

Data protection information – International Student Survey

We, the German Academic Exchange Service (Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst, DAAD) take protecting personal data and keeping them confidential very seriously. With this document we would therefore like to let you know how we will be using your personal data collected in our interviews on academic success and dropout phenomena, and what rights you have. Your data will be processed exclusively within the legal framework of the applicable data protection provisions, in particular the General Data Protection Regulation (hereinafter referred to as “GDPR”) and the German Data Protection Act (Bundesdatenschutzgesetz, hereinafter “BDSG”).

I. Who is responsible for processing my data, and who is the commissioner for data protection?

1. The controller responsible for processing your personal data is:

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Phone: (+49) 0228-882 0
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2. Contact details of our commissioner for data protection:

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Adenauerallee 136
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Germany
Phone: (+49) 0228-227 226 0
<https://www.scheja-partner.de/kontakt/kontakt.html>
www.scheja-partner.de

II. What data are subject to data protection?

Data protection applies to personal data. Personal data refers to any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person (known as the data subject). This includes information such as the data subject’s name, postal address, e-mail address or telephone number.

III. Which of my personal data will be processed?

In the context of your participation in an interview on the subject of academic success and dropout phenomena we will process only personal data which relates to the matter into consideration. These may include:

- contact data, including your name, your e-mail address, your telephone number and your Skype account data

IV. For what purposes and on what legal basis will my personal data be processed?

In the following we would like to give you an overview of the purposes of and legal basis for processing your personal data in the context of your participation in an interview on the subject of academic success and dropout phenomena:

1. Consent

We will process your personal data on the basis of your submitted Declaration of Consent. The purpose of our processing can be found in the content of this Declaration. You can view the content of the Declaration of Consent here

Your data will be processed based on Article 6 Par. 1 a) of the GDPR.

You may withdraw your consent at any time. However, please note that any such withdrawal only takes effect from that point forward and thus does not affect the lawfulness of data processing already performed on the basis of your previous consent.

We will delete your data when they are no longer required for our purposes, once the retention period given in the Declaration of Consent has ended, or if you withdraw your consent and no other legal basis for their retention applies. In the latter case, we will delete the data as soon as the other legal basis is no longer applicable.

2. Compliance with legal obligations

We may also process your personal data in order to comply with legal obligations arising e.g. from commercial, tax, financial or criminal law. In these cases, the purposes of our data processing follow from the respective legal obligation. Such processing will generally take place in order to comply with state monitoring and information requirements.

Your data will then be processed based on Article 6 Par. 1 c) of the GDPR.

We will delete your data once our legal obligation to retain them has ended, if no other legal basis for retention, in particular statutory or contractual retention periods, applies.

3. Processing in pursuit of legitimate interests

Where necessary, we will also process your personal data to pursue our legitimate interests. We will only process your personal data if, following careful consideration, we believe that our interest in processing your data outweighs your potentially opposing interests, basic rights and freedoms.

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Our legitimate interests lie in pursuing the aforementioned purposes.

In these cases your data will be processed based on Article 6 Par. 1 f) of the GDPR.

We will delete your data once it is no longer required for our purposes and no other legal basis for retention applies.

V. Am I required to provide my personal data?

In order to voluntarily participate in an interview on the subject of academic success and dropout phenomena you will have to provide the contact data necessary to participate in the interview or which we are legally obligated to process. Without these data we will be unable to conduct the interview. During the interview it is up to you what personal information you provide.

VI. Who has access to my personal data and which recipients will receive them?

Your personal data will only be accessible to departments/sections within our association that need such access to fulfil their functions or duties, and to the staff working in these departments/sections. The section in question is Section S15.

VII. Do you intend to transfer my data to third countries?

When you participate in the interview via Skype for Business your personal data will be transferred to Microsoft, whose headquarters or data processing site are not located in a member state of the European Union or another signatory to the Agreement on the European Economic Area. We will ensure before transmission that outside legally permissible exceptions the recipient either maintains an adequate level of data protection (e.g. through an adequacy decision by the European Commission, through suitable guarantees such as the recipient's certification as per the EU-US Privacy Shield, or by agreeing what are known as EU Standard Data Protection Clauses from the European Commission with the recipient) or that we have your express consent. The DAAD has agreed the EU Standard Contractual Clauses (processor) with Microsoft. Microsoft is moreover Privacy Shield certified. More information on the EU-US Privacy Shield is available under <https://www.privacyshield.gov>.

You can request that we provide you with a list of recipients in third countries and a copy of the provisions that have been agreed in each case to ensure an adequate level of data protection. To do so, please use the contact details given in I.1.

Please note that when using Skype, your personal data will be transferred to a third country. More information is available at the following link: <https://www.skype.com/en/legal/>

VIII. For how long will my personal data be stored?

You can find the retention period for your personal data in the relevant chapter on data processing under section IV.

IX. What are my rights as a data subject?

You have the following rights regarding the processing of your personal data:

1. Right to information

You have the right to obtain confirmation from us as to whether or not we process personal data on you. If we do, you have the right to access your personal data and the right to further information regarding their processing.

2. Right to rectification

You have the right to demand the rectification of any inaccurate personal data we hold on you and the right to demand that incomplete personal data be completed.

3. Right to erasure ("Right to be Forgotten")

Under certain circumstances you have the right to demand that we erase your personal data. You have this right for example if your personal data are no longer required for the purpose for which they were collected or otherwise processed, or if your personal data have been unlawfully processed.

4. Restriction of processing

Under certain circumstances you have the right to demand that we restrict our processing of your personal data. In this case we will only store those personal data for which you have given consent or for which the GDPR permits processing. You may for example have the right to restrict processing if you have contested the accuracy of your personal data.

5. Data portability

If you have provided us with personal data on the basis of a contract or a Declaration of Consent and the appropriate statutory requirements are met, you can demand that we send you the data you gave us in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format, or that we transfer them to a different controller.

6. Withdrawal of consent

If you have given us your consent to the processing of your personal data, you can withdraw this consent at any time with future effect. This does not however affect the lawfulness of any processing of your data conducted prior to your withdrawal of consent.

7. Objection to processing based on “legitimate interests”

You have the right to object, on grounds relating to your particular situation, at any time to the processing of personal data concerning you that is based on Art. 6 (1) f of the General Data Protection Regulation (data processing based on weighing of legitimate interests). If you lodge an objection, we will no longer process your personal data unless we can prove compelling grounds for processing that outweigh your interests, rights and freedoms, or the processing serves the purpose of establishing, exercising or defending legal claims.

8. Right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority

You can also lodge a complaint with the competent supervisory authority if you believe the processing of your data to be unlawful. To do so, you can contact the data protection authority responsible for your place of residence, your workplace or the location of the alleged infringement, or the data protection authority responsible for us. The responsible data protection authority is the supervisory authority of the federal state in which you reside, work, or in which the alleged infringement that is the subject of your complaint took place.

X. Whom can I contact if I have questions or to establish my rights as a data subject?

Should you have any questions on the processing of your personal data or the establishment of your rights as a data subject pursuant to section XI, par 1 - 7, you may contact us free of charge. To do so please use the contact data under section I no. 1. You can moreover always withdraw your consent via the same form of contact that you used to submit your Declaration of Consent.

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