**Privacy notice**

- admission procedure for the doctoral programme; doctoral training[[1]](#footnote-1), doctoral procedure[[2]](#footnote-2), nostrification procedure -

For the doctoral programme, the document “Privacy notice for admitted applicants and student status”[[3]](#footnote-3) applies with the exceptions contained in this privacy notice

**In accordance with** **Article 12 (1) of REGULATION (EU) 2016/679 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (henceforth: GDPR)**

Eötvös Loránd University informs you, as data subject, on the processing of your personal data related to the doctoral admission procedure[[4]](#footnote-4), the doctoral programme, the doctoral procedure and the nostrification procedure*.*

**Who is the Data Controller/Data Processor?**

**Data controller:**

**Eötvös Loránd University**

Egyetem tér 1-3.

H-1053 Budapest

Responsible department for exercising the rights and fulfilling the obligations: the faculty responsible for the doctoral programme, the doctoral procedure and the nostrification procedure.

Contact information of the offices handling the affairs pertaining to the programme: <https://www.elte.hu/en/find-degree-program>

The procedure involves the Directorate of Education and the committees listed in Eötvös Loránd University’s Doctoral Regulations. These committees must also include external members (not employed by the University) in accordance with Section 12/A (2) of Government Decree 387/2012 (XII.19.) on Doctoral Schools, Doctoral Procedure, and Habilitation.

**Data Processor**: LogiNet Systems Kft. as the web developer of Eötvös Loránd University’s website, for applications submitted online. Data relating to registration for exams and the submission of dissertations via email is handled by Microsoft.

**Purpose of processing of data:** During the application process we process your data for the purpose of assessing whether you meet the admission criteria, organising the entrance exam (if there is one, according to the guide for the doctoral programme in question) and making admission decisions. Once you have been admitted, your data is processed for administrative purposes relating to the establishment of the student status, the doctoral programme and procedure and the nostrification procedure.

**Data are processed by the University:** The data we collect and process include information necessary for enrolment in the programme, the entrance exam (if there is one, according to the guide for the doctoral programme in question) and the billing information you provide for the fulfilment of payment obligations. We also process data relating to the doctoral programme, the habitus investigation, the comprehensive examination, the doctoral procedure (specifically for the doctoral dissertation, its defence and publication) and the nostrification procedure.

The Distance education and distance exams section of the “Privacy notice for admitted applicants and student status” must also be applied accordingly over the course of the doctoral procedure.

**Legal basis for the processing:** We process your data in accordance with Article 6 (1) e) of GDPR because it is necessary for the performance of tasks carried out in the public interest, the doctoral programme, the doctoral procedure and the nostrification procedure. Your data is handled in accordance with the following laws: Section 18 and point I/B of Annex 3 of Act CCIV of 2011 on National Higher Education, Act C of 2001 on the Recognition of Foreign Certificates and Degrees, Government Decree 423/2012. (XII.29.) on Higher Education Admission Procedure, Government Decree 387/2012 (XII.19.) on Doctoral Schools, Doctoral Procedure, and Habilitation and Government Decree 87/2015 on the Implementation of Certain Provisions of Act CCIV of 2011 on National Higher Education. Under Government Decree 423/2012. (XII.29.), the requirements laid out in the University Doctoral Regulations shall apply.

Health-related data in the interest of promoting equal opportunities are processed in accordance with Article 6 (1) e) and Article 9 (2) g) of GDPR (for reasons of substantial public interest).

You, as data subject, have the right to object, on grounds relating to your particular situation, at any time to processing of personal data concerning you, including profiling[[5]](#footnote-5). The controller shall no longer process the personal data unless the controller demonstrates compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override the interests, rights and freedoms of the data subject or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.

We process the data you provide for the purpose of facilitating subsequent administration (e.g. your phone number) with your consent, in line with Article 6 (1) a) of GDPR. You have the right to withdraw your consent at any time, specifically in an email sent to the contact person. The withdrawal of consent shall not affect the lawfulness of processing based on consent before its withdrawal.

