Privacy notice of the committees of the German Bundestag

This privacy notice informs you about the collection and processing of your personal data by the Administration of the German Bundestag, informs you of your rights and enables you to take an informed decision on how your personal data is handled.

Data controller

The data controller is the German Bundestag. Its contact details are as follows:

Deutscher Bundestag
Platz der Republik 1
11011 Berlin
Tel.: +49 30 227-0
Email: mail@bundestag.de

Its data protection officer can be reached at the above postal address by adding “An den behördlichen Datenschutzbeauftragten”, at the above telephone number, or at the email address datenschutz.bdb@bundestag.de.

Data processing purposes and legal bases

We process the data you provide, including your contact details (name, address, telephone number, email address), so that we can contact you, and to perform the German Bundestag’s public interest tasks (Article 6 (1), first sentence, letter (e) of the GDPR, Section 3 of the Federal Data Protection Act (BDSG)).

Forwarding of information and documents

1. Where necessary for appropriate processing, correspondence with the committee is forwarded to the committee members, spokespersons, parliamentary groups, Petitions Committee and/or other authorised persons.

2. Statements by persons heard by a committee or other body which are submitted for public hearings, in particular the statements of experts, are distributed to authorised persons, particularly at the Bundestag and Bundesrat and within the Federal Government, and are made available on the Intranet and website of the German Bundestag.

3. The Police of the German Bundestag carry out background checks on persons whose names have been passed on by committees as persons requiring entry to the premises of the German Bundestag.
Bundestag on the basis of Rule 2 (6c) of the Internal Regulations of the German Bundestag; in particular by accessing the Information System of the Police of the German Bundestag and the INPOL Police Information System. The personal data provided to allow entry to the premises (first and second name, date of birth) is erased or destroyed once the visit has ended.

4. If you are heard by a committee or another body of the German Bundestag, particularly as an expert, a person furnishing information or a witness, and you are entitled to receive payment, it is necessary for us to transfer your data to the Federal Cash Office (Bundeskasse) for the payment of remuneration and the reimbursement of travel expenses.

Retention period

We store your data on the basis of our documentation and retention obligations, which are established by the filing plan of the Administration of the German Bundestag, in particular. The retention period is at least five years. After this period, we erase your data unless it remains necessary for us to retain it for the purposes stated above.

Documents may be transferred to the Parliamentary Archives for archiving purposes in the public interest upon expiry of the retention periods. Their further retention takes place in accordance with Article 17 (3) (d) GDPR. Further details are regulated in the Archive Regulations of the German Bundestag and the Regulations on the Use of the Parliamentary Archives.

Rights of data subjects

You can contact us at the above address to obtain access to the personal data concerning you which has been stored (Article 15 GDPR) and, subject to certain conditions, to obtain the rectification (Article 16 GDPR) or erasure (Article 17 GDPR) of your data. You may also have the right to obtain restriction of processing of your data (Article 18 GDPR) and the right to receive the data you have provided in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format (Article 20 GDPR).

You also have the right to object, on grounds relating to your particular situation, to lawful processing of your personal data for which a legal basis exists (Article 21 GDPR). You do not have the right to object if there is a compelling public interest in the processing which overrides your interests, or if the processing is required by law.

In addition, you have the right to contact a data protection supervisory authority. The competent supervisory authority is:

The Federal Commissioner for Data Protection and Freedom of Information (Bundesbeauftragte für den Datenschutz und die Informationsfreiheit) in Bonn
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