

eNABLS Standard Privacy Policy

1. About eNABLS

1.1. The Project

The eNABLS project, funded by the EU, is spanning three years. It aims to establish networks and foster collaboration to advance transdisciplinary dialogue. It seeks to further promote the adoption and implementation of Nature-based solutions (NBS) principles and strategies across universities, vocational schools, professional domains, and broader society. It addresses the growing imperative for cooperative efforts in learning and skill development to enhance environmental sustainability.

The establishment of seven Living Labs (in Germany, the Netherlands, Finland, Austria, Lithuania, Greece, and the Czech Republic) is envisioned as a comprehensive approach that ensures inclusivity and participation from all stakeholders. The objective is to mainstream biodiversity and NBS within higher education and Technical and Vocational Education & Training (TVET) through the development and expansion of innovative teaching methods, learning experiences, and capacity-building initiatives that prioritize relational, systems-oriented, and practical approaches.

1.2. The Consortium

The eNABLS Consortium comprises eleven highly competent international partners consisting of *universities* with strong research programs in biodiversity, NBS and ecosystem services (UHOH, WUR, UEF, BOKU, VMU), *research institutions* (CERT, 3s), *associations of universities* (ICA), *TVET providers* (IDEA) and *advisors/hubs/multipliers* (FOCUS, HUB-CR) with expertise in a variety of sectors associated with biodiversity and ecosystem services. This diversity of expertise is essential to ensure that the proposal outcomes are pertinent, influential, and broadly shared.

Table 1: eNABLS partners with acronyms and country

No.	Partner	Acronym	Country
1	University of Hohenheim	UHOH	Germany
2	Wageningen University & Research	WUR	Netherlands
3	University of Eastern Finland	UEF	Finland
4	University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences	BOKU	Austria
5	Vytautas Magnus University	VMU	Lithuania
6	Association for European Life Sciences Universities	ICA	Belgium
7	3s Research & Consulting	3s	Austria
8	IDEA Training	IDEA	Greece
9	Centre for Research and Technology-Hellas (CERTH), Institute for Bio-Economy and Agri-Technology (iBO)	CERTH	Greece
10	FOCUS Strategic Thinking Consultants	FOCUS	Greece
11	BIOEAST HUB	HUB-CR	Czech Republic

2. Collection of Personal Data

Personal data is collected in the ENABLS project directly, including but not limited to the following cases:

- When an individual subscribes to our newsletter/s
- When an individual contacts us via email
- When an individual registers to attend a meeting/event that we host and when an individual attends such events
- When an individual participates in research (e.g., surveys, interviews) conducted by us
- When there is an established cooperative relationship with an individual
- When we provide professional services pursuant to our contract with the European Commission

The personal data is collected in the ENABLS project indirectly from a variety of sources, which include:

- Our research partners
- Our networks and contacts
- Public and open data sources (e.g., news articles, internet search)
- Social and professional networking sites (e.g., LinkedIn, Twitter, etc.)

2.1. Types of data

Data collection is required to ensure implementation of our project smoothly. We process the following categories of your personal data:

- Contact details (name/ surname, e-mail address, mobile phone number, country of residence)
- Professional information (occupation, organization, field of expertise)
- Demographics (e.g., age, gender, nationality)
- Information about what a person knows or believes
- Videos and photos (from individuals attending the ENABLS events)

The provision of your personal data is voluntary.

2.2. Use of personal data

We process your personal data for the following purposes:

- To conduct research (e.g., interviews, surveys)
- To disseminate our project results
- To process online requests or queries and communicate with individuals
- To send event and/or webinar invitations to individuals
- To administrate, maintain and secure information systems, websites and applications
- To comply with legal, and regulatory obligations

2.3. Legal basis for the processing of your personal data

The processing of your personal data is based on the following legal bases:

- Legal obligations – for processing activities to adhere to relevant national and European laws, as well as the legal and regulatory framework of the Horizon Europe Framework Programme for Research and Innovation of the European Union.
- Consent – for processing activities including surveys and interviews, and dissemination of project results.
- Contractual obligations – for processing activities such as reporting to the European Commission and complying with publicity obligations of the project.

2.4. Security of personal data

Several technical and organizational measures are applied to mitigate the security risks to your personal data. Some of these measures include but are not limited to the following points:

- We prepare data management plan and data protection policies to guide our personnel when processing your data.
- We share Non-Disclosure Agreements with our personnel.
- We have written contracts with the organizations that process your personal data on our behalf.
- We apply back-up process, access control mechanism.

2.5. Disclosure of personal data and place of processing

We may disclose your personal data to the following recipients or recipient groups:

- Parties that support us to provide our services such as cloud-based software services
- Our professional advisers, such as lawyers, auditors, and insurers
- Legal entities or other government and regulatory agencies or other third parties as required by and in accordance with applicable law or regulation
- The European Commission according to our relevant contractual obligations

2.6. Transfer of personal data outside the European Economic Area

The file servers we own are located in the European Economic Area (EEA). However, some partners may use marketing services or cloud situated both inside and outside of EEA. In this case, to ensure to comply with the relevant GDPR requirements, we always check the providers.

2.7. Your rights

- **You have the right to withdraw your consent in whole or in part at any time with effect for the future.** The lawfulness of any processing carried out before you withdraw your consent will not be affected.
- **You have a right to information about the processing of your personal data.** You can ask us to verify whether we are processing your personal data and, if so, have access to a copy of such data.

- **You have the right to rectification and erasure of your personal data.** If you believe the collected personal data contain incorrect or incomplete information about you, you can ask us to correct our current records. You also have the right to ask us to erase your personal data after you withdraw your consent or when the data is no longer needed for the purpose it was originally collected.
- **You have the right to restrict processing your personal data.** If you contest the accuracy of your personal data, prefer to restrict its use rather than having us erase it, or need us to preserve it for you to establish, exercise or defend a legal claim, you can ask us to temporarily restrict our processing of your personal data. You can ask us to inform you before the temporary processing restriction is lifted.
- **You have a right to data portability (Art. 20 GDPR).** You can ask us to transmit your personal data (in a structured, commonly used, and machine-readable format) directly to another entity.
- **You have the right object to the processing of your personal data in whole or in part at any time.** You can object to our use of your personal data for direct marketing purposes. However, it may be required to keep minimal information (e.g., your e-mail address) to comply with your request to cease marketing to you.
- **You have the right to lodge a complaint about handling practices of your personal data.** If you have any concerns about our handling of your personal data, you can make a complaint to your local Data Protection Authority (DPA). You may find the local DPA list here: https://ec.europa.eu/justice/article-29/structure/data-protection-authorities/index_en.htm

2.8. Personal data storage duration

Your personal data will be deleted in six months after the project's end.

2.9. Personal data from Minors

We do not knowingly collect, use, or disclose information from children under the age of 16. If we work with the data of minors, it is required to have the joint consent of the minor and the legally responsible person. Please inform us if you become aware that a child under 16 has provided us with personal information without the consent of a legally responsible person.

3. Revision of this Privacy Policy

As of 30.04.2024, this Privacy Policy is valid and we reserve the right to revise this Policy at any time.

4. Responsibility and contact options

University of Hohenheim is the responsible partner for data management in the ENABLS consortium.

You can contact us by email if you have questions on the collection and processing of your personal data: info@enabls.eu

We will examine your request in relation to relevant requirements of law and regulations on privacy and personal data protection. After we receive your request, we will answer the latest within 30 days. To ensure that your personal data will not be revealed to non-authorized parties, it will be required that you provide some of kind of identification such as photocopy of your identity card or passport. If we cannot respond to your request within 30 days, we will notify you.