

M³G PRIVACY POLICY

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The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is an EU legislation aimed at giving EU residents more control over their personal data.

This document provides information on the management of the personal data collected by the Royal Observatory of Belgium (ROB) in the frame of its activities as “**GNSS Metadata Management and distribution system for Multiple GNSS Networks – M³G**” (<https://gnss-metadata.eu>).

Content: In order to perform its role as GNSS station metadata management system, M³G allows all registered agencies to insert in M³G personal data (names, emails and optionally business telephone numbers) of contact persons involved in the provision of GNSS data originating from their GNSS stations. M³G strongly recommends inserting only non-personal contact information e.g., gnssteam@agency.org. However, agencies can also choose to insert in M³G personal contact information, even if this is discouraged.

Purpose: ROB uses non-personal contact information as well as personal data of the contact persons inserted in M³G solely for sending (non-commercial) emails related to the operation of the GNSS stations they are responsible for.

Location and re-use: ROB stores these personal data in its internal database together with non-personal contact information. This information is useful to allow GNSS data users to contact GNSS station managers whenever they need clarification about the provided GNSS data. If users provide their explicit consent by email, their personal data (appearing in site logs and/or linked to data nodes/networks) will be made publicly available from ROB’s website and ftp server. If users decline, then their contact information will not be exported (in e.g. site logs) and will be replaced by the non-personal contact information of their agency.

Historical info: The personal contact information is stored at ROB as long as the agency does not remove it from M³G. When this personal data is updated or replaced by the personal data of another person, old data is automatically deleted.

Editing and removal: Upon login to its website, M³G enables users to update, correct, and remove any personal data.

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