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Data protection description: Opposition to gender equality in the Nordic countries

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The study on Opposition to gender equality in the Nordic countries aims to provide an extensive overview of the manifestation and impact of existing opposition to gender equality and LGBTI rights in the Nordic countries. The study consists of a survey with representatives from non-governmental organisations, researchers, and civil servants from key authorities and other relevant stakeholders in the Nordic countries. Data collection will take place during 2025.

The survey is carried out by PhD Julian Honkasalo for the Council for Gender Equality (Finland) with the funding from the Nordic Council of Ministers.

The register keeper is the Ministry of Social Affairs and Health (MSAH). The researcher carrying out the study (PhD Julian Honkasalo) is the data controller.

1. Data Controller and Contact Information

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2. Data Protection Officer of the register keeper

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3. Purpose and Legal Basis for Processing Personal Data

The purpose of processing personal data is to study opposition to gender equality in the Nordic countries. The legal basis for processing is Article 6(1)(e) (task carried out in the public interest).

4. Storage period of personal data

Personal data will be retained for the duration of the study and for ten (10) years after the study concludes. After this period, the data will be properly destroyed.

The data stored do not include the information enabling direct identification of respondents needed in the implementation stage of the data collection (name and email). They are destroyed within three (3) years from the end of the data collection.

5. Processed Personal Data

The following personal data can be processed in the study depending on the respondent:

- Gender
- Minority status
- Responses and comments related to the study



6. Sources of Personal Data

Personal data is collected directly from individuals participating in the study with their consent.

7. Disclosure of data

As a rule, personal data are not released in identifiable form to outsiders. A user licence can be granted in individual cases for scientific research or studies so that data enabling direct identification have been removed.

8. Transfer of Personal Data Outside the EU or EEA

Personal data will not be transferred outside the EU or EEA.

9. Automatic decision-making

Personal data are not used for automatic decision-making.

10. Rights of the Data Subject

The data subject has the right to:

- Access their personal data
- Rectify incorrect data
- Erase their data (right to be forgotten)
- Restrict the processing of their data
- Object to the processing of their data
- Transfer their data from one system to another

The data subject can exercise their rights by contacting the Data Protection Officer.



11. Right to Lodge a Complaint with a Supervisory Authority

If you think your personal data are processed unlawfully, you can submit a complaint to the Office of the Data Protection Ombudsman (Finland).

Office of the Data Protection Ombudsman

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Further information about submitting a complaint is available on the website of the Office of the Data Protection Ombudsman at www.tietosuoja.fi/en.