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Privacy statement

This privacy notice lets you know what happens to any personal data that you give to the UK Computing Research Committee (UKCRC), or any that we may collect from or about you. It also contains useful information about who to contact in the event you have a question or query.

The UKCRC web pages are hosted and administered by BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT on its website www.bcs.org. Data regarding users and usage of the UKCRC web pages is therefore also held by BCS. The BCS's [data privacy notice](#) for information on how BCS stores and uses this information should therefore be read in conjunction with this UKCRC privacy statement.

Secretariat services are provided to UKCRC by BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT. UKCRC communications are managed via JISCMail. Links to privacy statements for organisations that support UKCRC are below:

[BCS privacy notice](#)
[JISCMail service policies](#)

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UKCRC and what it does

The UK Computing Research Committee aims to promote the vitality, quality and impact of Computing Research in the UK. Its members are internationally leading computing researchers drawn from both academia and industry.

The UKCRC was formed in November 2002 and is an Expert Panel of BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT and the Council of Professors and Heads of Computing (CPHC).

By contributing to policy formation within these three key national bodies, UKCRC enables UK Computing Research to speak with a single voice.

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UKCRC presents its views to Government, Parliamentary Committees and other agencies through pro-active submissions and responses to consultations.

The data that UKCRC requests and why it needs it

UKCRC collects your personal data to understand your needs and provide you with a better member experience. In particular the UKCRC wants to bring to your attention matters of relevance relating to computing research. We will use the information you provide, where you have agreed, for the purpose of consulting, informing and gauging your opinion about matters of relevance to you and the sector. Sometimes we will process your personal data to provide you with information about our work or our activities that you have requested or would expect from us.

UKCRC also processes your data when it is in our legitimate interests to do this and when these interests do not override your rights. These legitimate interests include providing you with information on our membership, services, workshops, conferences, other events and feedback.

What UKCRC does with your data

Secretariat support for UKCRC is provided by BCS which protects the privacy of your information using secure servers. The contact information that you provide will be kept confidential and only used to support the UKCRC's relationship with you.

Your details will be made available, as appropriate, to those UKCRC Executive Committee members, UKCRC members and officers of BCS who are responsible for the services that you request.

If you are a UKCRC member, your information will be processed by UKCRC and BCS for its sole use for the purpose of promoting, delivering and improving your experience of UKCRC, as described in this Privacy Statement.

Your personal data may be disclosed and transferred to third parties in the UK to enable BCS to meet any legal or other legitimate obligations. Your personal data may also be disclosed and transferred to third-parties outside of the UK and European Economic Area (the "EEA"), to enable BCS to meet any legal or other legitimate obligations in that country.

In all instances, we ensure all such third parties have appropriate measures and controls in place to protect your information, in accordance with applicable data protection laws and regulations and regulatory guidance in place at any given time.

Some events or publications, listed on the UKCRC website, are organised in co-operation with other organisations. When you register for this type of event or publication, it will be made clear with whom your registration data is being shared.

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If you choose to receive information from other organisations and later decide that you no longer want to receive further information, you should contact the relevant organisation directly. You should be aware that, if you give any personal data to another company, the uses to which that information may be put will be determined by that company's privacy policy. The UKCRC's privacy policy will no longer apply. Otherwise, except for the purposes of law enforcement, regulation or legal proceedings, or with your explicit permission, UKCRC will not give or sell your personal data.

Data protection law and UKCRC

UKCRC operates under the European General Data Protection Regulation ('GDPR'). The GDPR applies to 'personal data' that we process. Under the GDPR, the data protection principles set out the main responsibilities for organisations and UKCRC is responsible for, and must be able to demonstrate, compliance with its principles.