**The recipients[[6]](#footnote-6) or categories of recipients of the personal data in the case of data transfer:** In the case of training programmes financed by external organisations (e.g. the University Researcher Scholarship Programme, the Cooperative Doctoral Programme, Stipendium Hungaricum), the Sponsor has access to the data provided by the data subject in question when exercising their right to oversee the use of their grant. Your data may be shared with domestic or foreign higher education institutions in the case of joint doctoral programmes, doctoral programmes or partial studies organised with a foreign institution (University Doctoral Regulations Sections 77-80).

Your data is disclosed via the education register to the ministry responsible for higher education in accordance with Act LXXXIX of 2018 as well as the Educational Authority.

Your data relating to the defence of the doctoral dissertation is shared with doktori.hu run by the National Doctoral Council.

Data displayed publicly on doktori.hu include the time and date of the defence of the dissertation, the name of the doctoral candidate/individual who has obtained a doctoral degree and their supervisor, the dissertation and the accompanying theses (in accordance with Nftv. Section 53 (6) and Govt. Decree 387/2012 Section 16 (1)[[7]](#footnote-7)). Data relating to a nationally recognised academic degree that is displayed publicly include your name, the name of the institutions that issued and recognised the degree, the date of the issuance of the degree certificate and its nostrification and the title of the dissertation.

Under Section 53/A (2) of National Higher Education Act the doctoral dissertation and its accompanying theses are to be submitted to the bibliographic database of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

The comprehensive examination and the defence of the dissertation are accessible to the public. The University Library shall keep a printed copy of the dissertation and its accompanying theses and ensure the accessibility of the theses (National Higher Education Act Section 53/A (1)). The doctoral dissertation cannot be borrowed but is available to the public at doktori.hu and Eötvös Loránd University’s Digital Institutional Repository.

**The transfer of personal data to third country[[8]](#footnote-8) or international organisation:** Your data is not shared with third countries or international organisations, except in the case of training programmes financed by external organisations if specifically stated in an agreement, and in the case of joint doctoral programmes, doctoral programmes or partial studies organised with a foreign institution (University Doctoral Regulations Sections 77-80).

**Duration of the processing:** If the admission procedure is unsuccessful (including the application procedure for the comprehensive examination), we keep your data until September 15, and until March 15 in the case of an application for a cross semester.

If you are admitted to the University, your data – including data relating to the doctoral procedure – is stored for 80 years from the notification of the termination of the student status in line with the provisions laid down in the “Privacy notice for admitted applicants and student status”.

Data relating to the fees and tuition paid, receipts and billing information are stored for 8 years following the date of issue of the invoice (in line with the Accounting Act).

**Your rights:**

1. **Transparent information, communication and modalities for the exercise of the rights of the data subject** – In this privacy notice the controller provides information about the circumstances of data processing, e.g. data controller, purposes, legal basis and duration of data processing, enforceable data subject rights, complaint procedures and available legal remedies for data subjects;
2. **Right of access by the data subject** – You have the right to obtain from the controller confirmation as to whether or not personal data concerning you are being processed, the controller shall provide complete information and a copy of the personal data undergoing processing;
3. **Right to rectification** – You have the right to obtain from the controller the rectification of inaccurate personal data concerning you and you also have the right to have incomplete personal data completed;
4. **Right to erasure (‘right to be forgotten’)** – You can ask for the controller the erasure of your personal data;
5. **Right to restriction of processing** – If you ask, your personal data can’t be processed with the exception of storage;
6. **Notification obligation regarding rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing** – We inform you about the recipients referred to GDPR under the conditions set out in the GDPR;
7. **Right to data portability** (if the controller processes your data on the basis of your consent/contract   
   and the processing is carried out by automated means) – You have the right to receive your personal data, which you have provided to a controller, in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format and you have the right to have the personal data transmitted directly from one controller to another, where technically feasible;
8. **Right to object** – You can object, at any time to processing of your personal data if the processing is based on a legitimate interest pursued by the controller or by a third party or the processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller;
9. **The right not to be subject to a decision based solely on automated processing, including profiling** – Tell us, if you are concerned! This right is not relevant if this privacy notice does not contain information about automated decision-making.
10. **The right to legal remedy** – In the case of breach of your rights, you can turn to the data protection officer, to the National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information or you can sue in court.

