

Privacy Policy

Thank you for your interest in the patent law firm trierpatent BAG mbH.

The protection of your personal data is our highest priority. The purpose of this privacy policy is to inform you about the processing of your personal data and to fulfill the information obligations arising from the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Our data protection practice is in accordance with the legal data protection requirements

1. Controller

Responsible for the processing of personal data within the meaning of Art. 4 No. 7 GDPR is

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2. Data Protection Officer

We have appointed a data protection officer within the meaning of Art. 37 GDPR. You can contact our data protection officer using the following contact details:

SRK Datenschutz GmbH
Dr. Steffen Kathe
Güterstraße 58
54295 Trier
E-Mail: [info\(at\)datenschutzbeauftragter-trier.de](mailto:info(at)datenschutzbeauftragter-trier.de)

3. General definitions

(a) personal data

'personal data' means any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'); an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

(b) processing

'processing' means any operation or set of operations which is performed on personal data or on sets of personal data, whether or not by automated means, such as collection, recording, organisation, structuring, storage, adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making available, alignment or combination, restriction, erasure or destruction.

(c) controller

'controller' means the natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body which, alone or jointly with others, determines the purposes and means of the processing of personal data; where the purposes and means of such processing are determined by Union or Member State law, the

controller or the specific criteria for its nomination may be provided for by Union or Member State law.

(d) processor

'processor' means a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body which processes personal data on behalf of the controller.

(e) recipient

'recipient' means a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or another body, to which the personal data are disclosed, whether a third party or not. However, public authorities which may receive personal data in the framework of a particular inquiry in accordance with Union or Member State law shall not be regarded as recipients; the processing of those data by those public authorities shall be in compliance with the applicable data protection rules according to the purposes of the processing.

(f) third party

'third party' means a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or body other than the data subject, controller, processor and persons who, under the direct authority of the controller or processor, are authorised to process personal data.

(g) consent

'consent' of the data subject means any freely given, specific, informed and unambiguous indication of the data subject's wishes by which he or she, by a statement or by a clear affirmative action, signifies agreement to the processing of personal data relating to him or her

(h) personal data breach

'personal data breach' means a breach of security leading to the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorised disclosure of, or access to, personal data transmitted, stored or otherwise processed

4. processing of access data

When you use our website, we collect data that your browser transmits to our server. We process your personal data for two purposes:

- To provide this page for you
- To use your personal data for ensuring the security of the page

This includes the following information:

- Information about the browser type and version used
- the operating system of the accessing device,
- host name of the accessing computer,
- the IP address of the accessing device, date and time of access,
- Websites and resources (images, files, other page content) that were accessed on our website,
- Websites from which the user's system accessed our website (referrer tracking),
- notification as to whether the retrieval was successful
- the amount of data transferred.

This data is stored in the log files of our system. This data is not stored together with other personal data of a specific user, so that individual site visitors cannot be identified.

The automated and temporary storage of personal data is necessary for the delivery of the website. The collected data is only used for statistical analysis and for the stability, security and improvement of the presentation and operation of the website. For this purpose, it is necessary to log the data of the end device used to call up the website in order to detect display errors, attacks on our IT system or errors in the functionality of our Internet presence. Furthermore, we use the data to generally ensure the integrity and security of our IT system.

The legal basis for the processing is Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f GDPR (legitimate interest). Our legal interest consists of the aforementioned purposes, including the delivery of our website and the security of our website and IT systems.

The aforementioned data will be deleted immediately as soon as they are no longer required to ensure the security and compatibility of our website, but at the latest after three months have elapsed since you accessed our website.

5. contact

a) contact form

To contact us, you can use the contact form provided. The use of the contact form is not obligatory and neither contractually nor legally required. You are free to use any other means of communication indicated on our website to contact us. When using the contact form, you must fill in the fields marked as mandatory.

When using the contact form we process the following data:

- Name
- E-Mail-Address
- Other personal data you might provide in your message

To confirm your contact request through the contact form, we may send you e-mails to the e-mail address provided. This will provide you with a confirmation that we have received your contact request correctly. The sending of such a confirmation e-mail is not obligatory and serves only for your information.

The legal basis for the processing is Art. 6 para. 1 lit. a GDPR (consent through a clear action or behavior). You can withdraw your consent at any time via kanzlei@trierpatent.de.

Unless there is a legal retention period, the collected data will be deleted immediately after processing your request.

b) e-mail

If you contact us by e-mail, the data you send us will be stored by us. This includes in particular the e-mail address you provide. This data will not be passed on to third parties without your consent.

