

Data protection in practice: The DARIAH ELDAH Consent Form Wizard



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- Working Group of the ESFRI ERIC [DARIAH-EU](https://www.dariah.eu/) (Digital Arts & Humanities Research Infrastructure) - <https://www.dariah.eu/>
- established with the aim to address the needs of the DH research and education community regarding the topics of legal issues and research ethics
- Scope of expertise:
 - Intellectual Property Rights and Licensing
 - Data Protection and Privacy
 - Research Ethics and Scholarly Conduct
- Outputs:
 - recommendations, training and information materials
 - workshops to scholars
 - <https://eldah.hypotheses.org/>



The ELDAH consent form wizard (CFW)

<https://consent.dariah.eu/>



"Why" and "What"

- The aim of the tool is to support humanities researchers within the European Union (and beyond) in obtaining valid consent for data processing in the context of their specific professional activity.
- The tool guides you through a questionnaire that will consequently generate a GDPR-compliant form for obtaining consent from your data subjects, tailored to your specific purpose and the data categories you intend to collect.
- The validity of the generated output will be dependent on the truthfulness and accuracy of the input you provide.
- After answering the questionnaire, the CFW will output a consent form template tailored to your needs in plain text format which you can use for creating consent forms to print out and have signed by data subjects, to include in online environments, etcetera.



GDPR: PRINCIPLES OF DATA PROCESSING (ART 5)

- lawfulness, fairness and transparency
- purpose limitation
- data minimisation
- accuracy
- storage limitation
- integrity and confidentiality (security)
- accountability



GDPR: RIGHTS OF THE DATA SUBJECT (ART 12-23)

- Information
- Access
- Rectification
- Erasure
- Restriction of processing
- Data portability
- Objection



GDPR: RESEARCH EXEMPTIONS (ARTICLE 89)

"... for archiving purposes in the public interest, scientific or historical research purposes or statistical purposes."

Union or Member State law may provide for derogations from the rights [of access, rectification, restriction of processing or the right to object] (...) in so far as such rights are likely to render impossible or seriously impair the achievement of the specific purposes (...), providing that appropriate safeguards are applied.



Consent Form Wizard: Scenarios

- Gather data from and/or about living people for research purposes
- Gather data/consent for communication purposes, e.g. mailing list, newsletter
- Gather data/consent for hosting academic events

