



PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA

This privacy statement provides information about the processing and the protection of your personal data.

Processing operation: Processing of personal data in the framework of the organisation of the EDCTP Forum 2027, including submission, management and evaluation of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia, event registration, online networking, in-person participation and promotion of the event.

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1. Introduction

The protection of your privacy is of high importance to Global Health EDCTP3 JU. Global Health EDCTP3 JU is committed to respecting and protecting your personal data and ensuring your privacy rights.

All data of a personal nature processed by Global Health EDCTP3 JU within the framework of the organisation of the EDCTP Forum 2027, including registration, management and evaluation of abstracts and scientific symposia, workshops, event registration, online networking, in-person participation, and promotion of the event, namely data that can identify you directly or indirectly, will be handled fairly, lawfully and with due care.

This processing operation is subject to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data. The information in this communication is given pursuant to Articles 15 and 16 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

This privacy statement provides detailed information on all types of data that Global Health EDCTP3 JU will process during the EDCTP Forum 2027, organised by Global Health EDCTP3 JU and EDCTP Association.

2. Controller/Joint controllers/Processors

The relevant processing operation is under the responsibility of the Executive Director of Global Health EDCTP3, acting as the Data Controller. Your personal data are processed on the basis of applicable data protection legislation by Global Health EDCTP3 JU, located Avenue de la Toison d'Or, 1060 Brussels, Belgium. Global Health EDCTP3 JU can be contacted by post (postal address TO-56, B-1049, Brussels, Belgium) or by email to Info@global-health-edctp3.europa.eu

Global Health EDCTP3 JU has appointed a Data Protection Officer (DPO). The task of the DPO is to ensure, in an independent manner, that the Union body complies with the data protection law and protects individuals' rights and freedoms by protecting effectively their personal data. The DPO of Global Health EDCTP3 JU can be contacted by post (postal address TO-56, B-1049, Brussels, Belgium) or by email to data-protection@global-health-edctp3.europa.eu.

The EDCTP Association (Anna van Saksenlaan, 51 - 2593 HW, the Hague, the Netherlands) will co-organise this event and will be involved in the registration, management and evaluation of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia. Global Health EDCTP3 JU and EDCTP Association act as Joint controllers in this regard. You can find more detailed information about EDCTP Association and their privacy on their [website](#).

For the practical organisation of the EDCTP Forum 2027, including registration, management and evaluation of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia, event registration, online networking, in-person participation, and promotion of the event, WMH Project (WMH) will act on behalf of Global Health EDCTP3 as Processor, based in France (4 Place des Saisons – Tour Alto, 92400 Courbevoie, France). A local Sub-processor will support the Processor of Global Health EDCTP3, WMH Group, to print to the badges.

WMH uses EventsAir, which is the platform used for abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia submission and evaluation, for registration and for online networking provided by Centium Software ("Sub-processor", address: 60 Brandl St, Brisbane Technology Park, Eight Mile Plains, Queensland 4113, Australia).

Global Health EDCTP3 may also share personal data with *BMJ Public Health* (BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JR, UK), which will act as Processor, with a view of publishing abstracts in scientific publication.

3. Why and how do we process your personal data?

Global Health EDCTP3 JU will process your personal data when you register in the platform (EventsAir) for the abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia submission, to organise and manage the abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia submission and for the purpose of their evaluation. Global Health EDCTP3 JU will also process your data when you register to attend the event (EventsAir), and use the online networking platform (EventsAir).

Global Health EDCTP3 JU will also publish and promote on its communication channels (website, newsletter and social media) materials related to EDCTP Forum 2027 (abstracts, posters, pictures, videos and recordings) and promote them on social media (LinkedIn, Bluesky, YouTube and X). The photos of the event will also be made available on a dedicated platform for photo sharing.

Upon your explicit consent, Global Health EDCTP3 may also share your personal data with *BMJ Public Health* with a view of publishing your abstract in this scientific publication.

In particular, the following personal data will be processed for the following purposes:

Submission, management and evaluation of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia

Global Health EDCTP3 JU processes your personal data when you register via the platform (EventsAir) for the submission of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia, to organise and manage the abstracts, workshops and symposia submission and for the purpose of their evaluation.

For the submission, management and evaluation of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia, the following data will be processed:

- Title, first name, family name, organisation, function in the organisation, email, country and address.

Based on your explicit consent, your name, family name and organisation, could be published together with your scientific poster at the venue of the Forum and could be announced as part of the EDCTP Forum 2027 poster competition.

After the event, and as long as you consent to this, your personal data related to your abstract and symposia submission could be shared for publication with *BMJ Public Health*.

The EDCTP Association will also be involved in the processing of your personal data. They will co-organise the event and they will be responsible for the management of abstracts, workshops, and scientific symposia.

