

National Focal Point
European Economic Area Financial Mechanism

Privacy Policy

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The National Focal Point of the European Economic Area Financial Mechanism (NFP) was created by Council of Ministers Resolution No. 39/2017 of March 10th, rectified by Rectification Declaration No. 14/2017 of April 24th. The Council of Ministers Resolution No. 73/2023, of July 17th 2023 entered into force, establishing the National Management Unit of the European Economic Area Financial Mechanism 2021-2027.

In accordance with the provisions of the European Economic Area Financial Mechanism Regulation 2014-2021 and the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between Portugal and the Donor Countries (Norway, Liechtenstein, and Iceland) on 22 of May 2017, the National Focal Point has the overall responsibility to ensure that the Programmes contribute to the achievement of the objectives and ensure the implementation of the commitments of the MoU.

The Data Privacy Policy demonstrates the commitment and responsibility of the NFP in protecting the personal data that is collected and processed in the exercise of its duties, in compliance with the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and the Council of 27 April 2016, which entered into force in 25 May 2018, on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such (GDPR) and Law No. 58/2019, from August 8th, in its latest version, ensuring the implementation at the national level of the GDPR.

The personal data provided to the NFP during interactions with its services will be treated with the security and confidentiality guarantees required by the legal framework regarding the protection of personal data.

Data Protection Officer

In the context of the application of the General Data Protection Regulation, José Manuel dos Santos Carrascozinho Bonito Viegas, senior legal technician of the staff of the General Secretariat of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, was appointed Data Protection Officer by Dispatch No. 1933-A/2023, of February 8 (published in the Official Gazette No. 28/2023, 1st Supplement, 2nd Series, of February 8).

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Scope

The Privacy Policy applies to the data collected and processed by the NFP in the exercise of its duties, namely through:

- the official EEA Grants website (<https://www.eeagrants.gov.pt/pt/>)
- the EEA Grants application
- communications, requests, and applications addressed to it, by any means
- initiatives and activities promoting the EEA Grants

Data Collection and Processing

The processing of personal data is carried out within the scope of the purposes for which they were collected or for purposes that are compatible with such collection.

The NFP only collects, uses, and retains personal data that are necessary, adequate, relevant, and limited to the purpose in question, treating personal data for legally provided purposes and does not proceed to any transmission of personal data.

In strict respect for privacy, the personal data collected and processed will be only those necessary provide services within the scope of the NFP, based on the legal framework for collection, including the consent of the data subject.

Access and Control of Personal Data

Upon request from the data subject, the NFP guarantees the right to access, update, rectify or delete of its personal data, as well as the exercise of the right to make objections to the processing of their personal data.

The use of personal data based on consent gives the data subject the right to withdraw it, without affecting the validity of the data processing carried out until that moment.

At any time, through the NFP (eeagrants.geral <geral@eeagrants.gov.pt>), the data subject can request:

- Information about their data;
- Information about the processing;
- The underlying purpose of the processing;
- Correction, or updating, of data;
- Their data in an open format;

- Deletion of data, without prejudice to the applicable legislation to the processing in question.

Personal Data Archive

Your personal data is kept by the NFP for the period necessary for processing, according to the respective purpose and the terms of the applicable legislation, namely those resulting from the implementation of the 2014-2021 Financial Mechanism, which must be kept for a period of three years after the formal closure of the Mechanism.

The retention periods may change if duly justified public interest, historical, scientific, or statistical reasons, with the NFP committing to adopt adequate conservation and security measures.

Cookies and Similar Technologies

The NFP uses cookies and other similar technologies on its websites that improve the performance and browsing experience of its Users, by increasing the speed and efficiency of response, and by eliminating the need to repeatedly enter the same information.

Placing cookies helps websites recognize the User's device on the next visit and is often essential for its operation.

Cookies used by the NFP do not collect personal information that allows identifying the User, storing only generic information, namely the form or region/city of access, among others.

The information generated by the use of cookies may be sent to third parties for trend analysis, navigation tracking, and their performance, without, however, identifying any individual. Users can prevent the use of cookies in the browser settings. This option may condition some features or the performance of certain tools.

Change to Security and Privacy Policy

This privacy policy, which should be read carefully, may be amended and the changes take effect from the date of its publication, with express reference to the date of update.