



# EFSA Public Consultations – Specific Privacy Statement

## 1. Objective

The objective of EFSA's public consultations is to receive the views of stakeholders or people concerned by the specific topic of the consultation and to publish these on the EFSA website, under the responsibility of the Head of Unit in charge who is also the controller with regard to processing of personal data. As the public consultation process implies the collection and limited further processing of certain personal data, Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies<sup>1</sup> is applicable.

## 2. Which personal data are processed and how?

The personal data collected and further processed are data necessary for the participation in the public consultation, such as your first and family name, affiliation data, address information, e-mail, as well as your contribution on the topic of the public consultation. The processing of personal data linked to public consultations is necessary for the management and functioning of EFSA, as mandated by EFSA's Founding Regulation<sup>2</sup>.

## 3. Information on the electronic tool

EFSA public consultations are carried out by means of the European Commission's official survey management tool 'EUSurvey', the reference installation of which is hosted at DG DIGIT of the European Commission. Your contributions are collected in the DG DIGIT datacentre. After the closure of the consultation, an EFSA staff member in charge downloads in a secure manner the data file with the contributions into EFSA's Document Management System with a restricted access on a need to know basis.

## 4. Information on copyrights and publication of contributions

As a respondent to an EFSA public consultation, please take account of **the explanatory note** on the EFSA website accompanying the consultation, especially on what is mentioned therein concerning copyright requirements and the publication of your contribution and possible re-use thereof, as well as on the publication of your personal data.

The report on the public consultation drawn up after its closure, is published on the EFSA website for an indefinite period.

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<sup>1</sup> 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 21.11.2018, L 295/39.

<sup>2</sup> Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 January 2002 laying down the general principles and requirements of food law, establishing the European Food Safety Authority and laying down procedures in matters of food safety, OJ L 31, 1.2.2002, p. 1-24, i.e. recitals 55 and 56 and Article 42.

## **5. Contact information to exercise your rights as a data subject**

If you have questions regarding the public consultation or concerning any information processed in the context of the public consultation, or if you want to exercise your right of access to your personal data, to rectify them or to erase them, please contact the controller, using the contact details in the EUSurvey tool.

If you need further information on the processing of personal data in the context of EFSA Public Consultations, you may contact EFSA's data protection officer – [DataProtectionOfficer@efsa.europa.eu](mailto:DataProtectionOfficer@efsa.europa.eu)

You have the right to lodge a complaint regarding the processing of your personal data in the context of the public consultation with the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)).