

# **Information on Data Processing of Personal Data of our Business Partners as well as other Communication Partners (as at May 2025)**

We are pleased to provide you with further information on the protection of your personal data hereinafter.

## **1. Name and Contact Data of the Responsible Body**

This information on data protection applies to the processing effected by BLD Bach Langheid Dallmayr Rechtsanwälte Partnerschaftsgesellschaft mbB with its registered office in Cologne:

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This information shall of course apply irrespective of the office location at which we process your data.

Data Protection Officer:  
Dr Sven-Markus Thiel  
Rechtsanwalt/Counsel

You can contact our data protection officer under the above-indicated address or by sending an email to [datenschutz@bld.de](mailto:datenschutz@bld.de).

## **2. Collection and Storage of Personal Data**

We collect the following data within the scope of our professional activities:

- title (optional);
- form of address, first name, surname;
- a valid email address;
- registered office address, phone number;
- name of the company, department and position;
- with respect to business/contracting partners: Information required for the preparation, subsequent processing and handling of the business relationship (e.g. contract data, tax number, account data);
- with respect to other communication partners: information necessary for the examination, assertion and defence of our client's rights

This data is collected

- in the case of business/contracting partners exclusively for the proper implementation and handling of the business relationship, namely
  - to be able to identify you as our contracting partner;
  - to initiate, implement and/or process the contract;
  - to be able to correspond with you;
- in the case of other communication partners exclusively for the proper implementation and handling of the lawyer's contract with our client, namely
  - to be able to identify you as our communication partner;
  - to be able to consult and represent our client adequately as lawyers;
  - to be able to correspond with you;
  - to be able to handle possible claims arising from the lawyer's contract

### **3. Basis, Purpose and Duration of the Processing**

The data processing takes place

- With respect to business/contracting partners, the data processing takes place because of our business relations and is insofar necessary pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. b General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR") in order to implement the contract (comprising its initiation and handling) as well as in order to perform the resulting mutual obligations required;
- With respect to other communication partners, the data processing takes place because of the lawyer's contract with our client and is necessary pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. c and lit. f *GDPR* for compliance with our legal obligations as lawyers as well as for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by our client. As regards our legitimate interest in the data processing, no prevailing interests, fundamental rights and freedoms of you as the data subject are opposed, as the data processing is indispensable in order to perform our obligations as lawyers.

As a rule, the personal data that we collect for the performance of our professional activities will be stored for six years after the end of the business contact or after termination of the contract and

then erased. This of course does not apply if we are exceptionally authorised and/or obliged to store your data for a longer period of time – for example due to tax and commercial law provisions (cf. Article 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. c *GDPR*), to defend against any liability claims against us or on the basis of an agreement concluded with you (Article 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. a *GDPR*).

#### **4. Disclosure of Data to Third Parties**

Your personal data will only be disclosed to third parties insofar as

- in the case of business/contracting partners, this is necessary pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. b or c *GDPR* for the implementation and handling of business relations or for exercising a legal obligation. In exceptional cases, it may become necessary to disclose your personal data to third parties due to our legitimate interests pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. f *GDPR*, if and insofar as this is not opposed to your interests, fundamental rights and freedoms;
- in the case of other communication partners, this is necessary pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. b or f *GDPR* for the implementation and handling of the lawyer's contract or rather for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by our client. This includes in particular the disclosure to opposing parties in proceedings and their representatives (especially their lawyers), to courts, other public authorities and insurers for the purposes of correspondence and for the establishment and defence of our client's rights. The third party may not use the disclosed data for any other purposes.

#### **5. Your Rights as a Data Subject**

You have the right

- pursuant to Art. 15 *GDPR*, to obtain access to your personal data processed by us and certain further information;
- pursuant to Art. 16 *GDPR*, to obtain without undue delay the rectification of inaccurate personal data or the completion of incomplete personal data stored by us;
- pursuant to Art. 17 *GDPR*, to demand the erasure of your personal data stored by us, unless the processing is necessary for fulfilling a legal obligation (e.g. due to storage periods), for exercising the right of freedom of expression and information, for reasons of public interest or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims;

- pursuant to Art. 18 *GDPR*, to demand the restriction of processing of your personal data, as far as the accuracy of the personal data is contested by you, the processing is unlawful, but you oppose the erasure of the data and we no longer need the data, but they are required by you for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims or you have objected to the processing of your personal data pursuant to Art. 21 *GDPR*.
- pursuant to Art. 20 *GDPR*, to receive the personal data which you have provided to us in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format or to request that it be transferred to another controller;
- pursuant to Art. 77 *GDPR*, to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority. As a rule, for this purpose you can contact the supervisory authority of your usual place of residence, place of work or of our law firm's place of residence.

## **6. Right to Object**

In case your personal data is processed for the purpose of legitimate interests pursuant to Art. 6 para. 1 sentence 1 lit. f *GDPR*, you have the right to object to the processing of your personal data pursuant to Art. 21 *GDPR*, provided that there are reasons for this arising from your particular situation. If you wish to make use of your right to object, simply send an email to [datenschutz@bld.de](mailto:datenschutz@bld.de).