SPECIFIC PRIVACY STATEMENT

PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON STRENGTHENING EU COOPERATION ON HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT (HTA)

1. OBJECTIVE

This public consultation aims to gather detailed views and opinions relating to the future of the EU cooperation on HTA, as proposed in the Inception Impact Assessment published by the European Commission (see Reference documents).

The results of this public consultation will be used by the Commission services to feed into the impact assessment process which is currently ongoing and which concerns the strengthening of the EU cooperation on HTA. The respondents will have access to the survey through a secured environment of the EUSurvey application.

As this online service collects and further processes personal data, it is subject to data protection rules as established by Regulation (EC) 45/2001¹.

2. WHAT PERSONAL INFORMATION DO WE COLLECT AND THROUGH WHICH TECHNICAL MEANS?

2.1. Identification Data

Personal data collected and further processed are only those data which are necessary for the management of contributions (such as name, surname, employer email address), as well as the views of contributors on the topics concerned. The processing operations on personal data linked to the management of this consultation are necessary for the functioning of the Commission as mandated by the Treaties, and more specifically by Articles 5 and 13 TEU and Articles 244 - 250 TFEU.

2.2. Technical information

The implementation survey is an online survey carried out by using EUsurvey. For offline answering the system uses session "cookies" in order to ensure communication between the client and the server. Therefore, your browser must be configured to accept "cookies". The "cookies" disappear once the session has been terminated. It is also possible to participate to a survey with "cookies" disabled, but in this case offline answering is not possible.

Regulation (EC) 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data

3. WHO HAS ACCESS TO YOUR INFORMATION AND TO WHOM IS IT DISCLOSED?

Access to all personal data and information collected in the context of this survey is only granted through UserID/Password to a defined population of users, without prejudice to a possible transmission to the bodies in charge of a monitoring or inspection task in accordance with Community legislation. These users are the members of the Unit organising the survey inside the Directorate-General of the Commission (here DG SANTE unit B4). In justified cases they may grant access to other staff working for the European Commission (e.g. the IT department).

Received contributions will serve as a basis for a report of the Commission which will be communicated to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions. Together with this report, the contributions will be published on the Internet. The personal data of the persons filling in the survey will not be published.

4. HOW DO WE PROTECT AND SAFEGUARD YOUR INFORMATION?

Responses will be recorded in a secured and protected database hosted by the Data Centre of the European Commission, the operations of which abide by the Commission's security decisions and provisions established by the Directorate of Security for this kind of servers and services. The database can be accessed using a user password. A copy of the data will also be saved in the protected area of the B4 Unit.

5. HOW CAN YOU VERIFY, MODIFY OR DELETE YOUR INFORMATION?

If you wish to modify or delete your reply, please send a message to the contacts below explicitly specifying your request.

6. How long do we keep your data?

Your data will remain in the database until the results have been completely analysed and usefully exploited. Personal data will be deleted, at the latest, 1 year after the last action in relation to the consultation in question.

7. CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the information processed in this survey, feel free to contact:

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8. RECOURSE

Complaints, in case of conflict, can be addressed to the <u>European Data Protection Supervisor</u>.