Privacy Statement

Consultations on competition policy

1. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this consultation is to gather the views of stakeholders or people concerned by the topic of the consultation and to publish them on the Internet¹.

During the consultation, personal data is collected and processed. Therefore, <u>Regulation</u> (EC) 45/2001 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, is applicable.

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

Data necessary for the participation in the consultation, such as name/surname/profession/ postal, e-mail addresses/phone number/fax number..., of the contributors, including views on the topics concerned.

The collection and processing operations are performed under the responsibility of the Head of the Unit mentioned in the page of the consultation, at the Competition Directorate-General, acting as the Controller.

The processing operations on personal data linked to the organisation and management of this consultation are necessary for the management and functioning of the Commission, as mandated by the Treaties, and more specifically in Article 5 of TEU, Article 13 TEU and Articles 244-250 TFEU, and in accordance with Article 1 and Article 11 of TEU.

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

Received contributions, together with the identity of the contributor, will be published on the Internet, unless the contributor objects to publication of the personal data. In this case please then provide a non-confidential version of your reply for the website.

Any objections concerning publication of personal data should be sent to the team responsible for the consultation.

The list of closed consultations and contributions received is available on http://ec.europa.eu/competition/consultations/closed.html

4. How do we protect and safeguard your information?

Your full reply is recorded in a secured and protected database hosted by the Data Centre of the European Commission, under the Commission's security provisions for this kind of servers and services. The database is not accessible from outside the Commission. Inside the Commission the database can be accessed using a UserId/Password.

5. HOW LONG DO WE KEEP YOUR DATA?

Your personal data will be remain in the database for an indefinite period of time and may be part of a list of contact details shared internally amongst the staff of the Directorate-General for the purpose of contacting you in the future in the context of the Commission activities. If you do not agree with this, please contact the Controller specifying your request.

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

If you wish to verify, modify, correct or delete your data, or if you have questions regarding the consultation, any information processed in the context of the consultation, or your rights, feel free to contact the team operating under the responsibility of the Controller, using the contact information available on the consultation page.

7. RECOURSE

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