

Data Protection Information for the Use of Slack in the EIT Urban Mobility Doctoral Training Network (DTN)

A. General Information

Name and contact details of the responsible institution

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B. Personal Data

Purpose for the processing of your personal data

Within the EIT Urban Mobility Doctoral Training Network (DTN), Slack is used as a communication channel and as a basis for successful collaboration and networking across Europe. Therefore, the responsible institution (TUM IGSSE EITUM DTNO) has created a Slack workspace called *EIT Urban Mobility DTN* within Slack's [Business+ plan](#). All DTN doctoral candidates, DTN guests, DTN staff members, DTN committee members, supervisors, and workshop trainers are invited to join this workspace.

Collected data

The categories of data collected by the responsible institution are name, information on profession, and image data. Besides, the personal data users transmit in the form of messages in the various Slack channels are available to other users.

As a Slack user in the *EIT Urban Mobility DTN* workspace, every user creates his/her account himself/herself and gets to choose which information he/she shares in his/her profile (e.g. profile picture, full name, home university, research area). The exchange of information occurs in three ways:

1. in channels open to all workspace members,
2. in channels open to a specific subgroup (e.g. "intake 3"),
3. in form of direct messages.

The use of [add-ons](#) will be deactivated.

Please find information on data collected and received by Slack [here](#).

Legal bases for the processing of your personal data

The legal basis for processing data submitted via Slack is Article 6 (1)(c) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) (legal obligation) in conjunction with Article 6 (1)(a) GDPR (consent) and Article 2 (4)(5) of the Bavarian Higher Education Act (BayHschG) (cooperation between European universities / cooperation economy).

Recipients of personal data

Recipients of the data are the responsible institution (TUM IGSSE EITUM DTNO) and Slack Technologies Limited.

Storage of personal data

The data residency location for the Slack workspace *EIT Urban Mobility DTN* is Frankfurt/Main, Germany, the backup data residency location is Paris, France.

Data will be stored for no longer than the duration of the EIT Urban Mobility DTN project (expected 2026 or 2032). Slack itself only processes data for the duration of the Business+ agreement (initially tentative until June 2023). However, continuous use in the project is envisaged.

C. Rights and Further Information

User rights and responsibilities

Even though all DTN doctoral candidates, DTN guests, DTN staff members, DTN committee members, supervisors, and workshop trainers are invited to use Slack, it is still possible to be a DTN member without using Slack. Doctoral candidates who do not agree to use Slack will receive announcements from the DTN team and direct messages from the DTNO by email instead. However, in this way they miss out on discussions that arise among doctoral candidates themselves on Slack.

Slack workspace members may leave the Slack workspace at any time. In that case, we ask them to urgently inform us via email to eit-um.igsse@tum.de that information will no longer be accessed via Slack.

Please find Slack's User terms of service [here](#) and Slack's GDPR commitment [here](#).

External service providers

The application running on the web server is maintained by the company named below. The personal data you provide when using the application is therefore processed on our behalf by Slack Technologies Limited:

Slack Technologies Limited
Central Park (Block G)
Central Park, Leopardstown
Dublin 18, Ireland
<https://slack.com/>

Further information

Please find more information on Slack's data management [here](#).

For more information on the processing of your data and your rights, you can contact us using the contact details above (see A. General Information).