The data transmitted by you will be processed for the purpose of processing your message appropriately. The legal basis for processing is Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f) GDPR. Our legitimate interest in the processing lies in the achievement of the purpose described above. You can object to the processing of your data at any time in accordance with Art. 21 GDPR. To do so, you can use the contact details provided at the end of this privacy policy. We will only store the data you provide for as long as is

necessary to process your request. If you provide us with information in the course of your request that is not required to process your request, we will delete it immediately.

If you contact us with an inquiry regarding a specific service, we will process the data you provide for the purpose of initiating a contract. The processing then takes place on the basis of Art. 6 para. 1 lit. b) GDPR. If no contract is concluded with you, we will delete the data you have provided, provided that it is not subject to any statutory retention obligations, if it is clear that no contract has been concluded.

c) telefon

If you contact us by telephone, the data you provide will be stored by us. This includes in particular the telephone number you use and your name. This data will not be passed on to third parties without your consent.

The data you provide will be processed for the purpose of properly handling your request. The legal basis for processing is Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f) GDPR. Our legitimate interest in the processing lies in the achievement of the purpose described above. You can object to the processing of your data at any time in accordance with Art. 21 GDPR. To do so, you can use the contact details provided at the end of this privacy policy. We will only store the data you provide for as long as is necessary to process your request. If you provide us with information in the course of your request that is not required to process your request, we will delete it immediately.

If you contact us with an inquiry regarding a specific service, we will process the data you provide for the purpose of initiating a contract. The processing then takes place on the basis of Art. 6 para. 1 lit. b) GDPR. If no contract is concluded with you, we will delete the data you have provided, provided that it is not subject to any statutory retention obligations, if it is clear that no contract has been concluded.

6. special functions of our website

When using various special functions of our website, additional personal data is also processed.

a) Login area

In order to use our online services (trierfolio-files and trierfolio-Blockchain), it is necessary for you to log in by entering an e-mail address and a password via the login field of the input mask. In the event that you have forgotten your trierfolio-files login data, we can reset your password upon request and send you the new password via the previously used communication channel. In the event that you have forgotten your trierfolio blockchain credentials, it will be necessary for you to register a new device to receive new credentials. Please note that there are costs associated with device registration.

When you use the login area, we process the the following Information:

- registration and login data that you enter or that you are provided with.

We process the information to enable you to access the platforms as promised under your user agreement

The legal basis for the processing is Art. 6 para. 1 lit. b GDPR (processing is necessary for the performance of a contract).

As long as you maintain a user account with us, the data processed in this context will be stored.

The use of the login area on our site is mandatory for the use of the protected areas (trierfolio files and trierfolio blockchain) and is contractually agreed. It requires the correct and complete entry of the aforementioned data and the existence of a user account. If the data entered is not correct, access to the information provided in the login area is not possible. The Internet presence outside the login area can also be used in full without a login.

b) External web services and data processing outside the EU.

On our website, we use web services and services which are provided by external providers. In this context, it may happen that your personal data is also processed outside the EU when you visit our website. You can disable the execution of scripts in your browser settings or install an appropriate plugin as additional software to your browser to prevent the processing of your personal data by providers of external web services. However, this may lead to functional restrictions on the websites you visit.

CloudSeven It-Solutions

For the operation of our web service trierfolio blockchain, we use a cloud server of CloudSeven It-Solutions GmbH, Albert-Einstein-Str. 6, 77565 Offenburg (info@cloudseven.info, Tel: 0781 1319010). The cloud server has a location within Germany, so the processing of personal data on the cloud server takes place within the European Union. The use of the cloud server is necessary to ensure the trouble-free and secure functionality of the trierfolio blockchain service. During the use of the service, personal data may be transmitted to CloudSeven.

A contract for commissioned data processing has been concluded with CloudSeven It-Solutions GmbH

When using trierfolio blockchain, the name, e-mail address and DID (digital identifier) of the respective user may be processed in particular. Only such data is processed which is necessary for the use of trierfolio-Blockchain. Data is stored for the period required to use trierfolio-Blockchain. Processing of the data can be objected to by waiving the possibility of using trierfolio-Blockchain.

The legal basis for the processing results from Art. 6 para. 1 lit. a DSGVO, consent is given by the respective user in the GTC to trierfolio-Blockchain. The lawfulness of processing for users still results from Art. 6 para.1 lit. b GDPR.

IOP Global

To operate our trierfolio blockchain web service, we use the "bc2ip" software from IOP Global GmbH, Kriegsstraße 82, 76133 Karlsruhe, Germany (info@iop-global.com; Tel.: 0721 66 99 06 01). The use of bc2ip is necessary to ensure the functionality of the trierfolio blockchain service. While using the bc2ip software, anonymized and pseudonymized personal data can be transmitted to the Hydraledger blockchain via a blockchain interface of IOP Global GmbH. This includes in particular the user-specific DID.