**If you have any questions or you need legal remedy, turn to:**

**Data protection officer of the University:**

Data Protection Office

1056 Budapest, Szerb utca 21-23.

Email: [dataprotection@elte.hu](mailto:dataprotection@elte.hu)

**National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information**

1363 Budapest, Pf. 9.

[www.naih.hu](http://www.naih.hu)

Tel.: +36-1-391-1400

**The court:**

You can sue for a claim according to your place of residence.

**APPENDIX to privacy notice**

**Details concerning the rights of data subjects**

For the purposes of this information sheet (and of GDPR), **’data subject’ shall mean** a natural person who has been identified by reference to specific personal data, or who can be identified, directly or indirectly; **’personal data[[9]](#footnote-9)’** 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 (Article 4 of GDPR).

Data subjects may contact the controller with regard to all issues related to the exercise of their rights under GDPR. The controller shall provide information on action taken on a request under Articles 15 to 22 to the data subject without undue delay and in any event within one month of receipt of the request. That period may be extended by two further months where necessary, taking into account the complexity and number of the requests. The controller shall inform the data subject of any such extension within one month of receipt of the request, together with the reasons for the delay. Where the data subject makes the request by electronic form means, the information shall be provided by electronic means where possible, unless otherwise requested by the data subject.

**You can read about your rights below:**

1. Transparent information, communication and modalities for the exercise of the rights of the data subject (See Article 12-14 of GDPR for more information)

The data controller shall provide the data subject with information on the circumstances of the processing, including, inter alia, which personal data of the data subject, for what purposes, on what basis and for how long will be processed; the data subject's rights in relation to the processing; the source of the data if personal data have not been obtained from the data subject; to whom he or she may address any questions or complaints regarding the processing, etc.

When requested by the data subject, the information may be provided orally, provided that the identity of the data subject is proven by other means.

1. Right of access by the data subject (See Article 15 of GDPR for more information)

The data subject may request from the controller full information about the processing and a copy of his or her personal data.

The data subject shall have the right to obtain from the controller confirmation as to whether or not personal data concerning him or her are being processed, and, where that is the case, access to the personal data and the following information:

(a) the purposes of the processing;

(b) the categories of personal data concerned;

(c) the recipients or categories of recipient to whom the personal data have been or will be disclosed, in particular recipients in third countries or international organisations;

(d) where possible, the envisaged period for which the personal data will be stored, or, if not possible, the criteria used to determine that period;

(e) the existence of the right to request from the controller rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing of personal data concerning the data subject or to object to such processing;

(f) the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority;

(g) where the personal data are not collected from the data subject, any available information as to their source;

(h) the existence of automated decision-making, including profiling, referred to in Article 22 of GDPR, meaningful information about the logic involved, as well as the significance and the envisaged consequences of such processing for the data subject.

1. Right to rectification (Article 16 of GDPR)

The data subject shall have the right to obtain from the controller without undue delay the rectification of inaccurate personal data concerning him or her. Taking into account the purposes of the processing, the data subject shall have the right to have incomplete personal data completed, including by means of providing a supplementary statement.

1. Right to erasure (‘right to be forgotten’) (See Article 17 of GDPR for more information)

The data subject shall have the right to obtain from the controller the erasure of personal data concerning him or her without undue delay and the controller shall have the obligation to erase personal data without undue delay where one of the following grounds applies:

(a) the purpose of the processing has ceased;

(b) the data subject withdraws consent on which the processing is based, and where there is no other legal ground for the processing;

(c) the data subject objects to the processing of personal data which is based on a legitimate interest pursued by the controller or by a third party or is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller, and there are no overriding legitimate grounds for the processing;

(d) the processing is unlawful;

(e) the personal data have to be erased in order to comply with a legal obligation in Union or Member State law to which the controller is subject;

(f) the personal data have been collected in relation to information society services offered directly to children.

