Privacy Statement for AMLA's Public Consultation on the draft ITS implementing art. 15(3) of Regulation 2024/1620

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1. Introduction

The Anti-Money Laundering Authority (hereafter "AMLA") is committed to safeguarding your personal data and respecting your privacy.

AMLA collects and processes personal data in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies, and on the free movement of such data (which repealed Regulation (EC) No 45/2001).

This privacy statement explains:

- The purpose and legal basis for processing your personal data,
- How your data is collected, used, and protected,
- Your rights regarding the processing of your personal data, and
- The contact details of AMLA's Data Controller, Data Protection Officer, and the European Data Protection Supervisor.

This statement applies to AMLA's collection, handling, and processing of personal data related to your contributions to the public consultation on the consultation paper related to the draft ITS developed in the context of article published on AMLA's website, as described below.

2. Who is responsible for processing your personal data and under which legal grounds?

AMLA is the Controller organising the consultation of interested parties, you can contact AMLA through the following email: public.consultations@amla.europa.eu. Please note that when you use EU Survey, the European Commission may also collect and process your personal data for its own purposes. In such cases, the Commission acts as the data controller for that separate processing. For more information on how the Commission handles your data, please refer to its own privacy statement¹.

The authentication tool used to reply via EU Survey is EU-login. This is a tool of the European Commission for which the European Commission is a separate controller².

The processing operation made by AMLA (the collection, assessment, storage and publication of personal data in the context of public consultations) is based on Article 5(1)(a) and (2) ("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 Union institution or body") of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

The task carried out in the public interest specified in Article 49 of Regulation (EU) 2024/1620 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing ("AMLAR"), mandates AMLA to conduct public consultations on draft regulatory technical standards prior to their submission to the European Commission. Exceptions apply only where such consultations would be clearly disproportionate to the scope and impact of the draft standard or where the urgency of the matter makes consultation impractical.

3. Purpose of the processing

The purpose of the processing is the running and management of public consultations (including collection, assessment, storage and publication of personal data) as foreseen in Article 49 of the AMLAR. The objective of these public consultations is to gather views from citizens and stakeholders on specific topics under consideration. As relevant, your contribution will be processed for the purposes or re-assessing and, where necessary, revising AMLA's policy on the conduct of public consultations.

¹ For more information on the processing of personal data by EU Survey of the European Commission you may read the EU Survey's <u>Data Processing Agreement</u> or its <u>Privacy Statement</u>.

² For more information, please consult the European Commission's applicable Privacy Statement (DPR-EC-03187), available by clicking <u>here</u>.

Further, for the purpose of transparency, contributions received will be published on AMLA's website, as described below.

Before publication, AMLA staff performs a limited screening of all contributions provided for the sole purpose of blocking unauthorized submissions. After this, the replies are made available to the public on the dedicated webpage of the public consultation³. Supporting documents attached with the replies are not altered in any way by AMLA.

Please note that by submitting your contribution, you acknowledge that it will be published on AMLA's website. Your name will also be published unless you object to its publication. Your email address will never be published.

4. Are your personal data subject to any international transfers?

Since your contributions will be published in AMLA's website unless you exercise your right to object, your data if revealed (except your name, surname, and email address) Who has access to your personal data and to whom are they disclosed?

Your personal data may be disclosed to the following:

- Internal units:
 - Staff members of the responsible business units that runs the particular public consultation,
 - o Management if requested,
 - o IT unit for technical support,
 - o Communications unit for engaging back to the individual respondents,
- Member states authorities or third parties within the EU:
 - o Public disclosure on AMLA's website
- Third countries and/or international organisations:
 - O Public disclosure on AMLA's website the individual respondents are aware that whatever personal data they may provide will be made public unless objected upon the publication. The disclosure of all individual responses on the Authority's website amounts to an international data transfer, under the legal basis of Article 50(1)(a) and Article 50(1)(e) of the Dara Protection Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2018/1725).

5. For how long do we keep your personal data?

AMLA applies specific retention periods to personal data collected in the context of public consultations, in line with applicable EU data protection rules:

- All data, including identifiers, opinions, and views: Personal data and consultation responses are retained for five years following the closing of the file. This period reflects

³ Available by clicking <u>here</u>.

the need to ensure traceability and accountability, as the products of the consultation (such as guidelines, recommendations, or technical standards) are made publicly available,

- Technical data (e.g., device ID, IP address, duration of session): Such data is processed exclusively by the European Commission as processor through the EU Survey tool and is retained only for the time necessary to complete the survey. AMLA does not store this information.
- Archival purposes: Files related to public consultations are preserved in the Historical Archives of the European Union (HAEU) for transparency and the exercise of the right of access. These archives are maintained indefinitely, with public access granted after 30 years in accordance with archival rules.

6. How can you verify, modify or delete your personal data?

As the individual to whom the personal data relate, you can exercise the rights below. Please note that these rights are not absolute rights, and certain conditions need to be met for its effective application.

- 1. Access your personal data under the conditions of Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725,
- 2. Rectify your personal data under the conditions of Article 18 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.
- 3. Erase your personal data under Article 19 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, when applicable,
- 4. Restrict the processing concerning yourself under Article 20 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, when applicable or
- 5. Exercise the right to data portability under Article 22 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.
- 6. Exercise your right to object under Article 23 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

Specifically for this processing activity, the right to object is of particular importance. If, as an individual respondent, you have not objected to the publication of your name when submitting your contribution, you have the right to object to the publication of your name in connection with your contribution after it was published. If we are not able to demonstrate compelling legitimate grounds for the processing which override your interests, rights and freedoms, we will remove the personal data categories indicated in section 3.1 above.

We do not use your personal data for automated decision-making.

To exercise your rights as a data subject, see section 7 below.

7. How to ask a question or claim your rights?

In case you have any questions or wish to exercise your rights as a data subject, please contact AMLA at dpo@amla.europa.eu. AMLA will respond within one month of receiving your request, with possible extensions for complex cases.

Should you wish to file a complaint we encourage you to always contact AMLA's Data Protection Officer first to raise your questions or concerns. You also have the right to recourse to the European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS), as a supervisory authority, using the following contact information:

European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS) Rue Wiertz 60 B-1047 Brussels, Belgium

Email: edps@edps.europa.eu. Website: https://edps.europa.eu.