We must ensure that personal data shall be:

1. processed lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner
2. collected for specified, explicit and legitimate purposes and not further processed in a manner that is incompatible with those purposes
3. adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary in relation to the purposes for which they are processed
4. accurate and where necessary kept up to date
5. kept for no longer than is necessary for the purposes for which the personal data are processed

We retain your information whilst you are a member of the UKCRC. When deciding what to retain, we take into account what information we need to best provide you with services, to manage your relationship with us, meet our statutory and legal obligations and meet our members' and customers' reasonable expectations. Member information is deleted once a member becomes inactive through resignation, lapse, retirement or deceased. For further details, please contact ukcrc@bcs.uk.

6. processed in a manner that ensures appropriate security of the personal data, including protection against unauthorised or unlawful processing and against accidental loss, destruction or damage, using appropriate technical or organisational measures.

UKCRC processes your personal data based on contract, legitimate interests or by obtaining consent.

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In the majority of cases UKCRC processes personal data based on an individual's contract with UKCRC, for example a membership agreement or request for services. In other cases, UKCRC processes personal data only where there are legitimate grounds for so doing.

To meet its Data Protection obligations under GDPR, UKCRC has established proportionate governance measures.

An individual's rights under data protection law

Under the GDPR an individual has the following rights in respect of the personal data processed by UKCRC:

1. The right to be informed about how UKCRC uses personal data. This Privacy Statement explains who we are; the purposes for which we process personal data and our legitimate interests in so doing; the categories of data we process; third party disclosures; and details of transfers of personal data outside the UK.
2. The right of access to the personal data we hold. In most cases this will be free of charge and must be provided within one month of receipt. Please contact ukcrc@bcs.uk to request this.
3. The right to rectification where data is inaccurate or incomplete. In such cases we shall make any amendments or additions within one month of your request.
4. The right to erasure of personal data, but only in very specific circumstances, typically where the personal data is no longer necessary in relation to the purpose for which it was originally collected or processed; or, in certain cases where we have relied on consent to process the data, when that consent is withdrawn and there is no other legitimate reason for continuing to process that data; or when the individual objects to the processing and there is no overriding legitimate interest for continuing the processing.
5. The right to restrict processing, for example while we are reviewing the accuracy or completeness of data or deciding on whether any request for erasure is valid. In such cases we shall continue to store the data, but not further process it until such time as we have resolved the issue.
6. The right to data portability which, subject to a number of qualifying conditions, allows individuals to obtain and reuse their personal data for their own purposes across different services.
7. The right to object in cases where processing is based on legitimate interests, where UKCRC requirement to process the data is overridden by the rights of the individual

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concerned; or for the purposes of direct marketing (including profiling); or for processing for purposes of scientific / historical research and statistics, unless this is for necessary for the performance of a public interest task.

8. Rights in relation to automated decision making and profiling.

UKCRC's supervisory authority for GDPR compliance is the UK Information Commissioner (www.ico.org.uk):

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House, Water Lane
Wilmslow, Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Please contact the Information Commissioner's Office for more information about the GDPR and your rights under data protection law.

If you have a complaint about data protection for UKCRC, please contact ukcrc@bcs.uk.

Tracking your behaviour on the BCS website

Cookies are small files placed on your computer. Details of the use of cookies may be found in the [BCS cookie statement](#).

Subject to the preferences that you have indicated, UKCRC may send emails to its existing members, customers and registered website users. Links included in these may be personalised to allow us to determine which members follow such links.

All web servers record each page request, together with the time and date, and the Internet (IP) address of the user who requested the page.

Questions and comments

You can request a copy of the personal data that UKCRC holds about you. Please apply in writing to ukcrc@bcs.uk, including your name, address and telephone number. Please also contact ukcrc@bcs.uk if you would like further information about this policy.

Links to other web sites

This privacy statement only covers the web services offered by UKCRC. Other external websites are governed by their own privacy statements. We are not responsible for policies or procedures for sites not operated for or on behalf of UKCRC.

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Updates to this policy

The privacy of members and visitors is important to UKCRC. This policy will be kept under continual review, and changes may be made from time to time.

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Appendix

Control Sheet

Policy

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