The legal basis for the transmission is Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f GDPR (legitimate interest). This includes both our interest in making available the full functional scope of the bc2ip platform and maintaining the

functionality of the blockchain, as well as the user's interest in the full use of the functions provided via the service (in particular the setting of timestamps).

Google

We use a web service provided by Google Ireland Limited, Gordon House, Barrow Street, Dublin 4, Ireland, hereinafter referred to as "Google". This is necessary to ensure the functionality of our website. Personal data may be transmitted to Google as a result. It is possible that personal data is transmitted to a third country (USA). You can prevent the processing of data by disabling the execution of script codes in your browser settings or installing a script blocker as an add-on in your browser.

The legal basis for the processing results from our legitimate interest in the functionality of our website according to Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f GDPR.

With the adoption of the EU-U.S. Data Privacy Framework, the Commission has decided that the USA ensures an adequate level of protection (adequacy decision). Google LLC, Mountain View, California has certified itself as required for participating in the EU-U.S. Data Privacy Framework.

Your data will be deleted as soon as this purpose has been achieved.

External links

Insofar as our website contains links to the Internet presences of other providers, we expressly point out at this point that this data protection declaration applies exclusively to the website www.trierpatent.de and its own corresponding sub-pages. We have no influence on compliance with data protection principles by other providers. A control in this respect does not take place.

7. cookies

In order to make visiting our website attractive and to enable the use of certain functions, we use functions, we use so-called cookies. These are small text files that are stored on your end device. Cookies cannot execute programs or transmit viruses to your computer system.

Cookies that are absolutely necessary to carry out the electronic communication process or to provide certain functions you have requested are stored on the basis of Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f GDPR. Our legitimate interest in the storage of such cookies lies in the technically error-free and optimized provision of our services.

8. secure communication

Even though we protect your personal data from unauthorized access by third parties through technical and organizational measures in all processing operations, data security cannot be guaranteed for unencrypted e-mail communication. Therefore, we offer you the option of an electronic file, in which your access is made by means of a two-factor authorization. Secure communication is only possible through two-factor authorization. Therefore, we strongly recommend using the electronic file with functioning two-factor authorization and regularly checking and changing a secure password.

9. e-mail archiving

At this point, we expressly draw attention to our automated and audit-proof e-mail archiving system, in which all received and sent mails are archived.

The legal basis for e-mail archiving results from Art. 6 Para.1 lit. c GDPR, as we are obliged to store e-mails by §§ 146, 147 AO and §§ 238, 257 HGB, among others.

The deletion of the e-mails takes place after the expiry of the retention obligations under tax and commercial law, which are up to ten years.

10. applications

If you apply to us and send us your application by e-mail, we ask that you use the e-mail address [bewerbung\(at\)trierpatent.de](mailto:bewerbung(at)trierpatent.de) E-mails that you send to the e-mail address [kanzlei\(at\)trierpatent.de](mailto:kanzlei(at)trierpatent.de) will also be noted by our employees. Our employees are bound to secrecy and are regularly trained with regard to data protection. We only consider application documents in .PDF format, as files in a zip format (.ZIP, .RAR, .7ZIP etc.) will be automatically deleted and not delivered.

Unless you object in your application e-mail, we assume that we may reply to an unencrypted application e-mail without encryption.

If you send us an application, we may store the following information:

- name
- address
- Contact details (e-mail address, telephone number)
- Qualifications
- Other information they provide to us as part of their application.

The purpose of the storage is the implementation of the application process and taking steps prior to entering a possible employment relationship.

The legal basis for this is Art. 6 para. 1 lit b GDPR (steps at the request of the data subject prior to entering into a contract).

We only store your data for as long as is necessary for the application process. Your data will be deleted after six months in accordance with § 61 b para. 1 ArbGG in conjunction with. § 15 AGG.

9. rights of the data subjects

The GDPR gives you various rights in relation to your personal data, which we explain below:

(a) Right of access by the data subject

Pursuant to Article 15 para.1 of the GDPR, you have the right to obtain confirmation as to whether we are processing personal data about you. If this is the case, you have a right to information about the information mentioned in Art. 15 para. 1 lit. a to h GDPR. Provided that no rights of third parties

within the meaning of Art. 15 para. 4 GDPR are affected, we will gladly provide you with a copy, Art. 15 para. 3 GDPR.

(b) Right to rectification

According to Art. 16 p. 1 GRPD, you have the right to have personal data that is incorrectly stored with us corrected. If the data is incomplete, you have the right to have the data completed at any time in accordance with Art. 16 p. 2 GRPD.

