

Strategic Review of Irish-Scottish Relations – Privacy Notice

Why your information is being requested

The Irish Government and Scottish Government are carrying out a joint review of the Ireland-Scotland relationship and would like to hear your views on how we work well together, what we might improve on, and how key aspects of the relationship might be suitably developed over the next 5 years.

Our lawful basis for processing your personal information is Article 6(1)(e) of the General Data Protection Regulation¹. We collect and process this data for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest.

How will your data be stored?

The Government of Ireland, through the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and the Scottish Government are Joint Data Controllers and will store all the data collected from this survey confidentially on secure servers. The small amount of personal information collected will be covered by data protection legislation. The Joint Data Controllers will store the data for as long as the information is required for statistical analysis. Access to the data is limited to Scottish Government and Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade staff who require to use it for the purposes described below.

How will the information be used?

This questionnaire is one strand of a broader engagement exercise being conducted by the Government of Ireland and the Government of Scotland. The results of this questionnaire will:

- Inform the ongoing joint review of Ireland-Scotland relations
- Be incorporated into the joint report to be published in 2020
- Contribute to the ongoing dialogue between our two countries and in the first instance focus on 5 main areas of activity
 - Business and economic interests
 - Community and diaspora links
 - Cultural experience and exchange
 - Rural, coastal and island communities
 - Academic, educational and research links

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Scottish Government as Joint Data Controllers will have access to your responses and respondent information. Responses and personal contact information will not be published. Responses will be treated anonymously. Names of respondents will only be listed in review publications with respondents' consent.

¹ <https://gdpr-info.eu/art-6-gdpr/>

² Council Regulation (EC) No.1217/2009

Complaints

If you have any complaints about the way your data has been handled during this survey, these can be made to the Scottish Government Data Protection Officer Stuart Gardner via email at dataprotectionofficer@gov.scot.

If you feel we have been unable, or unwilling, to resolve your information rights concern, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO are the supervisory authority responsible for data protection in the UK.

For further information, including independent data protection advice and information in relation to your rights, you can contact the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner
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Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Thank you for taking the time to read these notes. Please get in touch if you have any further questions.