DATA PROTECTION

The operators of this site take the protection of your personal data very seriously. We keep your personal data in confidence and treat them according to the legal data protection regulations as well as this Data Protection Declaration.

We will not process your personal data unless you have expressly consented to it in advance.

We will process your personal data if

- data processing is required for the fulfilment or conclusion of a contract which you are involved in,
- data processing is done because of a legal obligation imposed on us or is required in order to protect your vital interests or the vital interests of another individual, or
- the processing of your data is required in order to protect our legitimate prevailing interests or those of a third party.

In general, our website can be used without entering personal data. Where personal data is collected on our websites (for ex. name, address or e-mail addresses), this is always made on a voluntary basis, where possible. Such data will not be disseminated to third parties without your explicit consent.

Please note that data transmission over the internet (e.g. during communication via email) may have security vulnerabilities. Complete protection of data against access by third parties is not possible. All employees are bound to observe data privacy, among other things.

Server log files

Our website provider automatically collects and saves information in server log files which your browser automatically sends to us. This information includes the following:

- Browser type/version,
- Operating system in use,
- Referrer URL (the page you visited beforehand),
- The host name of the accessing computer (IP address), and
- The time of the server query.

This data is not combined with other data sources. We reserve the right to check this data subsequently in the event of indications of unlawful use.

Contact form

If you send us enquiries using the contact form, we will store your data from the enquiry form including the contact data specified there by you for processing the enquiry and in case follow-up questions arise. We will not disclose such information without your consent.

Cookies

So-called "Cookies" are used on our site. These facilitate and speed up the management of your visit to our website. Cookies can be disabled in the setting for most browsers.

Competent supervisory authority for data protection

The State Officer for Data Protection and Freedom of Information for Baden-Württemberg, PO box 10 29 32, 70025 Stuttgart // Königstraße 10a, 70173 Stuttgart Tel.:

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Email: poststelle@lfdi.bwl.de Website: http://www.baden-wuerttemberg.datenschutz.de

reCAPTCHA

In order to protect your enquiries via the internet form, we use the reCAPTCHA service provided by Google Inc. (Google). The query is used to differentiate between submissions made by people and improper submissions through automated machine processing.

The query includes sending of the IP address and other data required by Google for the reCAPTCHA service, where applicable, to Google. Your submission is communicated to Google for this purpose and continues to be used there. However, your IP address will be abbreviated by Google within European Union member states or other states which are part of the European Economic Area before it is transferred. Only in exceptional cases will the full IP address be transmitted to a Google server in the USA and shortened there. On behalf of the operator of this website, Google will use this information to analyse your usage of this service. The IP address transferred by your browser in the context of reCAPTCHA will not be combined with any other data from Google. Google's data protection provisions alloy for this data. Further information about Google's data protection guidelines can be found at: https://policies.google.com/privacy

Google web fonts

For the uniform representation of fonts, this website uses "web fonts", which are provided by Google. When accessing a website, your browser will load the necessary web fonts into your browser cache in order to display texts and fonts correctly. For this purpose, the browser you use must establish a connection to the Google servers. In this way, Google finds out that our website was accessed by your IP address. Google web fonts are used to ensure uniform and appealing representation of our online offers. This is a legitimate interest in the sense of Art. 6(1) point (f) GDPR. If your browser does not support web fonts, one of your computer's standard fonts will be used. For more information regarding Google web fonts, please refer to https://developers.google.com/fonts/faq and the Google data privacy policy: https://www.google.com/policies/privacy/.

Google Maps

This website uses the map service Google Maps via an API. The provider is Google Inc., 1600 Amphitheatre Parkway Mountain View, CA 94043, USA. Your IP address needs to be stored in order to be able to use the features of Google Maps. This information will usually be transferred to a Google server in the US and stored there. The provider of this website has no influence on this transfer of data.

Please see the privacy notice of Google for more information regarding the handling of user data: https://policies.google.com/privacy

Facebook plug-ins

Our websites integrate plug-ins from the social network Facebook, provider Facebook Inc., 1 Hacker Way, Menlo Park, California 94025 USA. You can recognise the Facebook plugins by the Facebook logo or the "Like button" on our website. An overview of the Facebook plug-ins is provided here: https://developers.facebook.com/docs/plugins/. When you visit our websites, the plug-in establishes a direct connection between your browser and the Facebook server. In this way, Facebook receives the information that you visited our website with your IP address. When you click the Facebook "Like button" while you are logged into your Facebook account, you can link the contents of our websites to your Facebook profile. If you do so, Facebook will be able to assign the visit of our websites to your user account. Please note that as the provider of the websites, we do not get access to the content of the transferred data or its use by Facebook. For more information, please refer to the Facebook privacy policy at https://en-gb.facebook.com/policy.php. If you do not want Facebook to be able to assign the visit to our websites to your Facebook user account, please log out from your Facebook user account.

SSL encryption

For security reasons and in order to protect the transmission of confidential content such as enquiries you send to us as website operator, this website uses SSL encryption. You can recognise an encrypted connection by the address line in the browser changing from "http://" to "https://" and by the lock symbol in the browser line. If SSL encryption is enabled, the data you transmit to us cannot generally be accessed by third parties.

Processing of data (customer and contract data)

We only collect, process, and use personal data insofar as they are required for the establishing of or drafting the content of or changes to a contract or legal relationship (inventory data). If personal data is processed, we will only store it for as long as is justified by the purpose of data processing. We cannot predict the concrete retention period because the execution and fulfilment of a contract of legal relationship, for example, may take varying amounts of time. Since subsequent claims may later result from a contract (e.g. in the event of defects), your data will be stored until all possible subsequent claims have expired.

We only collect, process, and use personal data regarding the use of our websites (usage data) where doing so is required in order to enable the user to use the service or to charge use of the service to the user.

<u>Data transfer in the event of conclusion of a contract for services and digital content</u>

We only communicate personal data to third parties where this is required within the context of contract execution, for example to the credit institute tasked with payment processing.

There will be no further transmission of data, or data will only be transmitted if you have explicitly consented to this. Transmission of your data to third parties without express consent, for advertising purposes for example, does not occur.

Your rights

You can request the following from us:

- Detailed information about the data we have stored for you and the purposes of processing for your data,
- Rectification of inaccurate data or the completion of incomplete data,
- Complete erasure of your personal data if its storage no longer serves and functional purpose or if you have withdrawn your consent for data processing provided there is no legal basis for the storage of your data (e.g. the execution of a contract which has already been concluded),
- Restriction of the processing of your data if the data is inaccurate, the processing of your data would be unlawful, you require your data for the enforcement of legal claims, or an objection on your part to data processing is being reviewed, and
- Transmission of your data to another individual specified by you, provided this is technically feasible.

The aforesaid rights only apply for individuals whose data is involved. In order to prevent any abuse of the aforesaid rights, we reserve the right to demand reliable proof of your identity.

Further information

The trust that you place in us is important to us. Therefore, we are happy to answer your questions regarding the processing of your personal data at any time. If you have any questions which are not answered by this Privacy Policy, or if you wish to receive more detailed information on a certain issue, please contact us at any time or get in touch with our

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