(c) Right to erasure

Pursuant to Art. 17 para. 1 GRPD, you have the right to demand that we delete the personal data we have processed about you, provided that

- the personal data is no longer needed for the purposes for which it was collected or otherwise processed
- you have withdrawn your consent to the processing, and Art. 6 para. 1 lit. a GRPD or Art. 9 para. 2 lit. a GRPD have constituted the only legal bases for the processing,
- you have objected within the meaning of Art. 21 para. 1 GRPD, provided that the legal basis for the processing results from Art. 6 para. 1 lit. e and f GRPD, and there are no overriding, compelling interests for the processing which merit protection, or the processing serves the purpose of asserting, exercising or defending legal claims,
- you have lodged an objection within the meaning of Art. 21 para. 2 GRPD and your personal data are used to carry out direct marketing,
- the personal data has been processed unlawfully,
- the erasure of the personal data is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation under Union law or the law of a Member State to which the controller is subject,
- the personal data was collected in relation to information society services offered pursuant to Art. 8 para. 1 GRPD.

Pursuant to Art. 17 para. 3 GDPR, the right does not exist if the processing is carried out

- for the exercise of the right to freedom of expression and information,
- for compliance with a legal obligation which requires processing under Union or Member State law to which the controller is subject, or for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller,
- for reasons of public interest in the area of public health pursuant to Art. 9 para. 2 lit. h and i and Art. 9 para. 3 GRPD
- for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes, or for statistical purposes pursuant to Article 89 para. 1, insofar as the right referred to in paragraph 1 is likely to render impossible or seriously prejudice the achievement of the purposes of such processing, or
- is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims...

(d) Right to restriction of processing

Pursuant to Art. 18 para. 1 GDPR, you have the right to request the restriction of processing, provided that

- the accuracy of the personal data is contested by the data subject, for a period enabling the controller to verify the accuracy of the personal data,
- the processing is unlawful and the data subject objects to the erasure of the personal data and instead requests the restriction of the use of the personal data;
- the controller no longer needs the personal data for the purposes of processing, but the data subject needs them for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims; or
- the data subject has objected to the processing pursuant to Art. 21 para. 1 GDPR, as long as it has not yet been determined whether the legitimate grounds of the controller override those of the data subject.

Where processing has been restricted, such personal data may - apart from being stored - only be processed with your consent or for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims or for the protection of the rights of another natural or legal person or for reasons of important public interest of the Union or a Member State.

(e) Right to object

Pursuant to Art. 21 para. 1 GDPR, you have the right to object to the processing of personal data at any time if the processing is based on our legitimate interest within the meaning of Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f GDPR, if there are reasons for doing so that arise from your particular situation.

Pursuant to Art. 21 para. 2 GDPR, you can also object to the processing of personal data for the purpose of direct advertising without giving reasons. If your objection is directed against the use of your personal data for direct marketing, we will no longer process your data for these purposes.

(f) Right to withdraw

In accordance with Article 7 para. 3 of the GDPR, you have the right to withdraw your consent to the processing of personal data at any time. The withdrawal of consent does not affect the lawfulness of the processing carried out on the basis of the consent until the withdrawal. The processing of your personal data based on your consent will cease with immediate effect.

(g) Right to data portability

Pursuant to Art. 20 para. 1 GDPR, you have the right to receive your personal data that you have provided to us in a structured, common and machine-readable format and to provide this data to another person responsible without being hindered by us, in case that the processing is based on your consent within the meaning of Art. 6 para. 1 lit. f GDPR, Art. 9 para. 2 lit. a GDPR or on a contract within the meaning of Art. 6 para. 1 lit. a GDPR and the processing is carried out by automated. In particular, you have the right to have us transmit your data directly to another person responsible, provided that this is technically possible. The rights and freedoms of third parties must not be affected by this. This right does not apply to processing necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in us.

h) Right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority

If you believe that the processing of your personal data violates the provisions of the GDPR, you have the right, in accordance with Art. 77 para. 1 GDPR, to lodge a complaint with any data protection supervisory authority in the EU, in particular in the Member State of your habitual residence, your place of work or the place of the alleged violation.

For example, you can lodge your complaint to

Landesbeauftragten für Datenschutz und Informationssicherheit
Rheinland-Pfalz
Hintere Bleiche 34
55116 Mainz
Tel.: +49 (0) 6131 208-2449
E-Mail: [poststelle\(at\)datenschutz.rlp.de](mailto:poststelle(at)datenschutz.rlp.de)

This does not affect the possibility of any other administrative or judicial remedy.

In accordance with Article 77 para. 2 of the GDPR, the data protection supervisory authority to which you have lodged a complaint will inform you of the status and results of the complaint, including the possibility of a judicial remedy pursuant to Article 78 of the GDPR.

i) Exercising your rights

In order to exercise your aforementioned rights, you can contact our data protection officer at any time using the following contact details:

SRK Datenschutz GmbH
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9. Status of the privacy policy

Updated on January 26, 2026