

In order to comply with the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we would like to inform you about the personal data that ROB is collecting in the frame of its activities as Central Bureau of the EUREF Permanent Network (EPN).

# PRIVACY POLICY

## 1. Collecting of data through which the visitor cannot be identified

During your visit on the web and ftp site of the Central Bureau of the EUREF Permanent Network – EPN ([epncb.eu](http://epncb.eu) or [epncb.oma.be](http://epncb.oma.be)), we collect information such as the used browser, the downloaded files, the visited web pages, the duration of the visit, and the IP address. From this information, we cannot directly identify a user. ROB uses the gathered information to generate statistics aiming to 1) improve the services provided on the web and ftp site, and 2) demonstrate the usage of these services.

## 2. Processing of personal data

### 2.1 EPN components

**Content:** In order to perform our role as Central Bureau of the EPN, we maintain information on agencies and associated contact persons providing EPN data, products or services (DPS): GNSS stations, Operational Centers, Data Centers, and Analysis Centers. For some agencies, this includes personal data such as names, business telephone numbers, and emails.

**Purpose:** ROB uses the person names and business email addresses for contacting by email people for non-commercial communications related to the EPN components they are involved in.

**Location:** ROB stores these personal data in its internal database, but they are also publicly available without restrictions from our web and ftp site

**Re-use:** The personal data of the agencies/persons providing EPN DPS are public and published on the EPN CB web and ftp site. This is done to allow EPN users to contact EPN DPS whenever they need clarification or have questions about one of the provided DPS.

**Historical info:** The personal data is kept as long as the agency is providing DPS to the EPN. In some case, the personal data go back to 1996 when the EPN was created, but when personal data are updated or replaced by the personal data of another person, the old data are deleted.

**Editing and removal:** If you do not want your name and other personal contact information to be stored by the EPN CB or appear on the public area of the EPN CB, then contact the EPN Central Bureau at [epncb@oma.be](mailto:epncb@oma.be).

Registered agencies can update, correct, and remove on-line any personal data related to GNSS stations and Operational Centers on the [epncb.eu](http://epncb.eu) web site. The personal data that we store for Analysis Centers and Data Centers can be edited or removed by contacting by email at [epncb@oma.be](mailto:epncb@oma.be).

## 2.2 Mailing lists

ROB maintains three mailing lists for three email exploders: the EUREF mail, EUREF-IP and EUREF LAC mail exploders. The data included in these messages are used only for the purposes of EUREF communications and announcements.

**Content:** For each mailing list, we maintain the list of person names and email addresses of the persons receiving the emails. In addition, the messages sent via the mail exploders are collected on a ftp server and are publicly available without restrictions. It is therefore recommended to avoid the use of personal data in your messages.

**Purpose:** The personal data of the mailing lists are solely used to distribute emails that are sent to one of the three email exploders. These emails are subject to a dedicated filter to make sure no spam is distributed through the mailing lists.

**Location:** We store the personal data internally and keep them as long as your do not request to be removed from any of the mailing lists.

**Historical info:** The mails go back to the beginning of the EPN in 1996 and some of them have historical values. An example are the mails where data quality problems in one of the GNSS stations of the EPN are reported.

**Editing and removal:** The personal data of our mailing lists can be edited or removed by contacting us by email at [epncb@oma.be](mailto:epncb@oma.be). By sending a message to one of the EUREF mailing lists, you are consenting the archiving and publicly availability of the contents of your message. ROB does not have the tools to remove or edit the personal data in the emails themselves.

## 2.3 Personal data in EPN data and product files

ROB maintains a scientific data center that provides, in open access, GNSS data and data product files from the EUREF Permanent GNSS Network.

**Content:** Some of the GNSS data and product files from available on the ROB ftp site may contain personal data as part of the files headers. The data providers are aware that the data and product files are provided with the intent to make them publicly available without any restrictions. It is up to the provider of these files to decide to include personal data in the files.

**Location:** ROB does not read the personal data in the GNSS data and product files nor stores them in any database or file.

**Re-use:** The GNSS data and data product files are publicly available, also the personal data that have been provided in these files.

**Historical info:** The GNSS data and data product files go back to the observation time and production time of the data and product files. They go maximally back to 1996.

**Editing, removal:** Upon request at [epncb@oma.be](mailto:epncb@oma.be) the personal data in the GNSS data and product files can be edited or removed.