1. Right to restriction of processing (See Article 18 of GDPR for more information)

The data subject shall have the right to obtain from the controller restriction of processing where one of the following applies:

(a) the data subject contests the accuracy of the personal data;

(b) the processing is unlawful and the data subject opposes the erasure of the personal data;

(c) the controller no longer needs the personal data for the purposes of the processing, but they are required by the data subject for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims;

(d) the processing is based on legitimate interest pursued by the controller or by a third party or is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller, and the data subject objects to the processing.

In this case, the controller only stores the data, with the exceptions set out in the GDPR.

1. Notification obligation regarding rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing (Article 19 of GDPR)

The controller shall communicate any rectification or erasure of personal data or restriction of processing carried out to each recipient to whom the personal data have been disclosed, unless this proves impossible or involves disproportionate effort. The controller shall inform the data subject about those recipients if the data subject requests it.

1. Right to data portability (See Article 20 of GDPR for more information)

The data subject shall have the right to receive the personal data concerning him or her, which he or she has provided to a controller, in a structured, commonly used and machine-readable format and has the right to transmit those data to another controller without hindrance from the controller to which the personal data have been provided, where:

(a) the processing is based on consent or on a contract; and

(b) the processing is carried out by automated means.

In exercising the right to data portability, the data subject shall have the right to have the personal data transmitted directly from one controller to another, where technically feasible.

The exercise of this right shall be without prejudice to the right to be erasure.

The right to data portability shall 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 the controller.

1. Right to object (See Article 21 of GDPR for more information)

The data subject shall have the right to object, on grounds relating to his or her particular situation, at any time to processing of personal data concerning him or her which is based on legitimate interest pursued by the controller or by a third party or if the processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller, including profiling[[10]](#footnote-10) based on those provisions. The controller shall no longer process the personal data unless the controller demonstrates compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override the interests, rights and freedoms of the data subject or for the establishment, exercise or defence of legal claims.

1. Automated individual decision-making, including profiling (See Article 22 of GDPR for more information)

The data subject shall have the right not to be subject to a decision based solely on automated processing, including profiling, which produces legal effects concerning him or her or similarly significantly affects him or her.

This provision shall not apply if the decision:

(a) is necessary for entering into, or performance of, a contract between the data subject and a data controller;

(b) is authorised by Union or Member State law to which the controller is subject and which also lays down suitable measures to safeguard the data subject's rights and freedoms and legitimate interests; or

(c) is based on the data subject's explicit consent.

In this case, the data controller shall implement suitable measures to safeguard the data subject's rights and freedoms and legitimate interests, at least the right to obtain human intervention on the part of the controller, to express his or her point of view and to contest the decision.

1. The right to legal remedy – alternative possibilities

10.1. Data protection officer (See Article 12 of GDPR and Article 38-39 of GDPR for more information)

Data subjects may contact the data protection officer with regard to all issues related to processing of their personal data and to the exercise of their rights under GDPR (Article 38(4) of GDPR).

If the controller does not take action on the request of the data subject, the controller shall inform the data subject without delay and at the latest within one month of receipt of the request of the reasons for not taking action and on the possibility of lodging a complaint with a supervisory authority and seeking a judicial remedy (Article 12(4) of GDPR)

10.2. Procedures of the National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information (Articles 57-58 and 77 of GDPR; Sections 51/A (1), 52-54, 55 (1)-(2), 56-58, and 60-61 of Privacy Act[[11]](#footnote-11))

Anyone (i.e. not only the data subject) may lodge a complaint with the National Authority for Data Protection and Freedom of Information (hereinafter the Authority), in order to initiate an investigation on the grounds that a personal data breach has occurred or is imminent.

