

Information pursuant to the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) for participating companies of the CMS Plus

Messe Berlin GmbH attaches great importance to data protection. This data protection notice informs you about the processing of the personal data in the registration of participating companies in connection with CMS Plus. This notice supplements our General Data Protection Policy, which can be found on our website at <https://www.messe-berlin.de/en/ExtraPages/DataProtection/>. For special cases of data processing there may be separate data protection notices, in particular for the digital event platform.

1. Controller and data protection officer

Messe Berlin GmbH, Messedamm 22, 14055 Berlin, Germany, e-mail: central@messe-berlin.de, is the entity responsible (the so-called controller) within the meaning of the GDPR for the processing of the personal data of the of participating companies of the CMS Plus as described in this notice. If you have any queries relating to data protection, please feel free to contact our group data protection officer (address: as above; e-mail: datenschutz@messe-berlin.de).

2. Categories of personal data

The following categories of data are collected during the registration of participating companies: name, legal form, address and contact data of the participating company, type of business, name and contact details of the contact persons as well as the products and services requested, named product groups and contractual provisions, other company data such as the legal representatives, VAT ID and billing information, including in the VAT form.

Participating companies and their contact persons can additionally upload further details in the online registration and profile creation for publication on the digital event platform. For further details on the processing of data in the digital event platform, see the separate data protection notices there.

Besides the aforementioned self-uploaded data personal technical usage data, in particular log data, including activities and time stamps, are automatically processed when using the digital event platform.

When you register for another person (third party) or provide a third party's data (e.g., contact details of a contact person) you ensure and assure that you are authorized to provide these data to the Messe Berlin GmbH and that Messe Berlin GmbH may lawfully process those data for the purposes mentioned in section 3 below and that the third party/ies concerned have been sufficiently informed by you about the processing of their personal data pursuant to this notice.

3. Purposes and legal basis of processing

3.1. Performance of the contract

We process the personal data for the purpose of establishing and performing the contract of the participating company with Messe Berlin GmbH (legal basis: Art. 6 (1) (b) GDPR) or on the basis of our legitimate interest to communicate with the participating company and to optimize the participating company presence at the event and online on the digital event platform as well as the data and information published by the participating company on the digital event platform for documentation/archiving and marketing purposes (legal basis: Art. 6 (1) (f) GDPR).

We process the contract data and information in the VAT form for compliance with our legal obligations under applicable tax and trade laws and regulations (legal basis: Art. 6 (1) (c) GDPR).

3.2. Assistance for participating companies established outside Germany

Insofar as the participating company is established outside Germany, we will transmit the data for the purpose of providing advice to the competent foreign representative of Messe Berlin in the respective country. This representative will be available as your local contact, in particular for providing information in connection with the event, including subsequent events (see in section 3.3 below), and support at the event. You can find the foreign representative responsible for your country [here](#).

The transmission of the personal data is based on the performance of our contract with the participating company (legal basis: Art. 6 (1) (b) GDPR).

3.3. Making contact by e-mail or post for information and advertising purposes by Messe Berlin group companies

Furthermore, we process the personal data for the purpose of contacting you in order to provide the participating companies with information concerning the trade fair/event and information on opening, side and subsequent events. Subsequent events also include other trade fairs and events organized or held by Messe Berlin GmbH or other [Messe Berlin group companies](#) in Germany and abroad. We also process the personal data for purposes of market research and online surveys. The processing is carried out on the basis of our legitimate interest in providing our participating companies with support before, during and after the trade fair or event and in advertising identical and similar products or services from the trade fair portfolio of the Messe Berlin group of companies (legal basis: Art. 6 (1) (f) GDPR).

4. Categories of recipients of the data

As described in sections 3.2 and 3.3 above, we will transmit the personal data to foreign representatives or other companies of the Messe Berlin group of companies for the afore-mentioned purposes.

In order to carry out certain processing activities in connection with the purposes mentioned in section 3 (in particular some special services, dispatch of documents/mailings, market research/customer surveys, hosting and IT support, data management) we make use of external service providers and subsidiaries which process the personal data on our behalf (so-called "processors").

If persons who are subject to special personal protection by the Federal Criminal Police Office (BKA) or the State Criminal Police Office (LKA) (e.g. constitutional bodies of the Federal Government such as the Federal President or the Federal Government or foreign guests) take part in an event, all event participants may be subject to a check by the BKA or LKA. In the course of such a check, the BKA or LKA may request data such as name, company/organisation and function from us.

In the event of incidents, disturbances, emergencies and crises, we may also pass on your data to the police, law enforcement agencies, fire department and rescue services, other authorities (e.g. the public health department) as well as the company fire department, the security and order service and the ambulance service. Internally, your data may be disclosed to the respective project managers, the control and security center and other departments of Messe Berlin GmbH involved in emergency and crisis management.

For further recipients of the data in connection with the digital event platform please see the respective data protection notices. The platform integrates certain technology of third party providers and when uploading or using data on websites, in social media channels (e.g. LinkedIn, Twitter, YouTube) or in mailings or broadcast on the digital event platform the data are accessible worldwide by users, website visitors or recipients as well as the third party providers and can be downloaded and further used by them for purposes which we cannot control.

For compliance with tax and trade laws and regulations, we share your personal data with the tax and other relevant public and regulatory authorities.

5. Data transfer to third countries

Some of the foreign representatives, companies of the Messe Berlin group of companies, processors as well as third party providers of social media are located in third countries outside the EU, which do not provide the same level of data protection as the EU, in particular due to the absence of a legal framework, independent supervisory authorities or data protection rights and remedies. We will only transfer personal data to those third countries if the European Commission ("EU Commission") has adopted a so-called adequacy decision in this respect (Art. 45 GDPR) or otherwise where appropriate safeguards in accordance with Art. 46 GDPR have been provided, in particular standard data protection clauses adopted by the EU Commission pursuant to Art. 46 (2) (c) GDPR and, where necessary, supplementary measures. A copy of the safeguards can be obtained upon request (e.g., by e-mail – for contact details see section 1 above).

The data transmission to the foreign representatives, other users, website visitors, recipients and third party providers of social media is necessary for the performance of a contract (Art. 49 (1) (b/c) GDPR); otherwise it takes place on the basis of your explicit consent to the transfer despite the missing level of adequate data protection in the third country outside the EU and the risks associated with this (Art. 49 (1) (a) GDPR).

6. Storage period

Stored personal data will be erased, once they are no longer needed for achieving the relevant purpose of their processing. In so far as the processing takes place on the basis of consent or a legitimate interest of Messe Berlin GmbH, the data in question will no longer be processed for the purpose in question, and where appropriate, erased after receipt of your revocation of your consent or your objection to the processing, unless the conditions for a statutory exception are met. Notwithstanding the foregoing, personal data which are subject to retention obligations under trade or tax laws will only be deleted after the expiry of the statutory retention periods.

7. Your rights

Pursuant to Art. 12-21 GDPR, you can assert the following data subject rights at any time: the right to access, rectification and erasure of your personal data, the right to data portability and to restriction of processing. If you have given us your consent, you can revoke this consent at any time with effect for the future.

Right of objection

If the processing is based on legitimate interests, you have the right to object to the processing of your personal data for reasons relating to your particular situation. Furthermore, you may object to the processing of the personal data and their use for marketing purposes at any time.

To exercise your rights you can contact the controller (for contact details see section 1 above or cms@messe-berlin.de). If you are of the opinion that the data processing violates data protection law, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the competent supervisory authority of your choice (Art. 77 GDPR in conjunction with section 19 of the German Federal Data Protection Act (*Bundesdatenschutzgesetz*)).