Event registration and online networking

Global Health EDCTP3 JU processes participants' contact details via the platform EventsAir for the purpose of registering to the event, managing participation and supporting online networking. For the registration of participants and online networking the following personal data will be processed:

For the registration of regular delegates:

- Title, first name, family name, organisation, organisation type, function in the organisation, email, nationality, country of residence, gender, role in EDCTP Forum 2027, any previous

attendance, whether the data subject is participant in Global Health EDCTP3 or EDCTP2 grants, grant number, reasons to attend the event.

- Special category data (e.g., health data): such as, the potential request for wheelchair accessibility.

For the registration of invited speakers:

- Title, first name, family name, organisation, organisation type, function in the organisation, email, nationality, country of residence, photo, gender, any previous attendance, whether the data subject is participant in Global Health EDCTP3 or EDCTP2 grants, grant number, reasons to attend the event, contact phone number, short bio.
- Special category data (e.g., health data): such as, the potential request for wheelchair accessibility.

In case of sponsored participants, the following personal data are processed for reimbursement purposes:

- Title, first name, family name, organisation, organisation type, function of the organisation, email, nationality, country of residence, date of birth, passport number, passport expiry date, passport citizenship, city/airport of departure, country of departure, preferred departure date and time, preferred return date and time, bank details and address for reimbursement purposes, individual information on the mode of transport and accommodation such as check-in and check-out dates, any specific travel arrangements.

The external contractor of Global Health EDCTP3 JU, event management company WMH Group, will process the personal data mentioned above as Processor on behalf of the Global Health EDCTP3 JU for the purposes of the registration and online networking.

For the registration to the event, the EventsAir platform will be used as Sub-processor. Personal data collected during the registration for the EDCTP Forum will be processed on servers located in the EU.

For the sponsored participants, the EDCTP Association and the processor, WMH Group, will also process the above data for preparing and delivering attendance certificates, booking travel and accommodation, and gathering signatures for the reimbursement of per diems, accommodation and travel costs.

A Sub-processor will support the Global Health EDCTP3 JU processor, WMH Group, to print to the badges. The personal data that will be shared with the Sub-processor are the following:

- Title, first name, family name, organisation, function in the organisation, country and registration number (not to be printed on the badge). Badges will be delivered to participants at the registration desk.

Promotion of the event

Based on your consent, Global Health EDCTP3 JU may take photos and videos of the event and publish them on Global Health EDCTP3 website, newsletter and social media (LinkedIn, Bluesky, YouTube and X).

Videos and pictures will be taken during the event, and parts of it may be recorded and/or web-streamed. If you are not a speaker, you will appear in videos or pictures only if you give your consent in the registration form. The photos and videos will be made available on a dedicated platform for photo sharing.

The Sub-processor of Global Health EDCTP3 JU will process your data for the purposes of making the videos, taking the photos and organising the web-streaming.

4. Categories of data subjects

- Any natural person participating in the EDCTP Forum 2027 – either by submitting an abstract, workshop and/or symposium application and/or by attending in person.
- Global Health EDCTP3 JU and EDCTP Association staff members participating in the organisation of the EDCTP Forum 2027, including registration, management and evaluation of abstracts, workshops and scientific symposia, event registration, online networking, in-person participation, and promotion of the event.

5. Which personal data do we collect and further process and on which legal grounds?

- Global Health EDCTP3 JU relies on consent as outlined in Article 5.1(d) of Regulation 2018/1725 for your registration to the event, your online networking, your in-site participation, and/or the publication of your personal data as part of the scientific poster at the venue of the Forum and the sharing of personal data of abstracts and symposia submitters with scientific publishers. By registering yourself to the event, to the online networking and/or by sending your abstract, you provide your consent to Global Health EDCTP3 JU to process your data for the relevant purpose.
- Global Health EDCTP3 JU relies on consent as outlined in Article 5.1(d) of Regulation 2018/1725 for the processing of your personal data for promotion and networking purposes. You will be requested to provide your consent for your image to be taken in the photos/videos by ticking a checkbox in the registration form, while you are registering for the event. For those participants that did not provide their consent to the Global Health EDCTP3, lanyards of a different colour will be provided at the registration desk/reception of the venue in order for the photographer to easily identify them.
- Global Health EDCTP3 JU relies on its public interest as outlined in Article 5.1 (a) of Regulation 2018/1725 for the processing of personal data of the Global Health EDCTP3 staff members regarding the overall organisation of the Forum. The applicable legislation for the processing in question is Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe, including Global Health EDCTP3, in particular Article 19(6).

6. Who has access to your personal data and to whom is it disclosed?

Personal data depending on its type and the purpose of its processing is made accessible only on a need-to-know basis to Global Health EDCTP3 JU staff members and possibly external providers, their subcontractors and the general public respectively.

