



Privacy policy statement

We respect the privacy of our users and we are committed in protecting your privacy in line with the [EU General Data Protection Regulation \("GDPR"\)](#). The Privacy Policy is intended to describe for you, as an individual who is a user of our online services, the information we collect, how that information may be used, with whom it may be shared, and your choices about such uses and disclosures. We encourage you to read this Privacy Policy carefully when using our website or services. By using our websites or any of our applications, you are accepting the practices described in this Privacy Policy.

If you have any questions about our privacy practices, please refer to the end of this Privacy Policy for information on how to contact us.

Personal information collected

We may collect personal information that can identify you, such as your name and email address, and other information that does not identify you.

Stakeholder database: We keep the contact information of the stakeholders we meet during events, networking activities as well as those who subscribe to our newsletter. The information we collect include the following: name of the contact, organisation, position, email, phone number, country, and type of stakeholder (e.g. civil protection, emergency management practitioner, local authority, researcher, policy maker, etc.).

This information is securely stored in specially protected servers for the period of OVERWATCH duration (2022-2025) and for 4 years after the termination of the project, i.e. up to 2029; after this date, this information will be deleted. These servers can be accessed only by a limited number of carefully selected persons of our consortium who are subject to strict confidentiality requirements. It is not used outside the framework of the project nor transmitted to third parties without prior consent of the person.

We use this information for:

- 1) Sending Newsletters: we use a third-party service ([MailChimp](#)) the subscribers can unsubscribe/opt out at any time and the information will be deleted.
- 2) Inviting the stakeholders to OVERWATCH workshops, webinars, events.

Social Media

We use social media to present our work through widely used and contemporary channels. Our official social media channels are listed on this website. Links are found on the bottom of the homepage. Each social media channel has their own policy on the way they process your personal data when you access their sites. For example, if you choose to watch one of our videos on YouTube, you will be asked for explicit consent to accept YouTube cookies; if you look at our Twitter activity on Twitter, you will be asked

for explicit consent to accept [Twitter](#) cookies; the same applies for [LinkedIn](#) and [Facebook](#).

If you have any concerns or questions about their use of your personal data, you should read their privacy policies carefully before using them.

Cookies Policy

Generally, internet cookies are small pieces of data stored on your computer or mobile device that are used to identify and track visitors. They perform important functions on a website, such as remembering logins and preferences. Cookies can also help measure web traffic and usage patterns.

The Overwatch website (<https://overwatchproject.eu/>) uses Matomo (<https://matomo.org/>), in its cookie-less mode and it is configured to automatically anonymise data avoiding to process any personal data.

Cookie-less tracking is an alternative form of tracking that uses methods such as counting the number of unique IP addresses or browser fingerprinting to identify users instead of cookies. This means that the websites can still track users even if they have disabled cookies in their browsers or if the user has deleted all the cookies from their browser history.

At the most privacy-conscious end, we see cookie-less solutions such as Matomo using [config_id](#) to group different actions into “visits” during a short window of up to 24-hours.

More information upon Matomo’s cookie-less tracking is available [here](#).

Links to other websites

Our website contains links to other websites. We have no influence on compliance with data protection laws by the operators of these sites.

Withdrawing consent for the storage of your data

You can withdraw your consent for the storage of your personal data at any time. The data will then be deleted immediately. You can do so by reaching out to us via email to contact@overwatchproject.eu or, if preferred, write to our post address (see following section).

Do you have more questions on data protection? Please contact us

If you have any questions about our privacy practices, you may write to us at the following address:

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Or email us at: contact@overwatchproject.eu