Financial Regulation¹ ("Information on transfers of personal data for audit purposes"), the personal data of applicants to the Call for Proposals and beneficiaries of the grants may be transferred to internal audit services, to the European Court of Auditors, or to the European Anti-Fraud Office and between authorising officers of the Union bodies, the Commission and the executive agencies.

Furthermore, while the Call for Proposals is open, personal data of the applicants submitting requests for clarifications on the Call for Proposals is collected and further processed for the purpose of providing answers to those requests.

The data is received from the entities applying for the grant. The applying entities are expected to gain permission for processing personal data of any individual whose data is included in the application in line with the national law of the applicant.

The following categories of personal data are collected by Frontex:

- for the applicants submitting requests for clarifications on the Call for Proposals:

¹ Adopted through Frontex Management Board Decision 19/2019.

- family name, first name and email address;
- for key staff of the applicants' organisations responsible for managing, coordinating and executing the research projects:
 - family name and first name;
 - position/function
 - contact details (telephone, mobile, fax, e-mail address)
 - bank account and address (only for the bank account holders)
 - CVs including, title, researcher category, position, role in the project, general overview of the profile, education and training, and professional experience (only for the members of the Project Team).

2. Data Controller

The Data Controller is the Head of Research and Innovation Unit in Frontex who is responsible for the overall management of the programme. The Controller can be reached at: RIU.Data.Controller@frontex.europa.eu.

3. Legal Basis

Personal data collected and stored by Frontex will be processed in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of 23 October 2018 on protection of natural person 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.

The legal basis for the processing of this personal data is the freely given consent of the applicants' individuals whose data is included in the application as per article 5(1)(d) of said Regulation as well as article 5(1)(a) and article 5(1)(b).

Specific legal basis of processing of personal data under this Call for Proposals are:

- Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 July 2018 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union, amending Regulations (EU) No 1296/2013, (EU) No 1301/2013, (EU) No 1303/2013, (EU) No 1304/2013, (EU) No 1309/2013, (EU) No 1316/2013, (EU) No 223/2014, (EU) No 283/2014, and Decision No 541/2014/EU and repealing Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012, (hereafter "the Financial Regulation") in particular Articles 180-200 for the grant application, and
- Regulation (EU) 2019/1896 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 November 2019 on the European Border and Coast Guard and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1052/2013 and (EU) 2016/1624, in particular articles 10 (1) (x) and 66.

By submitting an application under this Call for Proposals, the applicants provide their consent to Frontex for processing the personal data they provide in their grant application for the purposes listed in point 1 above.

4. Recipients

Recipients of the data are members of the Evaluation Committee (nominated Frontex staff), experts in charge of monitoring and evaluation of technical reports (Frontex staff), actors involved in the relevant financial transactions and legal matters (Frontex staff) and Frontex staff involved in media and public relations activities.

In addition, in line with art 40 of Frontex Financial Regulation, for the purposes of safeguarding the financial interests of the Union, the personal data provided by applicants to the Call for Proposals and beneficiaries of the grants may be transferred to internal audit services, to the European Court of Auditors, or to the European Anti-Fraud Office and between authorising officers of the Union bodies, the Commission and the executive agencies.

No international data transfers, profiling or automated decision-making will take place.

5. Data Retention

All files are kept for ten years after the completion of the activity, in line with the policy on retention of documentation concerning financial documents and activities on Frontex research and innovation.

6. Data subject rights

Data subjects:

- have the right to access, rectify or erase or restrict the processing of their personal data or, where applicable, the right to object to processing or the right to data portability in line with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725;
- have the right to access and correct their data, provided they submit a written request addressed to the Data Controller (RIU.Data.Controller@Frontex.europa.eu); when exercising this right, please refer to the Call for Proposals related to it, if possible;
- may at any time consult Frontex Data Protection Officer (dataprotectionoffice@frontex.europa.eu);
- have the right to lodge a complaint to the European Data Protection Supervisor edps@edps.europa.eu.