



European Committee
of the Regions

Record of processing activity – Working document

EU Organic Award

PART 1 - Record

1. General Information

Reference number	RB1-1
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Controller	European Committee of the Regions
Directorate	Directorate B
Unit	B.1 NAT
Contact details	EuorganicawardsCoR@cor.europa.eu
Joint controller	The European Commission, Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development, the European Economic and Social Committee, the European Committee of the Regions, COPA-COGECA and IFOAM Organics Europe, jointly process personal data in the context of the organisation of the Organic Awards and have signed a joint controllership agreement for that purpose. The joint controllers are also referred to as "parties" in this RoPA.
Joint controllership arrangement	Available internally
DPO contact details	data.protection@cor.europa.eu
Processor(s)	N/A
Data processing agreement	Available internally

2. Purpose and description of the personal data processing

Purpose(s) of the personal data processing	<p>On 25 March 2021, the Commission adopted the "Action Plan for the Development of Organic Production" (COM(2021) 141). It did so in support of the achievement of the target of 25% of EU agricultural land under organic farming and a significant increase in organic aquaculture by 2030 included in both the Farm to Fork and Biodiversity Strategies.</p> <p>This Action Plan includes a number of actions related to "Promoting organic farming and the EU logo". These actions include an action to "stimulate the sector's visibility through awards recognising excellence in the organic food chain in the EU".</p> <p>It has been agreed between the Parties to collaborate for the organisation of these Awards.</p> <p>Personal data shall be processed by the Joint Controllers for the following purposes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Assessing the forms submitted by applicants.2. Shortlisting three applicants per award.3. Selecting one winner per award.4. Notifying the winners.
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	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Presenting each winner with their award. 6. Inviting winners to an award ceremony. 7. Communicating externally about the outcome of the contest. 8. Raising awareness among the general public about the next edition of the Awards. <p>Each Joint Controller is responsible for specific activities as follows:</p> <p>(a) Assessment of the forms submitted by applicants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Best organic region, city & bio-district: the CoR; – Best organic SME, food retailer & organic restaurant: the EESC; – Best organic farmer (male & female): Copa and Cogeca and IFOAM Organics Europe. <p>(b) Shortlisting of three applicants per award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Best organic region, city & bio-district: the CoR; – Best organic SME, food retailer & organic restaurant: the EESC; – Best organic farmer (male & female): Copa and Cogeca and IFOAM Organics Europe. <p>(c) Selection of one winner per award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all the Joint Controllers. <p>(d) Notification of the winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all the Joint Controllers. <p>(e) Presentation of each winner with their award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all the Joint Controllers. <p>(f) Invitation of applicants to an award ceremony:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all the Joint Controllers. <p>(g) Publication of the outcome of the contest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all the Joint Controllers. <p>(h) Awareness-raising of the general public about the next edition of the EU Organic Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – all the Joint Controllers. <p>Detailed information about the processing operations and related activities is provided in Annex I to the Joint Controllership Arrangement.</p>
<p>Categories of persons whose personal data are processed</p>	<p>For the awards under the responsibilities of the COR, Regions, Cities and Biodistricts may apply.</p>
<p>Categories of personal data processed</p>	<p>The European Commission tool EU Survey will be used by the applicants for submitting their applications. The Joint Controllers jointly process the following categories of personal data:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Identification data: Surname and name; Gender. 2) Contact data: Postal address; Email address; Phone number. 3) Professional data: Position; Business' VAT; Employer's identity. 4) Audio-visual data: Facial image (photos and videos); Voice (audio and video). 5) Unrequested data voluntarily provided by data subjects. <p>In case, you participate to the award ceremony, we will also collect and further process the following categories of personal data:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Identification data to access the Commission building: Nationality; Registration number(s) included in identity documentation. 2) Financial data for travel reimbursements purposes: Payment card number; Bank account number.

	<p>3) Sensitive data (if any) based on consent that may be considered as health data: Dietary restrictions or requirements; Disabilities or access requirements.</p>
Recipients of the personal data	<p>(1) Within each of the Joint Controllers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Staff members who are involved in the organisation of the contest; 2. Natural persons appointed to the seven-member jury responsible for selecting the winners. <p>(2) Outside the Joint Controllers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The European Parliament may receive the personal data as member of the jury; 2. The Council of the European Union may receive the personal data as member of the jury; 3. Other processors of the Joint Controllers 4. Access to some of your personal data may also be provided to the general public if you consented to such purposes
Transfers of personal data to a third country or an international organization	<p>Personal data, collected for the purpose of the processing operation, shall only be processed within the territory of the EU/EEA and shall not leave that territory.</p> <p>Each Party shall inform all other Parties about any transfer of personal data to the recipients in third countries or international organisations.</p>
Retention period of the personal data	<p>The Parties shall store the personal data for a maximum of 2 years after the nomination of the awardees to handle potential complaints unless the personal data need to be kept for a longer period given an ongoing complaint, apart from financial data of data subjects who have participated in the ceremony, which will be kept for five years after the ceremony.</p> <p>Contact details of data subjects who have agreed to be contacted for next awards will also be kept until the organisation of the next round of awards (a maximum of 18 months).</p> <p>Sensitive personal data relating to dietary and/or access requirements will be deleted as soon as they are no longer necessary for the purpose for which they have been collected in the framework of the meeting or event, but no later than within 1 month after the end of the ceremony.</p> <p>Parties shall not retain or process personal data longer than necessary to carry out the agreed purposes and obligations as set out in the Arrangement.</p> <p>In case of termination of this Arrangement (by one or more Parties) or in case of expiration of this Arrangement, all personal data shall be deleted.</p>
General description of security measures, where possible	<p>The processing activities undergoing joint processing are stored on servers based in a Member State of the European Union.</p>
Data protection notice	<p>https://cor.europa.eu/sites/default/files/2024-07/dpn-eu_organic_awards-rb1-1.pdf</p>