



European Committee  
of the Regions

## DATA PROTECTION NOTICE

### AGORA DATABASE

#### 1. Introduction

The European Committee of the Regions (CoR) is committed to respecting and protecting your personal data in accordance with [Regulation \(EU\) 2018/1725](#).

The Agora database collects all data pertaining to members (full members and alternates), members' assistants, coordinators of national delegations, Young Elected Politicians (YEPs), EU Councillors, speakers, experts and other persons regarded as third parties, including the start and end date of the mandate. The Agora database also feeds other CoR applications and platforms with data.

#### 2. Who is responsible for the processing of personal data?

The CoR is responsible (as controller) for the processing of personal data.

The delegated controller is the Unit A1 – Services to members, e-mail: [onestopshop@cor.europa.eu](mailto:onestopshop@cor.europa.eu)

#### 3. What is the purpose of the processing?

The collected data enable the administration to manage issues related to the members' mandate, political work and financial claims, as well as to be transparent for members, members' assistants, coordinators of national delegations, speakers, experts and persons regarded as third parties working for the CoR.

#### 4. What is the legal basis for the processing?

The legal basis for the processing of personal data is Article 5.1.a of the EUDPR, according to which "processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the Union institution or body"

#### 5. What personal data are processed?

**Basic data processed for transparency purposes:**

- Surname
- First name
- Represented country
- Title
- Mandate/function as per Council decision
- Language(s) spoken
- Professional address
- Telephone number(s)
- E-mail address(es)
- Website(s)
- Photo
- Start/end date of appointment to the CoR

- Declaration of financial interests
- National delegation at the CoR
- Political group and commissions at the CoR
- Membership of other CoR bodies
- Social media accounts
- Areas of interest
- Biography (CV)

**Data reserved for internal administrative processing:**

- Private address
- Bank account
- Private/confidential e-mail address
- Date of birth
- Place of birth
- A copy of ID card or passport
- Mobile phone

**6. Who are the recipients or categories of recipients of your personal data?**

**Internal:**

The data are encoded and stored in the CoR database system, Agora. Other internal CoR applications e.g. Phoenix, Kiklos, OBO dashboard also retrieve data from Agora. Colleagues having access to Agora and to those other internal applications have access to certain categories of the stored data, depending on the specific tasks to be delivered.

The documents received digitally are stored on the responsible service's shared drive with access provided only to colleagues working in this service. These digital versions are also stored in the One Stop Shop functional e-mail account with access provided to colleagues working in this service.

**External:**

In case of members, basic data are published on public platforms such as: [CoR website](#), CoR political group websites, the [CoR Members Page](#) application, the [EU Who-is-who directory](#) and [European Data Portal](#). The visitors of these platforms have access to the published data accordingly.

**7. Are your personal data transferred to a third country or international organisation?**

[No, your personal data are not transferred to non-EU member states or to international organisations.]

**8. How can you exercise your rights?**

You have the right to access your personal data, to rectify any inaccurate or incomplete personal data, to restrict (under certain conditions) the processing of your personal data, to object to the processing of your data and to request the deletion of your personal data (if processed unlawfully).

Where applicable, you have the right to receive your personal data provided to the controller or to have your personal data transmitted directly to another controller (data portability).]

You can direct your queries to [onestopshop@cor.europa.eu](mailto:onestopshop@cor.europa.eu). The query will be dealt without undue delay and in any event within one month of receipt of the request.

You have the right of recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)) if you consider that your rights under the applicable data protection provisions have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the CoR.

**9. How long are your personal data kept for?**

Your data are kept in Agora for the time necessary to carry out the tasks of the various CoR departments during the mandate or service of the person concerned.

Following the end of mandate of CoR members, the surname, first name, mandate/function, represented country, photo (if available), national delegation at the CoR, political group at the CoR, commissions at the CoR, past work and the start/end date of the mandate will remain visible on the Members Page during the ongoing 5 years CoR mandate.

The personal contact data are saved in the CoR database for historical and statistical purposes following the period of office. ]

**10. Are the personal data collected used for automated decision-making, including profiling?**

No, the CoR will not use your personal data to make automated decisions about you. "Automated decisions" are defined as decisions made without human intervention. ]

**11. Will your personal data be further processed for a purpose other than that for which data have been obtained?**

No, your personal data will not be further processed for a different purpose. ]

**12. Who do I contact if I have queries or complaints?**

If you have any further questions about the processing of your personal data, please contact the data controller via [onestopshop@cor.europa.eu](mailto:onestopshop@cor.europa.eu).

You may also contact the CoR data protection officer ([data.protection@cor.europa.eu](mailto:data.protection@cor.europa.eu)) and/or the European Data Protection Supervisor ([edps@edps.europa.eu](mailto:edps@edps.europa.eu)) at any time.