More specifically, the recipients of personal data at Global Health EDCTP3 JU can be:

- Executive Director, Assistant of the Executive Director, Legal Officer and Data Protection Officer(s) and Communication team;
- External evaluators or experts assisting the Global Health EDCTP3 JU in the abstracts, workshops and/or symposia evaluation;
- The responsible EDCTP Association staff as the Association is a co-organiser of the event;
- Auditors;
- European Commission and its services;
- EDPS and Police where required.

Apart from Global Health EDCTP3 JU, the rest recipients may process your personal data for their own purposes as independent data controllers.

Global Health EDCTP3 JU will also use some third parties, such as WMH, which is responsible for the overall organisation of the EDCTP Forum 2027, and EventsAir, which is the platform used for abstracts, workshops, symposia, registrations management and online networking. As mentioned, WMH is a Processor and Centium Software who provides the EventsAir platform a Sub-processor of Global Health EDCTP3 JU and act on documented instructions of Global Health EDCTP3 JU. Lastly, a Sub-processor will support the Processor of Global Health EDCTP3 JU, WMH Group, to print to the badges.

7. How long do we keep your personal data?

Your personal data are only processed for as long as needed to achieve the purposes listed under Heading 3 above, or until you withdraw your consent to their processing.

The personal data of applicants whose abstracts and/or symposia applications are selected will be retained for five (5) years after the conclusion of the EDCTP Forum 2027. The personal data of applicants whose abstracts and/or symposia applications are not selected will be deleted following the publication of the evaluation results.

8. How do we protect and safeguard your personal data?

We do our utmost to process only those personal data which are necessary to achieve the purposes listed under Heading 3 above.

We will take appropriate technical and organisational measures to keep your personal data safe from unauthorised access or theft as well as accidental loss tampering or destruction. Access by our personnel or third parties' personnel will only be on a need-to-know basis. Access control and technical measures such as physical locks and/or secure connections and firewalls are also applied.

9. Transfers to a third country or international organisation

In principle, we process your personal data within Europe or the European Economic Area (EEA). Where personal data is transferred to a recipient located outside the European Union or the European Economic Area, and where no adequacy decision has been adopted by the European Commission, such transfers are carried out in accordance with Chapter V of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 (EUDPR). In particular, for transfers from the Processor to the EventsAir, namely the Sub-processor located in Australia, appropriate safeguards are in place, based on specific instructions to the Processor, including the use of Standard Contractual Clauses (SCCs) adopted by the European Commission, prior to the transfer, supplemented where necessary by additional technical and organisational measures to ensure a level of protection essentially equivalent to that guaranteed within the European Union.

In the context of publishing your abstract in this scientific publication, Global Health EDCTP3 JU may share your personal data with BMJ Public Health based in the United Kingdom, and as such, transfers of personal data from the EU/EEA to the UK may take place. However, the United Kingdom currently benefits from an adequacy decision adopted by the European Commission, and therefore an adequate level of data protection is deemed to be ensured for such transfers.

10. What are your rights and how to exercise them?

You have specific rights as a 'data subject' under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725. In particular:

- You have the right to request access to all personal data processed by us pertaining to you.
- You have the right to rectification, i.e. to ask that any personal data pertaining to you that are inaccurate, be corrected.
- You have the right to withdraw your consent for processing of your personal data.
- You have the right to erasure, i.e. to request that personal data pertaining to you be deleted if these data are no longer required in the light of the purposes outlined above in Heading 3.
- You have the right to restriction instead of deletion, i.e. to request that we limit the processing of your personal data.
- You have the right to object to the processing of personal data if the processing by us is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest, unless if we demonstrate compelling legitimate grounds which override your interests, rights and freedoms or for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims.
- You have the right to data portability, i.e. to receive from us in a structured, commonly-used and machine-readable format all personal data you have provided to us if the processing is based on your consent or a contract with you and the processing is carried out by automated means.

If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact Global Health EDCTP3 Data Protection Officer by post (postal address TO-56, B-1049, Brussels, Belgium) or by email to data-protection@global-health-edctp3.europa.eu

The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)

If you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by Global Health EDCTP3 JU, as a data subject, you have a right to recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) at any time by e-mail to edps@edps.europa.eu or a letter to the EDPS postal address marked for the attention of the EDPS DPO:

European Data Protection Supervisor
Rue Wiertz 60
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For full details on how to proceed, please consult the following [page](#).

For more information on the EDPS, please consult their website: <https://www.edps.europa.eu>.

11. Where to find more detailed information?

Global Health EDCTP3 JU Data Protection Officer (DPO) publishes the Register of all processing operations on personal data by Global Health EDCTP3 JU on the Global Health EDCTP3 JU's website. The Register can be found [here](#).

This specific processing operation has been included in Global Health EDCTP3 JU Public Register with the following Record reference: DPO-03-06a)