

DATA PROTECTION DECLARATION

Date: March 22, 2019

We process your data exclusively on the basis of the statutory provisions (DSG 2018, Telecommunications Act and EU-DSGVO). In this data protection declaration we inform you about the type, scope and purpose of the processing of personal data (hereinafter referred to as 'data') within the framework of our website and the associated websites, functions and contents.

Who we are: *'Rethinking Academia'* is an initiative aimed at organizing events (e.g., panel discussions, talks) to raise awareness about the current structural controversies emerged within academics. The initiative is headed by an international group of young scientists, it was founded in 2019, and it is based in Austria. Further information can be found in the project's website.

Contact us: Should you have any concerns or questions regarding the processing of your personal data by our project, kindly contact us at rethinkingacademia@gmail.com.

1 Your rights with regard to your data

You have various rights with regard to the data stored by us:

- **Confirmation:** You have the right to request confirmation as to whether the data in question will be processed, and to request information about this data, further information, and a copy of the data in accordance with Art. 15 DSGVO.
- **Correction:** In accordance with art. 16 DSGVO, you have the right to request the completion of the data concerning you or the correction of inaccurate data concerning you.
- **Deletion:** In accordance with Art. 17 DSGVO, you have the right to demand the data concerned to be deleted immediately or, alternatively, in accordance with Art. 18 DSGVO, the processing of the data to be restricted.
- **Right of access:** You have the right to receive the data relating to you in accordance with Art. 20 DSGVO and to demand its transfer to other persons responsible.
- **Complaint:** If you believe that the processing of your data violates the data protection law, or that your data protection claims have otherwise been violated in any way, you can complain to us. Even if we do our best to protect your data, there may be differences of opinion with regard to this. If you are of the opinion that we do

not use your data in a permissible manner, you are of course also free to complain to the Austrian data protection authority in accordance with Art. 77 DSGVO.

- **Right of revocation:** You have the right to revoke consents granted pursuant to Art. 7 para. 3 DSGVO with effect for the future.
- **Right of objection:** You may object at any time to the future processing of the data concerning you in accordance with Art. 21 DSGVO.

Please contact us if you have any of these concerns. In order to prevent breaches of data protection, we will generally require proof of identity when asserting the aforementioned rights.

2 Collection and processing of your personal data

The legislator's definitions of the following terms can also be found in Art. 4 DSGVO.

Personal data: 'Personal data' refers to any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (hereinafter 'data subject'). An identifiable natural person is one who can be identified directly or indirectly, in particular by association with an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier (*e.g.*, a cookie). In order to improve our online services, we store your access data to this website (without personal reference). Nevertheless, you may also visit this website without providing any personal information.

Processing: The term 'Processing' refers to any operation or set of operations which is carried out with or without the aid of automated procedures and which is related to personal data. The term is broad and covers practically every handling of data. We process your personal data only with the express permission of the users concerned or only on the basis of one of the cases provided for by law pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 DSGVO (lawfulness of processing).

Types of data processed:

- Inventory data (*e.g.*, names);
- Contact data (*e.g.*, e-mail, telephone numbers);
- Usage data (*e.g.*, websites visited, interest in content, access times);
- Photos taken at events.

Categories of data subjects: Affected persons are visitors and users of the online offer as well as those who fill out our specially offered contact form. (In the following, we will refer to the data subjects collectively as 'users'.)

Purpose of processing:

- To optimize the online offer, its functions and contents;
- Answer contact requests and communicate with users;
- Photos are published on our website and in social media channels to present our activities.

3 Access data

We, the website operator, collect data on access to the website based on our legitimate interest (see Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f. DSGVO) and store these as 'server log files' on the server of the website. The following data is logged in this way:

- Visited website;
- Date and time of access;
- IP address used.

The server log files are stored for a maximum of 7 days and then deleted. The data is stored for security reasons, *e.g.*, to clarify cases of misuse. If data have to be deleted for reasons of proof, they are excluded from deletion until the incident has been finally clarified.

4 Transfer of data to third parties

If we disclose data to other persons and companies in the course of our processing, transfer them to them, or grant them access to the data, this will only be done on the basis of a legal permit and if you have specifically consented to it, or a legal obligation provides for it, or on the basis of our legitimate interests, or the legitimate interests of a third party.

Project partners and other third parties: For example, third parties are national, international/European project partners. If your data is passed on to third parties, we will in turn advise them to comply with the applicable data protection regulations. Please note that we select our partners with the utmost care.

Declaration of consent: 'Consent' refers to any freely given, informed and unequivocal statement of intention, in the form of a statement or other unequivocal affirmative act, in which the data subject indicates his/her consent to the processing of his/her personal data, in a particular case.

5 Cookies

'Cookies' are files that stored on the user's computer which are primarily used to store information about a user (or the device on which the cookie is stored) during or after the user's visit to an online service. Different data can be stored within the cookies. For the purpose of analysing the use of the website and for the purpose of user handling in the administration area of the website, the IP data of the connection owner is stored within the framework of cookies.

The use of cookies increases the user-friendliness and security of this website. Nevertheless, the use of the website is enables also without cookies. If you do not wish cookies to be stored on your end device, you can object to the use of these files by deleting any cookies from your device.

6 Contact us

If you contact us via the contact options offered (*i.e.*, via the contact form, or via e-mail), the contact enquiry and its processing will be processed in accordance with Art. 6 para. 1 lit. b) DSGVO. This data will not be passed on to third parties without your consent. User data may be stored in a customer relationship management system ("CRM system") or comparable inquiry organisation.

7 Security and integrity of your data

We take appropriate technical and organisational measures concerning the security of your data in accordance with Art. 32 DSGVO, taking into account the state of the art, the implementation costs and the type, extent, circumstances and purposes of the processing as well as the different probability of occurrence and severity of the risk to the rights and freedoms of natural persons, to ensure a level of protection appropriate to the risk. These measures include, in particular, safeguarding the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data by controlling physical access to the data as well as access to, input, transmission, availability and separation of the data concerning them. Your data will be processed on servers within the European Union.

8 Data storage or deletion of data

The data processed by us will be deleted, or their processing restricted, in accordance with Art. 17 and 18 DSGVO. If there are no legal storage obligations, we will delete your data as soon as they are no longer required for their intended purpose. If the data are not deleted because they are required for other and legally permissible purposes, their processing will be restricted. This means that the data will be blocked and not processed for other purposes. This applies, for example, to data that must be stored for commercial or tax reasons.

9 Changes to the Privacy Policy

We reserve the right to amend this data protection declaration in order to adapt it to changed legal situations or to changes in our offers and the data processing associated with them.