



European Committee
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Record of processing activity – Working document

PES-CoR Network Data Management

PART 1 - Record

1. General Information

Reference number	RPG-6
Last update	24/04/2026
Controller	European Committee of the Regions
Directorate	Secretary-General
Unit	PES Group
Contact details	PES-Group@cor.europa.eu
Joint controller	N/A
Joint controllership arrangement	N/A
DPO contact details	data.protection@cor.europa.eu
Processor(s)	N/A
Data processing agreement	N/A

2. Purpose and description of the personal data processing

Purpose(s) of the personal data processing	The PES Group processes your personal data in order to support communication, coordination, and engagement across our political family. This includes activities within the CoR, as well as activities in cooperation with the wider socialist and social-democratic network, such as the S&D Group in the European Parliament, PES member parties, and other partners. We collect and process your personal data to: • communicate with PES Group members, alternates, their teams, Young Elected Politicians (YEPs), Members of the European Parliament (MEPs), experts, moderators, and stakeholders involved in our statutory work; • coordinate meetings, events, workshops, and political activities; • manage participation in PES Group initiatives, including communication workshops, Local Dialogues, and thematic networks; • collect information provided during events, registrations, subscription forms, and online engagement (including newsletter sign-ups and social-media-related forms); • ensure smooth communication with those responsible for communication within our members' offices and delegations. All data is processed in line with the applicable data-protection framework governing the CoR.
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Categories of persons whose personal data are processed	Members and alternates of the European Committee of the Regions – including PES Group members and alternates, during the duration of their mandate. Assistants and staff of CoR members and alternates – including accredited assistants, local staff, and persons responsible for communication or coordination within members’ offices or delegations. Young Elected Politicians (YEPs) – participating in the YEP programme or related PES Group activities, including former participants who have consented to continued contact. Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) – in particular those belonging to the S&D Group or otherwise involved in PES-related cooperation activities. Experts, speakers, moderators, and facilitators – contributing to PES Group meetings, conferences, workshops, Local Dialogues, or thematic events. Participants in PES Group events and activities – including attendees of meetings, conferences, workshops, communication trainings, and other political or thematic initiatives. Stakeholders and partners within the wider socialist and social-democratic network – including representatives of PES member parties, partner organisations, and institutional or political partners cooperating with the PES Group. Journalists and media professionals – where individuals act publicly on behalf of the PES Group or participate in media-related activities. Subscribers to PES Group communications – including individuals who have subscribed to newsletters, updates, or online communications, based on their consent. Participants in high-level or co-hosted events requiring accreditation – where additional identification data are processed for access-control or security purposes, in line with host-institution requirements.
Categories of personal data processed	We collect and process basic identification and contact details, including your full name, email address, general telephone number. These data points are needed to manage communication and coordination with PES Group members, alternates, their assistants, Young Elected Politicians (YEPs), experts, speakers, and other stakeholders involved in PES Group activities. In addition to core contact data, we also process professional information such as political function (member or alternate), nationality, preferred working language (EN/FR/DE), CoR commission assignments, and involvement in bodies such as working groups, ARLEM, the CFAA, and joint consultative committees.

	Mobile phone numbers may be processed when provided by members or assistants—for example, to enable timely communication during meetings or events requiring rapid coordination. These numbers are used exclusively for operational purposes linked to PES Group activities. When individuals register for PES Group events (e.g., thematic conferences, Local Dialogues, communication workshops, the YEP programme, or speaker engagements), we may also collect additional details required for event organisation, such as preferred language or emergency contact information. In the context of PES meetings and events, photographs may be taken for use on our website and social media platforms. By attending these events, you consent to the use of your image for these purposes. If you do not wish your image to be used, please notify the PES Secretariat in advance at PES-Group@cor.europa.eu. Please note that each social media platform acts as an independent data controller for any personal data it processes when you access and use its services. These platforms apply their own privacy policies and terms of use, which are separate from those of the CoR. We strongly encourage you to review the privacy policies of each platform to understand how your personal data is collected, used, and protected when interacting with their services. In order to access and interact with the CoR’s content on social media platforms (such as by liking, sharing, or commenting on posts), you must first have an account with the respective platform and accept its terms of service and privacy policy. These terms are established independently by the platform and govern how your personal data is collected and processed. The CoR has no control over these platform-specific policies. For high-level PES Group events hosted in cooperation with institutional partners or with enhanced security requirements, participants may be asked to provide further identification information strictly necessary for accreditation. Such information may include full name, nationality, and identity document details, depending on the host institution’s security protocol. These requirements are determined externally and apply solely for access and security purposes. Personal data are accessed only by authorised staff of the PES Group Secretariat and are never transferred to non-EU/EEA countries or international organisations.
Recipients of the personal data	Your personal data are accessed exclusively by authorised staff of the PES Group Secretariat within the CoR. These staff members process the data strictly for the purposes of communication, coordination, and organisation of PES Group activities. In the context of specific activities, your data may also be shared with: - Event organisers, moderators, invited speakers, or participants, but only when necessary for the organisation of PES Group meetings,

	workshops, or events (e.g., inclusion on participant lists or speaker programmes). - Journalists or media professionals, but only when an individual acts publicly on behalf of the PES Group (e.g., interviews or quotes in press materials). - Where high-level or co-hosted events require institutional security checks or accreditation, identification details may be shared with the responsible host institution solely for access-control purposes. Your personal data are not transferred to non-EU/EEA countries or to international organisations. Personal data of individuals who have registered for the PES Group newsletter or participated in online or digital campaigns are not shared with external actors.
Transfers of personal data to a third country or an international organization	Your personal data are not transferred to non-EU/EEA countries or to international organisations.
Retention period of the personal data	We retain personal data for the duration of your role: for members and alternates, this corresponds to their mandate. Participants in the Young Elected Politicians (YEP) programme take part in a year-long cycle. After their participation, the PES Group may retain their basic contact details, but only with their explicit consent, and solely for the purpose of inviting them to future PES Group activities or related events within the wider political family. Consent can be withdrawn at any time, which will trigger the deletion of personal data. To manage contacts, the PES Group Secretariat maintains internal distribution lists that include current members, alternates, assistants, and relevant stakeholders. These lists are updated continuously to reflect changes in mandates, roles, and participation in PES Group bodies. For communication purposes such as newsletters or event updates, contact details may also be managed through a communication platform used by the PES Group. These platforms only use email addresses already collected by the PES Group and are stored securely for communication-related activities. With your explicit consent, we may retain your contact details (primarily email) after your mandate ends, for the purpose of sending PES event invitations and newsletters. The consent can be withdrawn at any time, which will trigger the deletion of personal data. Personal data are retained only for as long as necessary for the purposes for which they were collected and are deleted when they are no longer required, unless the data subject has given specific consent for continued contact.
General description of security measures, where possible	No automated decisions base on personal data. Deletion of data possible by contacting the data controller.
Data protection notice	Published internally