

Privacy policy

1. Personal data

We, **Dr Gerhard Preisl & Dr Helgar Schneider**, attorneys-at-law, collect, process and use your personal data only with your consent or mandate or appointment for the purposes agreed with you or if there is another legal basis in accordance with the GDPR; this is done in compliance with data protection and civil law provisions.

Only personal data that is necessary for the performance and processing of our legal services or that you have voluntarily provided to us will be collected.

Personal data is any data that contains individual details about personal or factual circumstances, such as name, address, email address, telephone number, date of birth, age, gender, social security number, video recordings, photos, voice recordings of persons and biometric data such as fingerprints. Sensitive data, such as health data or data relating to criminal proceedings, may also be included.

2. Information and deletion

As a client or, in general, as a data subject, you have the right at any time – subject to the lawyer's duty of confidentiality – to obtain information about your stored personal data, its origin and recipients, and the purpose of data processing, as well as the right to correction, data transfer, objection, restriction of processing, and blocking or deletion of incorrect or inadmissibly processed data.

If there are any changes to your personal data, please notify us accordingly.

You have the right to revoke your consent to the use of your personal data at any time. Your request for information, deletion, correction, objection and/or data transfer, in the latter case provided that this does not involve disproportionate effort, can be sent to the address of the law firm listed in point 10 of this declaration.

If you believe that our processing of your personal data violates applicable data protection law or that your data protection rights have been violated in any other way, you have the option of lodging a complaint with the competent supervisory authority. In Austria, the Data Protection Authority is responsible for this.

3. Data security

Your personal data is protected by appropriate organisational and technical measures. These measures relate in particular to protection against unauthorised, unlawful or accidental access, processing, loss, use and manipulation.

Despite our efforts to maintain an appropriately high standard of care, it cannot be ruled out that information you disclose to us via the Internet may be viewed and used by other persons.

Please note that we therefore accept no liability whatsoever for the disclosure of information due to errors in data transmission and/or unauthorised access by third parties (e.g. hacking of email accounts or telephones, interception of faxes) that are not caused by us.

4. Use of data

We will not process the data provided to us for purposes other than those covered by the mandate agreement or by your consent or otherwise by a provision in accordance with the GDPR. This does not apply to use for statistical purposes, provided that the data provided has been anonymised.

5. Transfer of data to third parties

In order to fulfil your order, it may also be necessary to forward your data to third parties (e.g. the opposing party, substitutes, insurance companies, service providers we use and to whom we provide data, etc.), courts or authorities. Your data will only be forwarded on the basis of the GDPR, in particular to fulfil your order or on the basis of your prior consent.

Furthermore, we would like to inform you that, within the scope of our legal representation and support, we regularly obtain factual and case-related information about you from third parties.

Some of the above-mentioned recipients of your personal data are located outside your country or process your personal data there. The level of data protection in other countries may not be the same as in the United Kingdom. However, we only transfer your personal data to countries for which the EU Commission has decided that they have an adequate level of data protection, or we take measures to ensure that all recipients have an adequate level of data protection, for which we conclude standard contractual clauses (2010/87/EC and/or 2004/915/EC).

6. Disclosure of data breaches

We endeavour to ensure that data breaches are detected at an early stage and, if necessary, reported to you or the competent supervisory authority without delay, including the respective data categories that are affected.

7. Storage of data

We will not retain data for longer than is necessary to fulfil our contractual or legal obligations and to defend against any liability claims.

8. Cookies

This website uses cookies to make our offering more user-friendly, effective and secure.

A "cookie" is a small text file that we transfer via our web server to the cookie file of your browser on your computer's hard drive. This enables our website to recognise you as a user when a connection is established between our web server and your browser. Cookies help us to determine the frequency of use and the number of users of our website. The content of the cookies we use is limited to an identification number that no longer allows any personal reference to the user. The main purpose of a cookie is to recognise visitors to the website.

Two types of cookies are used on this website:

- Session cookies: These are temporary cookies that remain in your browser's cookie file until you leave our website and are automatically deleted at the end of your visit.
- Persistent cookies: For better user-friendliness, cookies remain stored on your device and allow us to recognise your browser the next time you visit.

You can set your browser so that you are informed about the setting of cookies and only allow cookies in individual cases, exclude the acceptance of cookies for certain cases or in general, and activate the automatic deletion of cookies when you close your browser. If you deactivate cookies, the functionality of this website may be restricted.

9. Server log files

In order to optimise this website in terms of system performance, user-friendliness and the provision of useful information about our services, the website provider automatically collects and stores information in so-called server log files, which your browser automatically transmits to us. This includes your Internet Protocol address (IP address), browser and language settings, operating system, referrer URL, your Internet service provider and date/time.

This data is not merged with personal data sources. We reserve the right to check this data retrospectively if we become aware of specific indications of illegal use.

10. Our contact details

The protection of your data is particularly important to us. You can contact us at any time using the contact details below if you have any questions or wish to revoke your consent.

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