

PRIVACY STATEMENT

This Privacy Statement was issued by the ESET Foundation, registered office Einsteinova 24, 851 01 Bratislava, Slovak Republic, Corporate ID: 42258910 (hereinafter as the “Foundation” or “We/Us”). Personal data processing is an integral part of our activities and the operation of our websites. It is important for Us that personal data is processed in compliance with REGULATION (EU) 2016/679 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 27 April, 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (hereinafter as “GDPR”) and the Slovak Act No. 18/2018 Coll. on Personal Data Protection.

Because of this, and to ensure transparent handling of personal data, we have prepared this Privacy Statement pertaining both to the visitors of our websites and to those who chose to participate in the activities we organise, such as competitions, awards, and events (hereinafter as “Data Subject” or “You”).

If You visit our website or chose to register yourself or someone else in the ESET Science Award, the following will apply to You:

- a) The purpose of processing of the personal data entered in the registration forms is to ensure processing and registration of your submission, its evaluation by a panel of judges, the communication of results, and distribution of invitations and organisation of the celebratory gala evening, as well as for advertising and marketing communication purposes related to the ESET Science Award. The Foundation is authorised to process personal data which is a part of the nomination and the corresponding documentation. If the nomination is submitted by a third party, an essential condition of the submission is the nominee’s consent to the submission. Part of the submission consent is also the nominee’s explicit consent to this statute and the terms of personal data protection as outlined at www.ESETScienceAward.sk. The legal basis of personal data processing is Article 6(2)(b) of the GDPR, and data provision is one of the contractual conditions.
- b) Our objective is to obtain and process as little personal data as possible. However, without personal data processing we would be unable to achieve the purpose of our activity. Provision of the minimum required amount of data necessary to review the submission is thus a contractual condition supplemented by a legitimate interest which we, as the Foundation, pursue. In relation to the philanthropic and corporate social responsibility activities which are our main objective, it is our opinion that it does not contradict the interests and fundamental rights and freedoms of the Data Subjects. The submission cannot be registered and reviewed without providing the personal data.
- c) Equally, it is our legitimate interest to protect our website from spam and misuse, as well as learning how You use our website with the objective of improving its features and user-friendliness. With this in mind, we use as few cookies and third party tools providing this functionality as possible (e.g. reCAPTCHA and Google Tag Manager).
- d) If You contact us using the contact form, it will provide us with your personal data required to process your request.

If You take part in one of the events we organise, the following applies to You:

- a) During an event we organise, photographs or audiovisual footage can be created for marketing purposes, based on our legitimate interest to promote the event and other activities of our Foundation.

- b) If it is necessary to ensure the health and safety of the event participants, access to the event may be subject to presenting a negative COVID-19 test and your ID, based on our legal obligation arising out of the respective provision of the Public Health Authority of the Slovak Republic and other legal regulations. In this case, processing of the test results is necessary for reasons of substantial public interest, namely the protection of Your (the Data subject's) health and the health of the other event participants. In order to be admitted to the event, it will be necessary that the negative test result is shown on Your device and recorded along with Your basic identification data. The Foundation will store this data only for the period of time required by law. We will not provide this data to any third parties, except where we are obligated to do so by the law or a bylaw.

In performing our activities we pay attention to the privacy of the personal data of our visitors and applicants. We do not provide your personal data to any third parties except those specified in this Privacy Statement. The personal data recipient is usually a bank processing the payment of the contribution for a successful applicant, the evaluators, parties legally authorised to request personal data, possibly also an agency or a different contractor helping us organise and promote our events and our other activities.

We strive to process and store your data only for the period necessary to fulfil the purpose for which they were obtained. Personal data which is part of the submission is processed at least for the time necessary to process the submission. When it comes to data pertaining to payments, here the retention period can be extended by the time necessary to meet the archiving obligations imposed by special legislation (e.g. respective legislation governing accounting obligations and similar).

In accordance with the GDPR, and within the scope therein specified, You as the Data Subject have the right to request from the Foundation access to your personal data, the right to rectification or erasure, limitation of processing, and the right to object to processing as well as the right to data portability. You can exercise these rights by filing a request with the Foundation. Every Data Subject has the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority, namely the Office for Personal Data Protection of the Slovak Republic.

Should You have any questions or should You wish to exercise your rights as a Data Subject, You can write to: ESET Foundation, Einsteinova 24, 851 01 Bratislava, Slovak Republic, or send an e-mail to: nadacia@eset.sk.