It is important that the notification is not anonymous, otherwise the Authority may reject the notification without any substantive investigation. Further grounds for refusal are set out in Section 53 of Act CXII of 2011 on the Right to Informational Self-Determination and Freedom of Information (Privacy Act).

The Authority's investigation is free of charge and the costs of the investigation are advanced and borne by the Authority. The detailed rules for the conduct of the procedure are laid down in Sections 54, 55 (1) to (2) and 56 to 58 of the Privacy Act.

To ensure that the right to the protection of personal data is enforced, the Authority shall commence an authority procedure for data protection at the application of the data subject in line with Sections 60-61 of Privacy Act.

10.3. Right to an effective judicial remedy against a controller or processor (Sections 23-24 of Privacy Act; Article 79 of GDPR)

Without prejudice to any available administrative or non-judicial remedy, including the right to lodge a complaint with a supervisory authority, each data subject has the right to an effective judicial remedy where he or she considers that his or her rights under GDPR have been infringed as a result of the processing of his or her personal data in non-compliance with GDPR.

Proceedings against a controller or a processor shall be brought before the courts of the Member State where the controller or processor has an establishment. Alternatively, such proceedings may be brought before the courts of the Member State where the data subject has his or her habitual residence, unless the controller or processor is a public authority of a Member State acting in the exercise of its public powers.

In Hungary, the data subject, according to his/her choice may bring the action before the regional court having territorial jurisdiction over his domicile or place of residence.

Possibility to claim damages and compensation:

* The controller or the processor shall be liable for compensating any damage which another person may suffer as a result of processing that infringes the provisions laid down in laws or the binding legal act of the European Union on the processing of personal data.
* The controller or the processor shall be liable for paying a grievance award for the violation of personality rights that another person may suffer as a result of processing that infringes the provisions laid down in law or the binding legal act of the European Union on the processing of personal data, if the person whose personality rights had been violated has made a claim addressed to the controller or the processor for such a grievance award.

1. Doctoral training comprises training, research and reporting activities performed individually or in groups, made up of a training and research phase, and a training and dissertation phase; National Higher Education Act Section 53 (3) A person who has prepared individually for obtaining a degree may also join a doctoral program, provided they have fulfilled the requirements for admission and for doctoral training. In that case, student status is established by passing the comprehensive examination (…) [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Including the doctoral procedure involving the establishment of the Doctoral Candidate status (See Section 97 (1)-(3) of ELTE Organisational and Operational Regulations Vol 2: Annex 6 to the Academic Regulations for Students: Doctoral Regulations). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. See in Neptun. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. In the case of applicants who prepare individually, this includes the habitus investigation and the subsequent comprehensive examination, as well as any entrance exam required by the faculty doctoral regulations. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. ‘profiling’ means any form of automated processing of personal data consisting of the use of personal data to evaluate certain personal aspects relating to a natural person, in particular to analyse or predict aspects concerning that natural person's performance at work, economic situation, health, personal preferences, interests, reliability, behaviour, location or movements; [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. ‘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; [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
7. National Higher Education Act Section 53 (6) All doctoral degrees awarded shall be recorded in a central register, which shall be open to the public for inspection. The register shall be accessible online. Govt. Decree 387/2012 Section 16 (1) Doctoral dissertations shall be defended before a board of referees, in public debate. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
8. ‘third country’ which is not EEA country. The EEA countries are: countries of the European Union and also Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway. Switzerland and the United Kingdom provide the same level of data protection as the EU; [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
9. **’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. [↑](#footnote-ref-9)
10. Article 4 of GDPR: ‘profiling’ means any form of automated processing of personal data consisting of the use of personal data to evaluate certain personal aspects relating to a natural person, in particular to analyse or predict aspects concerning that natural person's performance at work, economic situation, health, personal preferences, interests, reliability, behaviour, location or movements; [↑](#footnote-ref-10)
11. Act CXII of 2011 on the Right of Informational Self-Determination and on Freedom of Information [↑](#footnote-ref-11)