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GLOW – Developing the International Growth Environment for the Wellbeing Sector in the South Savo

PRIVACY POLICY

Data Protection Act 2018/1050, EU General Data Protection Regulation 2016/679.

The Privacy Policy contains the information that must be communicated to data subjects when processing personal data.

The privacy statement is a tool to ensure the controller's accountability.

The obligation to provide information is a key principle of the GDPR and means that the controller must be able to demonstrate compliance with data protection law.

1. The controller

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2. Contact person for matters concerning the register

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3. For what purpose is my personal data processed?

During the course of the project, personal data will be processed for the following purposes:

- as part of the project activities and research, development and innovation activities (RDI activities) of Xamk
- for the marketing and communication of the project to target groups
- to disseminate information on the project measures and results
- for the implementation of stakeholder cooperation, customer relations and business cooperation.

4. On what basis is my personal data processed?

The processing of personal data is based on public interest (scientific research and research, development and innovation activities of universities of applied sciences). Processing of personal data in scientific research is based on the EU General Data Protection Regulation and the national data protection law. Scientific research is in the public interest within the meaning of the GDPR. Scientific research in the public interest is the basis for processing personal data (Data Protection Act). In the Data Protection Regulation (recital 159), the concept of research also covers RDI activities.

The processing of personal data is based on the activities, events and other activities carried out in accordance with the project plan. Personal data is processed on the basis of legitimate interest, for example for marketing, information, stakeholder cooperation and customer relations.

5. Name, nature, duration and the team of the project

Project name: GLOW – Developing the International Growth Environment for the Wellbeing Sector in the South Savo

Nature of the project: Development project

Project duration: 01.01.2026 - 30.6.2028

Project objectives are:

- Improving the growth and internationalization conditions of wellbeing and health sector business activities in South Savo by developing the operating environment
- Building a service portfolio including testbed services and internationalization services
- Establishing an open internationalization network for wellbeing and health sector companies
- Increasing cooperation between Finnish wellbeing and health sector companies and higher education institutions in international networks
- Facilitating companies' access to international testbed services and business design services
- Promoting the internationalization of wellbeing sector companies by developing knowledge-based management

Project team:

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6. What kind of information about me will be processed?

The register may contain the following personal data about participants in the project activities persons, partners and stakeholders involved in the project: name, company, company, position in the company, e-mail address, telephone number, location, sector of activity, billing information and information provided by the company on the description of the activity.

The Active Life HUB register is maintained in the Background Information System. Each company has the possibility at any time to request the information it has provided or to delete any information it has provided data at any time by contacting the contact person mentioned above.

7. From which sources is my data collected?

Personal data is collected from public sources such as the websites of the organization, the data subject the data subject, when registering for a project or project event, and when registering for various events, surveys or training organized by the project.

8. Will my personal data be transferred to third parties?

Xamk may use third party processors (e.g. IT services service providers, such as Microsoft and Flowhouse Oy/Howspace) who process personal data in accordance with the contracts concluded. The project will take all reasonable to ensure that any inaccurate, incorrect or incomplete data, having regard to the purposes of the processing, are not disclosed to third parties. Outdated personal data, which are inaccurate or incomplete for the purposes of the processing, are erased or rectified without delay.

Contact details may be disclosed to the providers of purchased services under the project plan, when it is necessary for project activities, and to the project financier in the context of reporting, as required by the financier (e.g., lists of participants in events). This information will be disclosed to the EURA system for project monitoring purposes. The South Savo Regional Council/EURA are committed to comply with the requirements of the Data Protection Regulation and the EURA2021 system. data protection policy of the EURA2020 system.

9. Processing of data within the EU and the EEA and outside these areas

Xamk uses Microsoft cloud services (Teams and OneDrive) for storage. Microsoft processes data mainly in the EU/EEA and in regional data centers. Microsoft is committed to operating in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation. The Microsoft Privacy Statement can be found at: <https://privacy.microsoft.com/fi-FI/privacystatement>.

Personal data may be transferred outside the European Union and the European Economic Area to the extent that the European Commission has issued a decision in accordance with Article 45 of the General Data Protection Regulation on the adequacy of the protection of personal data in the destination country.

10. How long will my data be retained?

Personal data will be retained for the duration of the project and for as long as the need to use it remains.

For project activities, personal data is retained for the archiving period required by the funders.

Project materials and materials that may also contain personal data will be archived by Xamk for the duration of the project according to the Xamk practices: for EU projects, the retention period is 10 years after the end of the program period.

11. How will my personal data be protected?

Your personal data is stored in an information system. Its users have personal user IDs.

Only data controllers whose work is subject to the conditions of the contract are allowed to access and use the system.

The only persons authorized to access the data are those who are entitled to do so by virtue of their job.

Customer and stakeholder data are stored in a customer management system, where the data is protected by an AD ID and password. The data stored in the system is in the register for a restricted group of users with user rights.

In projects funded by the Economic Development Centre of Eastern Finland, the following system is used to collect participant data:

EURA2021 (the digital management system for EU regional and structural policy funds) for the programming period 2021-2027), the use of which is provided for in Act 757/2021 (Act on the development and the financing of projects under the regional development and structural policy of the European Union). No other systems will be used to collect participant data, nor will separate paper forms be used.

The collection of this information will be carried out in accordance with the EURA2021 Data Protection Policy.

12. How can I use my rights under the GDPR?

The rights of the register are set out in more detail in the Data Protection Notice of the Research Data Infrastructure Unit (xamk.fi/data-protection-notice). The subjects/registerants can send all the requests related to this research to the contact person below:

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Where the processing is based on the public interest, the data subject has the following rights:

- right to be informed about the processing of personal data, unless otherwise provided by law
- right of access to the data
- right to rectification of data
- the right to restrict the processing of data
- obligation to notify rectification or restriction of processing of personal data
- right to object data processing



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- right not to be a subject to automated decision-making without legitimate grounds.

13. Amendments to the Privacy Statement

This Privacy Policy may be updated from time to time, for example, in accordance with the changes in legislation.